

breeds, with the milking Shorthorns gaining in prominence in some sections of the Province.

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE. The province supports 2 dairy schools, one at Kingston and one at Guelph, where cheese and butter-makers receive a thorough training in the theory and practice of butter and cheese making. Thirty-one instructors are employed to visit the factories and creameries throughout the season of manufacture and instruct the makers in up-to-date methods. A high standard of quality and uniformity has thus been established in Ontario cheese, and Ontario butter has commanded high prices in the home markets.

Butter. While a considerable quantity of butter is manufactured on the farm, the number of creameries, especially in the large centres of population is rapidly increasing. Over 25,000,000 pounds of butter valued at \$10,000,000 were manufactured in Ontario by 172 creameries, during 1917.

Cheese. Ontario produces more than half the cheese manufactured in Canada, and exports in large quantities to Great Britain. The output of 980 Ontario cheese factories for 1917 was 120,000,000 lbs., valued at \$25,000,000.

Condensed Milk. There are 8 factories manufacturing condensed milk.

POWDERED MILK. This industry is advancing in Western Ontario. There are now 4 factories which have absorbed several cheese factories.

FARM VALUES.

	1901	1916
Land.....	\$585,354,294	\$794,676,866
Buildings.....	226,575,228	357,313,850
Implements.....	59,897,513	98,020,295
Live Stock.....	129,496,261	263,869,539
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FLAX. In 1915, Ontario had 4,000 acres in flax; in 1916, 5,200; in 1917, 7,372; in 1918, 15,925 acres. Following the visit of Commissioners from the War Office in 1918 to procure flax for the British aeroplanes the Provincial Government acquired idle land near Toronto to cultivate flax for demonstration purposes.

Linseed Oil. There are large oil mills in Western Ontario, the flax seed being obtained from the Prairie Provinces. The quantity of oil produced varies from 15,000 to 20,000 barrels yearly, all marketed in the Dominion.