20.—Live Stock Slaughtered at	Canadian Inspected	Establishments,	1933-47 and
	by Months, 1948	* ************************************	

Year	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Hogs	Year and Month	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Hogs
	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.	No.
1942 1943 1944 1945	1,354,121	594,087 661,245 787,626	854, 222 861, 228 830, 975 821, 758 801, 679 783, 828 765, 165 828, 603 825, 368 889, 317 959, 169 1, 185, 161 1, 213, 235		January February March April May June July August September October November December	94, 132	69,667 65,839	57, 663 46, 257 46, 708 26, 000 13, 950 22, 765 43, 939 100, 025 126, 746 137, 748 103, 755 43, 387	420,055 397,094 344,635 256,131 214,954 233,793 321,185 410,194

Wool.—Total wool production in Canada in 1948 amounted to 11,915,000 lb. as compared with an estimate of 14,090,000 lb. for 1947. The very significant decline in wool production in 1948 reflected the continued decrease in sheep numbers. Shorn wool production again decreased in every province. With fewer sheep available for slaughter, production of pulled wool also decreased by 422,000 lb.

Domestic disappearance of wool in 1948 was 102,167,000 lb. as compared with 88,882,000 lb. in 1947. As data on stocks are not available, the estimates of domestic disappearance are subject to error to the extent that changes in stocks actually took place. Wool imports during 1948 increased by about 15,000,000 lb. over the previous year.

The farm value of shorn wool and farm cash income from the sales of wool rose steadily from 1939 to 1944. Since 1945, however, the rapid decline in the number of sheep has resulted in less income from wool despite a gradual rise in farm prices. The average farm price of wool for Canada increased from $28 \cdot 2$ cents per lb. in 1947 to $28 \cdot 9$ cents per lb. in 1948.

21.—Estimated Production, Exports, Imports and Apparent Consumption of Wool, 1941-48

Note.—All estimates are on a 'greasy' basis. Comparable statistics of production for the years 1920-29 are given at p. 219 of the 1939 Year Book, for 1930-36 at p. 214 of the 1945 edition and for 1937-40 at p. 368 of the 1948-49 edition.

Shorn						Total			Apparent
Year	Yield per Fleece	Total Yield Shorn	Price per Pound	Total Value Shorn	Pulled	Pro- duction	Exports	Imports	Con- sumption
	lb.	'000 lb.	cts.	\$	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947	7.7 7.5 7.5 7.6	11,630 12,867 13,929 15,128 14,513 11,457 10,176 8,423	22·1 25·5 27·0 27·1 27·7 28·0 28·2 28·9	2,571,000 3,283,000 3,761,000 4,106,000 4,015,000 3,208,000 2,865,000 2,437,000	3,624 3,610 3,889 4,151 5,113 5,290 3,914 3,492	15, 254 16, 477 17, 818 19, 279 19, 626 16, 747 14, 090 11, 915	3,025 384 2,316 15,520 11,927 6,409 5,103 4,929	93,070 114,428 104,364 52,690 59,506 100,042 79,895 95,181	105, 299 130, 521 119, 866 56, 449 67, 205 110, 380 88, 882 102, 167