

LIVERPOOL.

SIR,—As the apple season is approaching, we state on good authority that the crops of the United Kingdom and Continent are fully up to the average, but as these growths of fruit cannot compete with yours, we recommend shipping fine large stock, which will be wanted, and for same, anticipate good prices being returned. We would advise particular attention being paid to the quality, as low grades will be less required than usual.

L. W. WILLIAMS & Co.

FRUIT CROPS IN ESSEX COUNTY.

SIR,—Since I reported to you in June the fruit prospect for this district, there have been some changes taken place, for instance, the grape crop prospect has advanced to 80% of a full crop, peaches will yield 90%, pears about 60%, plums very light, not over 20%, apples have gone back to 25%, owing largely to the amount that have fallen from the trees. Greenings and Baldwins will likely give the largest returns. It is reported from good authority that Mr. E. Tyhurst, of South Essex, was offered \$9000 for his peach crop of 75 acres or 18000 trees. It has been dry in this district for the last month, and the weather has been unusually warm, the thermometer registering as high as 98° one day, and 96° the next.

N. J. CLINTON, *Windsor*.

ORLEANS PLUM.

SIR,—I send you samples of a plum for name. I was told some years ago that they were Purple Orleans, but I cannot find it mentioned in any catalogue. The tree is hardy and vigorous, the foliage dark green, and a sure cropper every year. We are going to set out an orchard of plums this fall, and would like to set more of this kind if we can get them.

WATSON MCMONIES, *Waterdown*.

This plum is without doubt the Orleans which has a large number of synonyms, as Red Orleans, Old Orleans, etc. It is a popular English market variety, sweet, yellowish flesh and free stone, and ripening about the middle of August.

APPLE GROWING ABOUT MONTREAL.

SIR,—The apple crop is so plentiful in this section, especially Fameuse, that I am intending to send forty or fifty barrels to the Old Country. We can pack and put them on board ship the same day. From past experience good Fameuse took well in Scotland. At present apples are a drug in our markets, being sold at \$1.00 and \$1.25 a barrel.

The planting of the Duchess of Oldenburg in this section has been overdone; one of my neighbors has set out five hundred this spring.

R. BRODIE, *St. Henri, P.Q.*

CROPS IN LAMBTON.

SIR,—I have just finished handling my berry crop which has been a bountiful one, five and a half acres of strawberries giving me in return \$900. The raspberries, which were never so plentiful, made good returns, while the small fruits were quite up to the average in quantity and price. The dry weather and robins have cut short the blackberry crop in this locality. Peaches, where grown, are plentiful.

A. HILL, *Wyoming*.