

Commercial Notes.

Nearly 20,000 cans of blueberries were put up at the Sheffield, N. B., factory this season.

McLean & McRobie, of Portage Plains, have sold eight thousand bushels of wheat to the Portage Milling Company for the sum of \$8,000. Their entire crop may foot up to 18,000 bushels.

Mackerel are reported as scarce as ever, and as only about two months more of the fishing season remains, it is apparent that dealers will go into winter with little or no stock. The catch is not above half what it was last year at even date, and there are none to speak of in first hands.

The statistical position of salmon is strong, and as a good demand prevails for the Columbia River and Alaska packs prices have a very firm support, all the more because of the scarcity and high prices of lobster, mackerel, etc. The available supply of Alaska salmon is very light, and dealers are manifesting considerable interest in the result of the season's pack, which cannot be ascertained for some little time yet. Prices remain as before.

Calgary Tribune: -Threshing is now becoming pretty general throughout the country and the yield is proving even better than was expected. Forty to fifty bushels of oats to the acre by measurement is quite common and the grain is so heavy and well filled that at least a third more may be counted. C. Grief has been threshing and his oats are going about 80 bushels to the acre and his wheat has yielded 50 bushels.

The pack of tomatoes, says a Montreal exchange, will undoubtedly be large, some dealers estimating it at nearly double that of last year, when about 18,000 cases were turned out. Some heavy contracts have been made by the canners at 25c per bushel, and some big purchases have since transpired at 15c per bushel, several lots having been picked up as low as 12½c. A few round lots of 50 to 1,500 cases have been sold at 95 to \$1, one lot of 1,000 cases selling at \$1, 3 per cent. off 30 days.

Unless the yellow-fever plague in the South shall be speedily subdued there will be very few Florida oranges in the market this winter. The fever has had such a terrifying effect on the people that enough help cannot be secured to gather the enormous crop, and the oranges are rotting on the ground. As a matter of fact the fruit could not be shipped North now, even if the crop were properly gathered, for the quarantine restrictions are so rigid. No Florida oranges will be received so long as the Fruit Exchange at Jacksonville is closed, and that will not be open until the fever shall have been stamped out.

Though the soil of Virginia grows the best tobacco leaf in the world, it does not all grow equal qualities. The production even of adjoining countries is often quite different, the one producing leaf which at once deteriorates if grown in the other. The leaf of the "Myrtle Navy" is the product of the choice sections of the State, which, through some combination of local influence, produce a better quality than any others. This is shown by its always commanding a higher price than any other smoking leaf.



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17 50	91	Rapid City ...	9 45
18 30 110 30 121 40	115 138 155	Snoal Lake ... Birtle ... Binscarth ...	9 20 18 20 6 20
23 00	160	Russell ...	5 00
23 15 ARRIVE	180	Langenburg ...	4 45 LEAVE

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