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BRITISH COLUMBIA CANNED SALMON MARKET.

The principal feature of the market is the firm conviction that in the very near future France and England will be in the market for large lots of Pink and Chum salmon. These Governments have been giving serious consideration to the claims put forward by the packers of Canada that it is one of the most wholesome and also one of the cheapest foods available as a part of the regular ration of their army and navy establishments. The packers' efforts have been ably seconded by the officials of British Columbia, and the chances of its adoption are very bright at present.

The English market has pretty well cleaned up the stock of Sockeyes. Pinks are quiet, but are in small volume. Chums are moving steadily into consumption, and strong hopes are entertained that all will be cleaned up some little time before the new pack begins to arrive. Cohos, which are in very small volume, are moving slowly.

Considerable difficulty is being experienced in securing shipping facilities for the transportation of the large volume of orders from England, and it is hoped that some of the interned German freight vessels will be employed in the carrying trade, thus relieving the present congestion.

The fire situation in the Province generally remains safe, according to advices reaching the Minister of Lands. But few fires have been reported during the last three weeks, and these have been easily controlled and extinguished.

At the same time permits to burn have been taken advantage of widely, settlers continuing to show much activity in their clearing operations, especially in the Lillooet and Island districts.

From Kamloops much satisfaction on the part of the mills is recorded in consequence of the orders which are being received, while in the Nelson district it is reported that the British Canadian Lumber Company at Crescent Valley, and the Forest Mills at Cascade, expect to resume operations shortly.

The many friends of Mr. Andrew Jukes, Vancouver manager of the Imperial Bank, will be glad to know of his rapid recovery from the severe illness he underwent six weeks ago. He expects to be back in his office next month.

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