

tons, valued at \$361,045, which was an increase over 1889 of 765 tons in quantity, and of \$44,383 in value. A certain number of tons, which cannot be estimated, should be added to the above quantity, representing the result of desultory operations by farmers on their own lots, particularly in Ontario. In 1891, the quantity produced was 23,588 tons, valued at \$241,603; in 1892, 11,932 tons, valued at \$157,424; in 1893, 8,198 tons, valued at \$70,942; in 1894, 7,290 tons, valued at \$43,940; in 1895, 1,822 tons, valued at \$9,565.

750. The following table of exports since 1878 shows the position of this industry during the last eighteen years. The quantity exported in 1895 was 4,189 tons, valued at \$33,810, being a decrease, as compared with 1894, of 758 tons in quantity, and in value of \$6,590. The exports almost all go to Great Britain. It must not be forgotten that the figures of exports from Quebec include a certain amount of material produced in Ontario, but shipped to Montreal for export, and at that port credited to the Province of Quebec:—

EXPORTS OF PHOSPHATE, 1878-95.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	ONTARIO.		QUEBEC.		TOTAL.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	\$	Tons.	\$	Tons.	\$
1878.....	39	887	3,662	63,725	3,701	64,612
1879.....	1,497	20,836	10,430	195,459	11,927	216,295
1880.....	1,182	11,492	6,792	108,390	7,974	119,882
1881.....	2,124	25,629	13,477	213,864	15,601	239,493
1882.....	2,080	28,976	15,101	298,691	17,181	327,667
1883.....	220	2,400	14,258	300,316	14,478	302,716
1884.....	20	160	21,451	453,162	21,471	453,322
1885.....	745	8,980	18,239	353,308	18,984	362,288
1886.....	532	6,817	25,442	425,134	25,974	431,951
1887.....	733	6,223	22,070	390,226	22,803	396,449
1888.....	1,100	13,011	20,749	384,482	21,849	397,493
1889.....	3,190	36,381	19,968	328,202	23,158	364,583
1890.....	3,192	34,182	26,521	367,565	*29,715	*401,827
1891.....	1,825	22,350	22,432	399,850	24,257	422,200
1892.....	1,324	11,857	15,919	368,605	17,243	380,462
1893.....	2,663	18,188	9,227	114,287	11,890	132,475
1894.....	1,580	8,295	3,367	32,105	4,947	40,400
1895.....	720	4,210	3,469	29,600	4,189	33,810
Total.....	24,766	260,874	272,574	4,826,971	297,342	5,087,925

* Includes 2 tons from New Brunswick, valued at \$80.

751. Since 1891 Algerian and Tunisian phosphates have come to the front, the result being that both the American and the Canadian phosphates have been adversely affected, not because of any superiority of the North African phosphate in high constituent of phosphate, since Canadian apatite may be regarded as a most eligible material for the manufacture of a concentrated