

OATS. Next to hay, the most valuable field crop, worth thirty-five to forty millions annually. Write for pamphlet on Dairying to Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

PEAS. In 1913, 177,303 acres of peas were grown, yielding an average of 17.5 bushels. Ontario peas are considered the best in the world.

FRUIT GROWING. The total orchard acreage in 1912 was 204,675 acres; small fruits, 334,795 acres; vineyards, 11,634 acres. The bulk of the fruit is consumed by local consumption. The Western markets for Ontario tender fruits are of growing importance. Peaches, apples and pears are exported to Great Britain. An experimental fruit farm has been established in the Niagara District, one object being to develop varieties suitable for long shipment. Over 50 co-operative Fruit Growers' Associations do a good work in producing, packing and marketing fruits. The industry is rapidly developing. For descriptions and prices of fruit lands see under "Agric. and Fruit Districts." Write to Department of Agriculture, Toronto, for pamphlet on fruit growing, list of associations, and special bulletins on apples, grapes, peaches, etc.

APPLES. According to the Dominion Census of 1911, there were in Ontario 7,766,257 apple trees, with a total production of 6,305,462 bushels of fruit. These figures are low, as the year 1910 was one of comparative failure of the apple fruit. The province produces 60% of the total crop of apples in Canada. The bulk of the crop is sold within the Province. During the past 10 years Ontario has exported more apples to Great Britain than any other province or state on the continent. The Western Provinces take annually about 1,000,000 bushels. This market is growing. The principal commercial apples in order of ripening are: Duchess, Wealthy, Snow, Rihston-pippin, McIntosh, King, Greening, Baldwin, Golden Russett, Spy.

GRAPES. The counties Lincoln, Wentworth and Welland produce 95% of grapes grown. In these counties there were, in 1913, 8,889 acres of vineyard. The total output in 1913 was 36,000 short tons. The vine begins to bear at four years, and continues a lifetime. A grower in Niagara District estimates maintenance and profit per acre as follows: Cost of bringing into bearing, \$75; annual outlay when bearing (pruning and tying, cultivation, spraying three times, packing and packages), \$58.50. Average yield 3 tons, or 700 baskets, at average price, 15c. —\$112.50. Net returns, \$54. Markets, Toronto, Ham-

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