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a matter of mutual interest.
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BLUEBERRIES ABOUT AN INCH IN SIZE

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Native Berry of Northern Min-
nesota May Be
Tamed.

That the blueberry may be domesti-
cated seems now to be established by
a large series of experiments carried
on by the federal government. Not
only can the blueberry, as it now ex-
ists, be raised commercially in gar-
dens and under ordinary agricultural
conditions, but a new blueberry, per-
haps an inch in diameter, is not only
a dream but a real possibility.

Experimentation has been under
way, not only in Northern Minnesota,
particularly at Cloquet, and in Michi-
gan, but in New Jersey at the agri-
cultural experiment station at Whites-
bog about 25,000 hybrids have been
fructified. Many of them have pro-
duced berries three-quarters of an
inch or more in diameter and these
large berried bushes have been select-
ed for propagation. In October of
1922 nearly a thousand bushels of
blueberries were picked at this bog.

At this same time has come an an-
nouncement of an important project
to be undertaken in the state of Michi-
gan, where some large agricultural
interests have projected great acre-
ages to develop the blueberry crop.

