

BULLETINS AND REPORTS.

The Department has issued the following number of bulletins during the past three and a half years:

1891	217,250	copies.
1892	511,500	"
1893	471,500	"
1894 (to June 1st)	236,850	"
	1,436,600	"

These deal with a variety of subjects, containing the results of experiments in breeding and feeding, and the cultivation of crops, information on the dairy and fruit industries, the destruction of noxious pests, the treatment of diseases, the building of roads and various other topics.

The Department also prints and distributes the Reports of the various Associations that come under its supervision and have for their object the promotion of Agriculture in its several branches. These are allowed an annual grant from the public funds in order that they may successfully carry on the work they have in hand. They are as follows:

Fruit Growers' Association.....	\$1,800
Entomological Society.....	1,000
Dairymen's Associations	5,500
Agriculture and Arts Association.....	4,600
Sheep Breeders' Association.....	850
Swine Breeders' Association.....	700
Experimental Union.....	700
Creameries' Association.....	2,000
Poultry Associations.....	1,300
Bee-Keepers' Association.....	1,100
	19,550

BUREAU OF INDUSTRIES.

The Bureau of Industries is the statistical branch of the Department. It publishes a report upon the quantities of farm products, their market values, the values of farms, a labor report, and a report dealing with loan companies, chattel mortgages, etc. The statistical data for these reports is gathered and compiled in the most thorough and systematic manner. After four years of work the Municipal Report, dealing with municipal finances, is now ready for distribution.

In 1893 the Department issued sixteen reports in all, aggregating nearly 2,000 pages of printed matter, and a total of 164,940 copies were distributed. The task of printing these publications and distributing them through the mail to members of Farmers' Institutes and others is a very heavy one.

OTHER MEANS.

The other educative means employed are (1) Farmers' Institutes, (2) Agricultural Societies, (3) The Ontario Agricultural College.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

This institution was practically the creation of the Government, and its object is to enable farmers to meet together and discuss their work. There are 85 Institutes in the Province, each receiving an annual grant of \$25. For the January meetings of the present year 31 speakers were provided by the Department, who addressed meetings at 154 different points in Ontario.