

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. Outside of egg circles the growing tendency of dealers is to buy eggs on a quality basis.

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 near the large cities have been taken up lately for city lots and the present growers cannot fill the demand. Around Toronto there are over 1,000 vegetable gardens, averaging 7 to 8 acres each.

DRIED VEGETABLES. This industry has been greatly stimulated by the war. R. J. Graham Co., Belleville, have been handling contracts for the British and French War Offices, particularly in dried potatoes and Julienne (mixed dried vegetables). This is said to be the largest establishment of the kind on the continent.

Beans. Wax (butter) beans are commonly grown for local markets. Pole (French) beans do not thrive, owing to the climate. Field beans are grown in all countries, the greatest acreages are in Kent, Huron, Elgin, Welland, Middlesex and Norfolk Counties. The varieties grown are white- and red-shelled beans. Soya beans have not been extensively grown.

Celery. The demand is practically unlimited. The largest celery-growing district is at Thedford (Lambton Co.) where over 70 acres are grown every year.

Lettuce is a most popular and extensively-grown crop.

Mangolds. Of all the root crops, mangolds show the largest increase in the past 30 years. The market value of the crop is now about 2½ million dollars.

Onions. The total acreage planted is over 1,000 acres. Average yield about 450 bushels per acre, chiefly the yellow variety, although large quantities of red are grown in Eastern Ontario. Leamington district is noted for onions. Around Hensall many acres are planted in onion sets which are shipped to all parts of Canada. Importations from Egypt, Bermuda and Spain