

Oats Are Being Most Successfully Grown in Salmon River Country

From the Vancouver Daily Province, October 5th, 1912: EXPERIMENTAL FARM NEAR FORT GEORGE. Dominion Government Reported to Be Considering Establishment of Station.

Stating that the climate and soil conditions were ideal, Mr. J. H. Grisdale, Superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farms, made a prediction yesterday that British Columbia will eventually become the greatest dairying province in the Dominion. Mr. Grisdale arrived in Vancouver yesterday from Vancouver Island and in the afternoon visited the provincial farm at Coquitlam.

"The fertility of the soil and mildness of the climate out here are two important factors in the development of dairying," said Mr. Grisdale. "The pasturage season is much longer than in the East, often lasting ten months, and this means the farmer does not have to build expensive barns. The cost of maintaining dairy cattle here is much less than in the Eastern provinces. When the local market increases there will be a rapid development in dairying."

Mr. Grisdale said he was surprised at the excellence of the soil and agricultural possibilities in the northern part of the prov-