

A good crop of sets yields from three hundred to four hundred bushels per acre.

In Ontario, and, in fact, Canada, the onion set district is practically confined to Huron County, with the village of Hensall the chief centre. The methods used here differ somewhat from those in the Chicago district. The contractors sell the seed to the grower of the sets and buy the sets from the growers in the fall, the price paid this year being four cents per pound. The contractor has his own seed drills and sows the seed for the grower. The method of harvesting is somewhat different also, three rows being pulled and placed in a windrow (no tops removed from the bulb) and left to dry in the sun until such time as the top will rub off when going through the cleaning machine.



Harvesting Onion Sets.

For winter storage they are placed in trays and stored in much the same manner as previously described.

The standard weight for onion sets is forty pounds per bushel in the fall and thirty-two pounds per bushel in the spring, the shrinkage being about twenty per cent.

The estimated onion set production for Ontario is about 300,000 pounds, an increase of over fifty per cent. in the past five years. The Canadian market is from coast to coast, onion sets having been shipped from Hensall to the Yukon.

ONION PRODUCTION IN ONTARIO.

The onion markets of Canada are supplied as follows: In the month of April, Egyptian onions make their appearance and large quantities of