

Settlement and sold to settlers, while cattle in British Columbia date from 1837. Modern dairying owes its development and expansion to the factory system for the making of cheese and butter, to the introduction from Denmark in 1882 of the centrifugal cream separator, and to the facilities afforded by improved methods of cold storage, which came under Government organization in 1895.

Creamery Butter.—The first creamery in Canada was established at Athelstan, Huntingdon Co., Quebec, in 1873, while the first cream separator was installed at Ste. Marie, Beauce Co., Quebec, in 1882. The first Ontario creamery was established in 1875, and what was probably the first cream separator in Ontario was installed at Belleville in 1883. Butter reached its maximum exportation for the year ended June 30, 1903, with 34,128,944 lb. The latest figures for the year ended Dec. 31, 1925, show an export of 26,646,535 lb. The quantity of creamery butter made in Canada in 1925 was 169,494,967 lb. (Table 26), valued at \$63,008,097, a decrease in quantity from the preceding year of 9,398,970 lb., or 5.3 p.c., and an increase in value of \$2,513,271, or 4.2 p.c. The average price per lb. for the whole of Canada was 37 cents in 1925, compared with 34 cents in 1924. The production of creamery butter in 1925 exceeded in quantity the production of any previous year except 1924, and was exceeded in value only by 1920, when the average price per lb. was 57 cents.

26.—Production and Value of Creamery Butter, by Provinces, 1923-1925.

Provinces.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1923.	1924.	1925.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	\$	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island.....	1,537,437	1,560,250	1,724,283	542,846	567,986	632,547
Nova Scotia.....	3,550,866	4,139,469	4,530,028	1,353,118	1,502,793	1,782,414
New Brunswick.....	1,231,471	1,225,615	1,279,417	456,557	461,936	469,153
Quebec.....	59,214,767	59,700,420	49,368,635	20,605,992	20,201,055	18,888,581
Ontario.....	54,873,180	60,081,141	59,371,256	19,478,505	20,788,273	22,059,271
Manitoba.....	10,730,060	12,632,814	13,663,312	3,662,444	4,180,707	4,909,958
Saskatchewan.....	10,867,010	13,543,001	15,946,233	3,632,377	4,378,106	5,855,979
Alberta.....	17,868,853	23,339,857	19,630,101	5,891,186	7,059,630	6,959,059
British Columbia.....	2,961,164	3,671,370	3,481,702	1,250,485	1,374,340	1,451,183
Total.....	162,534,608	173,893,937	169,494,967	56,873,510	60,494,826	63,008,097

Factory Cheese.—The early French colonists made butter and cheese, of which the *fromage raffiné*, still made on the Isle of Orleans, is probably a survival. The United Empire Loyalists introduced cheese and butter-making into the districts settled by them, and in 1801 sent their surplus butter and cheese to the United States. The first modern cheese factory in Canada was established in Oxford Co., Ontario, in 1864, while shortly afterwards factories were established in the Burkville and Belleville districts of Ontario, in Missisquoi Co., Quebec, near Essex, New Brunswick, and in Annapolis Co., Nova Scotia. These factories were established before 1870, and after that date the number rapidly increased. In 1868, the quantity of cheese exported from Canada was 6,141,570 lb. In 1904 cheese reached its maximum exportation with 233,980,716 lb., and the exports of cheese for the year ended Dec. 31, 1925, amounted to 150,742,900 lb. The production of factory cheese in 1925 totalled 177,139,113 lb., of the value of \$36,571,556; an increase in quantity over the previous year of 18.3 p.c., and in value of 51.2 p.c. (Table 27). The average prices per lb. were 21 cents in 1925 and 16 cents in 1924.