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DRIED AND PACKAGED FRUIT

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Deputy Minister,
Inland Revenue.

SIR,—I beg to hand you a report dealing with 176 samples collected by our inspectors during June, July and August of this year as Dried and Packaged Fruit. The collection is made up as follows:—

	Samples.
Raisins.	53
Currants.	26
Prunes.	33
Figs.	32
Dates.	10
Apples.	11
Apricots.	6
Peaches.	3
Pears.	1
Canned apples by mistake.	1
Total.	176

Our last systematic inspection of Dried and Packaged Fruit was made in April and May of 1910, and is published as Bulletin No. 212.

That report dealt more particularly with Packaged Fruit; and most of the samples were sold in Cartons ostensibly holding one pound weight of fruit; and it was found that a very large proportion of the samples obtained approximated that weight.

In the present case 83 samples were obtained from broken bulk packages; so that only 92 samples of Packaged Fruit are reported.

Packaged figs are, as a rule, put up in small cartons or boxes, containing from 6 to 12 ounces net weight.

Other packaged fruits are usually put up in nominal one pound cartons; and the great majority of these packages examined, are found to contain about 15 ounces net.