apple market. Large evaporators located in extensive apple-producing regions, by appropriating a vast amount of fruit that would otherwise be forced upon the market, make room for the product of thousands of orchards.

The tendency of this revolution in apple drying is to make the production of this fruit a reliable business. We think that farmers who have come to the conclusion that apple growing is unprofitable need no longer fear to set out apple trees. In average seasons the fruit will always be in demand, and in years of over-production, which have heretofore been a dread, it will command a price that will repay harvesting.—The Husbandman.

For years we have been shipping enormous quantities of apples to Europe, and this exportation is steadily increasing, and will continue to increase until the trade shall become of national importance.

In dried fruits, such as peaches and apples, the exportation has already acquired large proportions, and in ten years more it will go on multiplying in extent until fruit-raising will become a far greater and more profitable branch of industry than at present. With such a market open to us we can never grow an over-abundance of apples and peaches; while these, in addition to cranberries, in their natural condition, ought to be, and no doubt will be, produced in sufficient quantities to meet any demand. The very cheapness that we can send them abroad for will open for us an unlimited market for all with which we can supply it.—Germantown Telegraph.

Note.—Every word of this extract (barring the peaches) is applicable to Nova Scotia.—Comp.

Apples turn off 5 to  $5\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. of dried fruit to the bushel of 50 lbs. Pears turn off about 7 lbs. per bushel, and plums yield about  $12\frac{1}{2}$  lbs to the bushel.

## APPLES AND HEALTH.

From the earliest ages apples have been in use for the table as a dessert. The historian Pliny tells us that the Romans cultivated twenty-two varieties of the apple. In these later days we probably possess over two thousand. As an article of food they rank with the potato, and on account of the variety of ways in which they

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