

men have gone into garden truck. One farm, not more than ten acres of which are in garden, brings to its owner, with early and late vegetables of all kinds, returns of about \$4,000 per year and this output is not retailed, but shipped to dealers.

Potato raising as a specialty, which somewhat variable in profits from year to year, gives on an average good returns.

A good crop of potatoes is 300 bushels per acre—the average last year for the province was 179 bushels—the price is seldom below 30c. per bushel from the field. Last year it was up to from 50c. to 60c. from the field and out of storage later on went to 90c. Under good management the cost of growing and harvesting an acre of potatoes need not exceed \$50. The high quality of New Brunswick potatoes is recognized in every market which they reach. In the City of Toronto they usually command a price enough above the average market price to pay the freight thence from New Brunswick. New Brunswick potatoes go to all the large cities of Canada, even as far west as Vancouver. They also command a large share of the Cuban trade and when the United States crop is short, go in considerable quantities to New York and Boston. They are also much sought after for seed in Ontario and in the Southern States.

It is, however, in mixed farming with good live stock that the surest returns are obtained. The province now imports annually between four and five million dollars' worth of farm products, which include oats, bran, middlings, etc., beef, mutton, pork, cheese, butter, poultry and eggs, all of which can be produced to advantage in the province.

For sheep raising, whether as a branch of mixed farming or as a specialty, the province is especially adapted. Mr. W. T. Ritch, one of the special commissioners employed by the late Dominion Government to investigate the sheep raising industry of Canada and its possibilities