

manufacturers, therefore our attention should be devoted more to producing a higher grade of leaf than to increasing the acreage too rapidly.

As regards the cigar tobaccos of the Quebec districts, there is a good demand from the home trade, especially for binder leaf, and the demand for Quebec cigar fillers is also increasing. However, it can be said that Quebec has grown in 1919, and more especially in 1920, more tobacco than the Canadian trade can absorb annually. A certain quantity of Quebec cigar leaf could be exported to England, but the demand from that source would be limited to the comparatively small size of the domestic cigar industry in England. The British demand for cigar tobacco of both the binder and filler types, Canadian grown, may likely be rapidly satisfied, and it is better not to depend too much on the demand for cigar tobacco from the other side. In Quebec also it can be said that, as far at least as cigar tobaccos are concerned, more attention should be devoted to the improvement of the quality than to the extension of the acreage.

There is a large demand for pipe tobacco (Quebec grown) from the raw leaf trade. However, this demand is certainly more than satisfied by a crop as large as that of 1920, and as there is no outlet for that tobacco outside of Canada, it is better to consider at once what steps can be taken in order to avoid an overproduction which might reflect on the price and cause serious loss to the tobacco growers.

The Tobacco Division will furnish the tobacco growers on application all information in connection with the growing of the varieties of tobacco above referred to, such as growing seedlings, transplanting, cultivating the tobacco plant, harvesting, curing, etc.

Bulletins dealing with the various phases of tobacco culture in Canada can be obtained free on application to the Tobacco Division, Experimental Farm, Ottawa, or the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

In special cases further information will be supplied by correspondence.

A large amount of selected tobacco seed is distributed free to the tobacco growers every winter. The samples of seed distributed are accompanied by a special note mentioning the distances at which one should plant, the suitable soils, how to top, for what purpose the leaf might be used, etc.