

Scores of Ontario farmers had limited quantities of spring wheat grown in 1917 which they offered for sale. It was only in exceptional cases, however, where individual farmers had more than two or three hundred bushels to spare. Practically all of this seed has been sold already. It will be necessary, therefore, to secure further supplies of seed wheat, and particularly of the Marquis variety, from the Western Provinces.

#### WHERE TO GET YOUR SEED.

In view of the fact that Marquis variety is specially recommended for general cultivation in Ontario at the present time, and in view of the fact that there is no supply of seed available locally, the Ontario Department of Agriculture has arranged to bring in 50,000 bushels, and will purchase more if found necessary, from Western Canada. This grain was purchased under the supervision of the Seed Commissioner of the Federal Department of Agriculture, the most suitable grain offering at various elevators being selected. It has been recleaned, and the supply for Ontario is put up in two-bushel bags. It is being brought to Ontario in carload lots, and placed at the following distribution points: Hamilton, Woodstock, St. Mary's, London, Chatham, Toronto, Brampton, Newmarket, Barrie, Orillia, Brantford, Simcoe, Welland, Orangeville, Alliston, Listowel, Durham, Palgrave, Stouffville, Lindsay, Oshawa, Peterborough, Port Perry, Port Hope, Kemptville.

Carload lots may be shipped direct to other points on order.

Purchases may be made at any of the following places:—

Warehouse at distributing point.

Offices of the District Representatives.

Markets Branch, Department of Agriculture, Toronto.

In all cases, without exception, *cash must accompany order*. The price is \$2.74 per bushel. This price simply covers the original cost of the grain, cost of cleaning, bagging and transportation. It does not cover any profit. In Ontario the grain men at distributing points have offered the use of their warehouses, free of charge, in order to facilitate the distribution at the lowest possible price.

#### AS TO THE FUTURE MARKET.

Aside from the strong patriotic appeal on behalf of wheat, attention may be directed to the market outlook. For the 1918 wheat crop in the United States a minimum price of \$2.00 per bushel has been fixed by law. And the President has recommended that this be increased to \$2.28 per bushel. While, therefore, no fixed price has yet been set in Canada, the action taken across the line practically stabilizes prices on the continent. This fact may well be kept in mind in making comparisons with other grain crops, which are free to fluctuate much more freely, regardless of their present quotations.

Put in a few acres of spring wheat.

For fuller information the reader is referred to Bulletin No. 261 on "Wheat and Rye," copies of which may be obtained from the Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.