

During the ten years 1880–1890, according to the census of the United States, the decrease in values of farm lands and buildings was 9·4 per cent, as the following statement shows:—

VALUE OF FARMS AND BUILDINGS.

STATES.	1880.	1890.	DECREASE.	
			Amount.	Per Cent.
	\$	\$	\$	
Maine.....	102,357,615	98,567,730	3,789,885	3·7
New Hampshire.....	75,834,389	66,162,600	9,671,789	12·7
Vermont..	103,346,010	80,427,490	28,918,520	26·5
Massachusetts.....	146,197,415	127,538,284	18,659,131	12·8
Rhode Island.....	25,882,079	21,873,479	4,008,600	15·5
Connecticut.....	121,063,910	95,000,595	26,063,315	21·5
New York.....	1,056,176,741	968,127,286	88,049,455	8·3
New Jersey.....	190,895,833	159,262,840	31,632,993	16·6
Pennsylvania.....	975,689,410	922,240,233	53,449,177	5·5
Total.....	2,803,443,402	2,539,200,537	264,242,865	9·4
Ontario.....	817,823,700	802,854,249	14,969,451	1·83

It will be seen that the Province of Ontario suffered less diminution in the value of its farm property than any of the States mentioned, to which, in order to include the States lying within the same line of longitude, may be added the State of Ohio, which, in 1880, had a valuation for farm property of \$1,127,497,353, and, in 1890, \$1,050,031,828—a decrease of \$77,465,525, or 6·8 per cent.

595. Taking the values in implements and machinery, we have the following table, the increase and the per cent of that increase being added:—

VALUE OF FARM IMPLEMENTS AND MACHINERY.

States.	1880.	1890.	INCREASE OR DECREASE.	
			Numerical.	Per Cent.
	\$	\$	\$	
Maine.....	4,948,048	5,499,413	+ 551,365	+ 11·1
New Hampshire.....	3,069,240	3,594,850	+ 525,610	+ 17·1
Vermont.....	4,879,285	4,733,560	- 145,725	- 2·9
Massachusetts.....	5,134,537	5,938,940	+ 804,403	+ 15·6
Rhode Island.....	902,825	941,030	+ 38,205	+ 4·2
Connecticut.....	3,162,628	3,075,495	- 87,133	- 2·7
New York.....	42,592,741	46,659,465	+ 4,066,724	+ 9·5
New Jersey.....	6,921,085	7,378,644	+ 457,559	+ 6·6
Pennsylvania.....	35,473,037	39,046,855	+ 3,573,818	+ 10·1
Ohio.....	30,521,180	29,475,346	- 1,045,834	- 3·4
Total.....	137,604,606	146,343,598	+ 8,738,992	+ 6·3
Ontario.....	43,522,495	51,435,919	7,913,424	18·1