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iiton, and other neighhoring cities; Western and Eastern Provinces. Wine manufacture absorbs about ½ of crop. The hottling of unfermented grape juice has been started on a large scale. Good grape land costs from \$80 to \$125 per acre. See under Wine. Write to Department of Agriculture; Toronto, for Bulletin, Grape Growing in Ontario.

PEACHES. Trees hegin to hear in four years and should last 15 years. An expert peach grower estimates cost of maintenance and profit per acre as follows: Spraying, manuring, pruning and cultivation, \$28; picking, packing and packages, \$53; hauling to station, say \$5; total cost, \$86. Returns, 700 haskets (11 quarts), at 50c.-\$350. Net return, \$264. The average orchard will yield less than the above figures. The hest varieties are the Yellow St. John, Crawford, Elherta and New Pacific. Peachtrees 100 to the acre produce fruit when 4 years oid and yield profitahly till about the 15th year. In 1913, 4,392 cases were exported to Great Britain.

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grown, Pears are exported to Great Britain. PLUMS. The Burhank, Bradshaw, Monarch and Anjou are the leading varieties. The average net profit is \$40 to \$75 per acre.

- OTHER FRUITS. Cherries, strawherries, raspherries, hlackherries, gooseherries and currants yield from \$60 or \$100 up to \$500 an acre in some cases. If the tree is well covered in winter, figs will ripen in the Niagara District. Melons and citrons do well in Southern Ontario.
- GRAIN CROPS. In 1913 the total yield, and average yield per acre hy hushels, as shown hy threshers' measures, Dominion Returns, was as follows: Spring wheat, 2,182,-000 hushels from 111,000 acres, average 19.66; winter wheat, 17,669,000 from 739,000 acres, average 23.91; oats, 105,159,000 from 2,814,000 acres, average 37.37; harley, 14,589,000 from 485,000 acres, average 30.08; rye, 1,567,000 from 85,000 acres, average 18.43; huckwheat, 3,688,000 from 193,000 acres, average 18.43; huckwheat, 3,688,000 from 193,000 acres, average 19.11; peas, 3,431,000 from 190,000 acres, average 18.06; heans, 670,-000 from 40,000 acres, average 16.74. Average yield in hushels per acre in the last 31 years: Spring wheat, 16.0; winter wheat, 21; oats, 35.6; harley, 27.8; rye, 16.4; huckwheat, 20.7; peas, 19.2; heans, 17.2.
- LIVE STOCK. The value of the live stock on the farms has increased hy over \$80,000,000 in the past ten years. The value of live stock killed and sold increased from \$34,450,583 in 1898, to \$84,982,339 in 1912.