PARKSVILLE--Englishman's River

Parksville, or Englishman's River as it is commonly called, is the centre of a farming district of considerable extent. Although the area under cultivation at the present time is not extensive there are many farms with from twenty to forty acres cleared from which the owners reap handsome returns. Fruit grows to perfection in this locality and poultry raising and dairying are branches of the industry that make farm life in the district pleasant and profitable. It is in this locality that the C. P. R. is clearing one thousand acres of land which when ready for the plough will be divided into blocks of forty acres and placed on the market. There is always a good local market for farm produce and at present the demand exceeds the supply. Logging camps are operating in the district and surveys for the extension of the E. & N. railway are being run through the settlement and during railway construction and upon completion of the railway. Parksville will be an important point. It is twenty-five miles from Nanaimo and is beautifully stituated overlooking the Gulf of Georgia.



A Typical Vancouver Island Farm.