

next few years easily absorb any increase there will be of live hogs in the province. For the production of bacon the Yorkshire hog is considered best, though the Tamworth and Berkshire are also suitable. Pork factories are established at Toronto, Hamilton, Ingersoll, Stratford, Peterboro and Ottawa. From 1½ to 2 million hogs are annually slaughtered in the province. The sales of hogs from the Ontario farms increased from \$10,080,000 in 1897 to \$26,656,149 in 1912. The lumber companies use a large quantity of mess or fat pork, which is largely exported from the United States.

MAPLE SUGAR AND SYRUP. The average annual sugar output of Canada was about 19,600,000 lbs. during the decade 1901-1911; of this, Ontario contributed 5,000,000 lbs. The average selling price has been about 10 cents per lb. Canada supplies three-sevenths of the world's output. The trees are generally tapped in the latter part of March and April. Moderately warm days followed by freezing nights are ideal conditions to promote flow. Seasons vary, but the cost of fitting up a modern sugar camp is a paying investment even at low market prices. For some time past the trade has been seriously interfered with by adulterated imitations. For instructions, etc., write for Bulletin No. 1 B. to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

POULTRY. The farmers of the province are each year realizing more and more the large profits that may be made from a flock of poultry. In 1912, 5,501,913 birds were marketed for \$3,208,860. A large number of poultry associations have been organized throughout the province for the purpose of raising the standard of poultry breeding. Ontario breeders have for many years been winning a large number of the principal prizes at the leading American Shows. At the Provincial Winter Fair held at Guelph, Ontario, each December, there is one of the greatest annual poultry shows on the continent. Last year there were over 5,000 entries. Large quantities of poultry and eggs are shipped to the markets of Great Britain. Egg circles have been established in some districts for the stimulation of production and efficient handling. By this means the farmer has been enabled to secure from 2c. to 6c. per dozen more for his eggs.

ROOTS AND VEGETABLES. About 350,000 acres are devoted to root crops. The production of early vegetables under glass is increasing, especially near Toronto, Hamilton and in Essex County. Large tracts of market lands