

## Agriculture

**I**T has been said that "comparisons are always odious," but to write of the Farming, Stock Growing and Home-Making conditions incident to the Prince George and Great Central Valley District of British Columbia, the narrative would truly be incomplete were not a parallel set up between it and other portions of the Great Dominion of Canada, and conclusions drawn.

As to Farming, the whole structure is based upon the fact that this part of the country has a well-balanced and dependable soil—perhaps as well-balanced in the matter of plant food nutriments (except in places where the humus has been somewhat burnt out of the soil) as can be found on the continent, and which is incontrovertibly proven by the fact that it is a



Oats Yield Bountifully in This District.

natural legume-producing soil, the wild pea-vine and vetch, as well as the red and white clovers—the first two growing indigenously and the latter two wedging in wherever open spaces permit throughout the whole region, the soil seemingly having been self-inoculated with the necessary nitrogen for their highest development.

Another fact of the highest importance, as showing that this region will never know the disastrous drought-producing seasons incident to other vast areas of the country East of the

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