

\$49,820.96, and there were expenditures for establishing fumigating stations, distributing bulletins, taking a census of cows, sending a commission to Europe to make investigations into the swine industry, experimenting in cold storage, and numerous other services all calculated to benefit the farming industry.

#### **Ontario Spends Nearly a Million.**

The Province of Ontario, which has probably the best machinery of any of the nine provinces for promoting helpful work among the farmers, and which incidentally spends far more than any of them to achieve this purpose, expended, in 1910, the sum of \$748,169.33. In this total, the largest item was \$236,568.85, the cost of maintaining the Ontario Agricultural College and Macdonald Institute for the year. Agricultural and horticultural societies were assisted to the extent of \$122,721.31; the dairy branch took \$57,795.58; the fruit branch \$41,839.83; the live stock branch \$31,770.10. Nearly \$15,000 was spent on reports and bulletins and \$37,592.19 went to the staff of district representatives and teachers of agriculture. Deducting a departmental revenue of \$113,457.09, the net expenditure of the province was \$634,712.24. This year the estimates call for an expenditure of \$837,907.

#### **Help Given in French Canada.**

The sister province of Quebec spent, during the fiscal year 1909-1910, the sum of \$294,850.01 under similar headings. It also provided, through its Department of Agriculture, \$60,000 for the improvement of rural roads. It gave \$146,700.00 to various agricultural societies, farmers' clubs, associations, etc. It handed \$30,000 to butter and cheese syndicates; expended \$17,000 for the encouragement of the dairy industry and \$5,000 for the benefit of the fruit industry; it paid out \$8,000 for a series of lectures on agriculture and provided \$30,000 for the maintenance of agricultural schools. For the coming year the Legislature has voted \$322,600 for the work of the department, with \$250,000 for improving rural roads.

#### **Farming Down by the Sea.**

Turning now to the Maritime Provinces, where agriculture does not bulk quite so large, Nova Scotia is found to invest approximately \$75,000 a year in its agricultural interests. Of this \$30,000 goes to the Agricultural College and Experimental Farm at Truro; \$15,000 is paid out annually in assistance to agricultural exhibitions, \$10,000 to agricultural societies and the balance is expended on agricultural meetings and the general work of the department.