

apple crop interferes very little with the consumption of American and Canadian fruit.

The prospects for the coming season are very good, for not only is our own crop short, but the unprecedentedly hot weather has hurried all fruit forward, and by the time American and Canadian apples arrive, there will be little, if anything, to compete with them. The latest reports from the Continent point to a similar state of things prevailing there.

The total imports into Great Britain during the past season, from United States, Canada, and Nova Scotia, were as under :

Liverpool, .. .. .	438,354	Barrels.
Other Ports, .. .. .	349,646	"
Totals .. .. .	<u>788,000</u>	"
Against same period 1894-95 ..	1,438,200	Barrels.
" " " 1893-94 ..	175,000	"
" " " 1892-93 ..	1,204,000	"

#### Reports of the British Apple Crop :

	Over average.	Average.	Under average.	
This year.....	75	152	165	Reports.
Against last year.....	160	161	50	"
" 1894.....	2	44	278	"

### BEST SIX VARIETIES OF PEACHES.

Mr. W. W. Hillborn, our experimenter in peaches and strawberries at Leamington, Ont., has been interviewed by the representative of the R. N. Y.

In reply to questions about varieties, he said :—

"Of course, we are experimenting with all the varieties we can get hold of, to find out which is the most suitable for our climate and location. Our idea is to get varieties that will give us a continuous crop during the whole season, and there are a great many varieties that come in together. To get the best of each, we must plant all of them and then select. In that way we can get a continuous crop from the earliest to the latest. I like the Alexander for the first ripening; then Hale's Early, Early Michigan and Lemon. The yellow peaches come in about that time, and, of course, when the yellow ones come, we have no market for the white or clingstones. Early St. John is the first; then Early Comfort and Barnard's Early. An excellent one that we have had a few years in Canada, is the Fitzgerald, an improvement on the Early Parker. Then Elberta comes in soon after that, followed by Hill's Chili, Longhurst and late Crawford. The Lemon, I believe to be the best late peach we have. We also have the Smock and the Salway."

"What about the Crosby?"