

In the first eight states there has been an increase of 8·7 per cent. In Ontario the increase was 18·1 per cent. In Ohio the figures are, 1880, \$30,521,180; 1890, \$29,475,346, showing a decrease of \$1,045,834 or 3·4 per cent. Taking the nine states (Ohio added) the increase in the value of machinery and farm implements was 6·3 per cent against Ontario's increase of 18·1 per cent.

596. Taking increase of live stock we have the following table:—

VALUE OF LIVE STOCK ACCORDING TO CENSUS RETURNS.

States.	1880.	1890.	INCREASE OR DECREASE.	
			Numerical.	Per Cent.
	\$	\$	\$	
Maine.....	16,499,376	18,280,140	+ 1,780,764	+ 10·8
New Hampshire.....	9,812,064	10,450,125	+ 638,061	+ 6·5
Vermont.....	16,586,195	16,644,320	+ 58,125	+ 0·3
Massachusetts.....	12,957,004	14,200,178	+ 1,243,174	+ 9·6
Rhode Island.....	2,254,142	2,364,970	+ 110,828	+ 5·0
Connecticut.....	10,959,296	9,974,618	- 984,678	- 9·0
New York.....	117,868,283	124,523,965	+ 6,655,682	+ 5·6
New Jersey.....	14,861,412	15,811,430	+ 950,018	+ 6·4
Pennsylvania.....	84,242,877	101,652,758	+ 17,409,881	+ 20·6
Total.....	286,040,649	313,902,504	+ 27,861,855	+ 9·7
Ohio.....	103,707,730	116,181,690	+ 12,473,960	+ 12·0
Ontario.....	99,882,265	116,070,902	+ 16,188,637	+ 16·2

In increase in value of live stock the province has been excelled by only one of the nine states.

The increase in the eight states was 9·7 per cent and in the province 16·2 per cent.

597. As connected with the general question of the depressed state of agriculture the following table, being a synopsis of the evidence of witnesses examined by the Royal Commission on Agriculture in Great Britain, is taken from the Journal of the Royal Agricultural Society:—

REDUCTION OF RENT—ENGLAND.

County.	Reduction per cent.	County.	Reduction per cent.
Northumberland....	20 to 25 (average)	Hereford.....	20 to 30
Cumberland.....	30 to 40	Somerset.....	20 to 40
York.....	10 to 50	Oxford.....	25 to 50
Lancaster.....	5 to 30	Berks.....	90 (one estate)
Stafford.....	10 to 25	Suffolk.....	Up to 70
Leicester.....	40 (average)	Essex.....	25 to 100
Nottingham.....	14 to 50	Kent.....	15 to 100
Warwick.....	25 to 60	Sussex.....	42½ (one estate)
Northampton.....	50 (one estate)	Hants.....	25 to 100
Huntington.....	40 to 50 (average)	Wilts.....	10 to 75
Derby.....	14 to 25	Devon.....	10 to 25
Gloucester.....	50 (one estate)	Cornwall.....	10 to 100

(Where 100 per cent is mentioned it refers to farms now let rent free, the tenants paying only the rates and equivalent of the tithe rent-charge.)