Section 3.—Marketing of Live Stock and Live-Stock Products.*

The estimated value of farm animals sold for meat in Canada in 1937 was \$140,989,000. In addition, the 1937 wool production was worth \$2,972,000 and the farm value of poultry and eggs produced was \$51,766,000. Live stock makes a very important contribution to farmers' income and also provides the basis for a large slaughtering and meat-packing industry in Canada. Since the War the slaughtering and meat-packing industry has been one of the most important single manufacturing industries in Canada.

 Animals in Canada, Animals Killed or Sold by Farmers, and Wool Produced, census years 1871-1931.

Year.	Auimals in Canada.			Animals Killed or Sold.			Wool	
	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.	Cattle.	Sheep. (Swine.	Produced.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	lb.	
1871	2,484,655 3,382,396 3,997,023 5,576,451 6,526,083 8,519,484 8,099,883	3,155,509 3,048,678 2,563,781 2,510,239 2,174,300 3,203,966 3,627,116	1,366,083 1,207,619 1,733,850 2,353,828 3,634,776 3,404,730 4,774,828	507,725 657,681 957,737 1,110,209 1,752,792 5 2,097,390 2,046,428	1,557,430 1,496,465 1,464,172 1,329,141 949,039 1,217,987 1,296,158	1,216,097 1,302,508 1,791,104 2,497,636 2,771,755* 2,972,831 3,578,189	11,103,480 11,300,736 10,031,970 10,657,597 6,983,955 11,338,268 12,794,634	

² Figures for 1871-91 do not include work oxen.

² Census taken as of June 1, while previous censuses were taken in April, so that the proportion of young animals is greater than for years previous to 1911.

Animals slaughtered on Iarms were not included. The following figures are comparable with data given for other years, the amounts being partly estimated: cattle, 1,915,059; sheep, 1,097,015; swine, 4,282,624.

In Table 11 indexes are given showing the numbers of animals on farms for the years 1921 to 1938, expressed as percentages of the average numbers on farms during the period 1921 to 1925.

11.—Index Numbers of Animals on Farms in Canada, calendar years 1521-38.

(Average number for 1921-25 = 100.)

Year.	Horses.	Milk Cows.	Other Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.
921	105-1	99.9	110-6	121-4	88-9
922	100-6	100.2	102.2	107-8	90.3
923	97.3	97.8	95.5	91+Ď	101.6
924	98-9	99.7	98-0	88.7	117-0
925	98-0	102.5	93-7	91.0	102-1
926	93.7	102.7	80.9	103 - 8	100-6
927	94.3	103 8	90-1	107-8	108-8
928	93 · 1	101 - 1	85-3	112.9	103 - 8
929	93 · 1	98-5	87-9	120-1	101-1
930,	90.8	98.5	89-8	122-1	92.3
931	85.8	90.2	78-7	119-8	108+4
932	85-2	96-1	84-1	120-4	107-0
938	82.3	98·B	88-6	111 2	87 - 7
934.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	80∙9	103 - 3	87.0	113.0	84 - 3
935	80∙8	102-9	85-0	112-3	81.9
936	79-7	103.9	84-7	109-9	95-6
937	79-5	105 - 4	83.8	110.3	91.4
938	77-8	103 - 6	79.3	112.8	80 - 4

^{*} Revised by the Agricultural Branch, Dominion Bureau of Statistics. For more detailed information on this subject, see: Canada Year Book, 1922-23, pp. 594-595; Live Stock and Animal Products Statistics, published annually by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics; and the Annual Market Review, published annually by the Live Stock Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. Statistics of live stock and poultry are given at pp. 215 to 218 of this volume.