

MR. ALEX URQUHART.

There is no more stable foundation for the prosperity of a country than that found in the resources of its tillable lands. As evidence of what has been accomplished along agricultural and dairying lines in that section of Comox District known as the Courtenay Valley, attention is drawn to the farm of Mr. Alex. Urquhart, photographs of which are here reproduced, and which is one of the finest and most complete agricultural areas on Vancouver Island.

The farm comprises 245 acres of the choicest alluvial deposit soil and is picturesquely situated on the Courtenay River and overlooking the placid waters of Comox Bay, and the Comox glacier away in the distance.

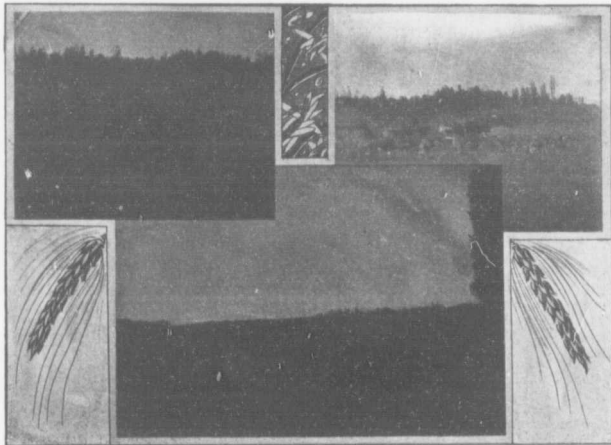
Mr. Urquhart landed in the valley in 1871 and being a gentleman of keen business instinct and farsightedness he later purchased a farm and became actively engaged in agricultural pursuits. He also engaged extensively in the dairying business, having in one year manufactured and placed on the market 17,000 pounds of butter. The dairy is equipped with all modern appliances for the manufacture of butter and is a model of cleanliness. In fact it has become a household word in many Vancouver Island and Mainland homes: "If it's Urquhart's, it's the best."

Mr. Urquhart is a man of broad gauge and apart from his farm operations he has

many other interests in the district and nothing pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the community fails to receive his support.

Together with his sons he operates a logging camp and saw-mill about three miles from Courtenay. The mill has a

capacity of 12,000 feet per day and is modernly equipped with machinery for the manufacture of lumber, including an 80 h.p. boiler, two engines with a combined capacity of 60 h.p., planer, edger, etc., and is in a position to supply lumber for building purposes at reasonable rates.



Scenes on the Farm of Alex Urquhart, Courtenay Valley.