

NEW WESTMINSTER AND AGRICULTURE.

Far famed as is the Okanagan Valley, that of the Fraser is destined to eclipse that great fruit-growing district. Nowhere else in Canada are larger crops of roots, vegetables, hay, oats, or fruits obtainable; and this without the numerous difficulties of irrigation. New Westminster, with its weekly market, is the agricultural centre for a district approximately 100 miles long by 30 broad, whence is brought farm produce, large and small fruits, grain, poultry, cattle, horses, butter, eggs, and vegetables of a size and quality that can scarcely be equalled elsewhere.

The supply, however, is insufficient to meet the demands of the two cities of Westminster and Vancouver—the land is there but needs settlers and cultivation.

The climate is excellent, the sun is bright, rain is sufficient, and the winter lasts only about as many weeks as it continues for months in the Interior and Eastern Canada. The land throughout the entire valley is rich in humus, and, therefore, produces the richest hay grasses, the largest potatoes, the sleekest cattle, and the most delicious fruits; these ripen in the open, and the farm buildings bespeak both comfort and prosperity.