

143. Only those brought into personal contact with the Indians can understand the ignorance, superstition and intolerable laziness that have to be overcome before the Indian can be persuaded to take genuine interest in and persevere in the simplest farming operations; but that the efforts of the Government are meeting with some success is shown by the following comparative table of Indian farming transactions in 1881 and 1892 :—

Land cultivated by the Indians, 1892

STATEMENT OF THE NUMBER OF ACRES CULTIVATED AND THE QUANTITY OF PRODUCE RAISED BY INDIANS IN CANADA IN 1892 AND 1881.

Provinces.	Resident Indian Population.	Acres of Land Cultivated	Acres of Land newly Broken.	Total No. of Imple-ments.	Total No. of Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Pigs.
Ontario	17,218	75,761	1,134	9,994	17,944
Quebec	6,735	8,945	138	1,914	2,542
Nova Scotia	2,151	2,541	41	495	409
New Brunswick	1,511	823	5	384	425
Manitoba and North-west Territories	23,852	15,927	1,783	26,577	19,575
British Columbia	23,163	10,042	1,255	5,770	23,437
Prince Edward Island	312	220	16	102	68
Canada	74,942	114,259	4,372	45,236	64,400
Canada, 1881	46,962	75,365	6,341	19,828	28,569

Provinces.	Bushels of Grain.	Bushels of Potatoes and Roots.	Tons of Hay.	Fish, Furs and other Industries — Value.
Ontario	385,262	120,041	13,066	\$ 174,660
Quebec	46,491	20,843	4,985	151,174
Nova Scotia	1,438	5,771	30	19,167
New Brunswick	4,294	6,869	219	23,925
Manitoba and North-west Territories	95,184	99,537	23,041	264,567
British Columbia	77,850	76,314	6,158	669,628
Prince Edward Island	1,442	2,836	30	6,358
Canada	611,961	332,211	47,529	1,309,479
Canada, 1881	285,335	163,423	13,673	692,147