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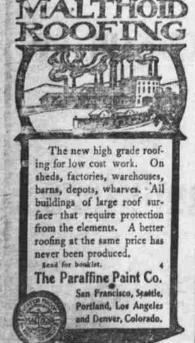
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To those who enjoy statistics or are especially interested in Alaska fishing affairs the following figures from the annual report of Special Agent Howard McKutchen on the salmon industry of Alaska for the year 1902 may be interesting: The aggregate number of salmon of all varieties taken is 36,265,656. separated as follows: King, 207,676; red, 22,925,362; silver, 627,651; humpbacks and dog, 12,504,367. The inferior grades represent about 36 percent of the whole, or something more than one-third. It is a smaller proportion than was shown last year. The total number of hands employed at the several fisheries was 13,822, or 2182 more than last year. This respectable army of workers was made up of 7567 whites 5276 Chinamen and Japs and 2679 natives. The total market value of the season's nack is \$8,667,673, as against \$6,926,187 last year, an increase of \$1 .-741,506, or upward of 25 percent. The aggregate aggregate amount pald in in the states of California, Oregon wages was \$4,060,682, approximately Nevada and Washington Territory, one-half of the sum total of gross receipts. The cutlay for tin plate was \$1,383,680, the Alaska Packers having of Seaside, County of Clatsop, State paid out \$640,000 and the Pacific Pack- of Oregon, has this day had in this ing and Navigation company \$323,725 of



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