Farm stock.

135. The total area under cultivation was 46,996 acres, and the numbers of farm stock were as follow:—Cows, 19,088 ; horses, 5,536 ; sheep, 40,326 ; swine, 21,555 ; and goats, 7,934

Fishing industry.

136. The principal industry is fishing, principally cod and seal, and 60,419 persons, being 30·61 per cent. of the population, were engaged in it, the total number of vessels and boats employed being 25,225. In the Bank fishery for cod 60 vessels, aggregating 2,507 tons and employing 1,093 persons were engaged, and in seal fishing there were 21 steam vessels of 5,877 tons and employing 4,778 men. The number of seals caught was 365,931.

Education.

137. In 1885, there were 204 Roman Catholic schools, 174 Church of England, 107 Methodist and 7 others, making a total of 492, at which the attendance was 27,322. The Government grant amounted to $4.17 per head of attending scholars, and the proportion of denominational population attending school was : Church of England, 15·25 per cent. ; Methodist, 13·63 per cent. ; Roman Catholic, 13·01 per cent. ; other denominations, 10·05 per cent.

Area of Canada.

138. The area of Canada is estimated to contain 3,610,257 square miles. It is the largest of all the British possessions, embracing very nearly one-half of the whole Empire. The continent of Australia is the next largest, having an area of 2,944,628 square miles, and the area of Tasmania and New Zealand added to this, makes the total area of the Australasian Colonies 3,075,030, or 535,227 square miles less than that of Canada. The total area of the British Empire is 7,999,618 square miles. The combined area, therefore, of Canada and the Australasian Colonies comprises very nearly seven-eighths of the whole Empire.

Area of Europe.

139. The area of the whole continent of Europe is