

Cabbage Bringing High Prices

IT WILL be of interest to those growing cabbage for the early market to know that prices have opened up considerably higher than in the past few years. Florida cabbage is already on the market, and that from California, Louisiana and Texas is also finding its way to market. In early January the Wakefield variety of cabbage from Florida began selling at Baltimore and Philadelphia at from \$3.25 to \$3.50 per one-and-one-half bushel hampers. The market weakened slightly about the middle of the month, but the latter part of the month, went up again. The New York market reached the high notch of \$3.75 at the end of the month.

In Detroit and Memphis and some other places, Texas cabbage was quoted about the middle of January at \$7 to \$7.50 per crate of 100 pounds. California cabbage was bringing about the middle of January around \$6 per crate.

These prices are considerably higher than during the past years, and should be encouraging to those who have cabbage to put on the market now or who will have them in the near future. Last year, the Florida Wakefield cabbage sold during December and January at around \$1.50 to \$2 per hamper and this year they sold during January, as stated above, at \$3.25 to \$3.50 and even as high as \$3.75.

These high prices are due to several things among them being the very small crop that was put in storage in the North and East last fall. This indicates that prices for cabbage all during the winter and early spring this year will probably be good and should be encouraging to those who have cabbage now or who are still setting the plants. L. A. NIVEN.

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If you think that you can establish these elements of fraud as stated above, I would advise that you consult a reliable attorney with the view of instituting suit against the buyer of the cotton for the purpose of setting aside the contract on the ground of fraud. It may be that by waiting too long you have now lost your rights to rescind the contract on the ground of fraud and then notifying the buyer and offering to return the purchase price which you received. When a person is defrauded in a contract he is required to rescind the contract or offer to do so as soon as he discovers the fraud, or within a reasonable time thereafter. — Answered for The Progressive Farmer by Maj. L. P. McLendon.

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