

Yukon. There were also three mink farms in Nova Scotia and two small raccoon farms in Quebec, with property valued at \$1,875 and \$765 respectively. The number of silver foxes on farms at date of December 31, 1919, was 6,878, with a total value of \$3,012,965. Patch or cross foxes numbered 831, valued at \$75,458, and red foxes 255, valued at \$10,345. Of the total number of silver foxes, Prince Edward Island possessed 5,149, Nova Scotia 375, New Brunswick 458, Quebec 318, Ontario 120, the Prairie Provinces 280, British Columbia 65, and the Yukon 113. Silver foxes born on fur farms in 1919 numbered 4,877, patch or cross foxes 495, red foxes 162, mink 40 and raccoons 2.

A total of 2,028 silver fox pelts of the value of \$481,864 were sold from fur farms in 1919, distributed by provinces as follows: Prince Edward Island, 1,570, value \$368,654; Nova Scotia 116, value \$28,843; New Brunswick 100, value \$22,855; Quebec 84, value \$30,525; Ontario 44, value \$6,417; Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta 63, value \$13,180; British Columbia 8, value \$1,330; and the Yukon 43, value \$10,020. There were also sold from fur farms 305 patch or cross fox pelts, value \$20,914; 156 red fox pelts, value \$4,216; one blue fox pelt, value \$65; 56 mink pelts, value \$1,030, and two raccoon, value \$30.

In all, therefore, during the year 1919, the total number of pelts produced by Canadian fur farms was 2,548 of the value of \$508,079.

#### DAIRYING.

##### **Creameries and Cheese Factories, 1917, 1918 and 1919.—**

The total number of dairy factories making returns in Canada in 1919 was 3,282, as compared with 3,373 in 1918 and 3,418 in 1917. Of the total in 1919, 1,018 were creameries, 1,787 were cheese factories, 453 were combined factories making butter and cheese, and 24 were condensed milk factories. The great majority both of creameries and cheese factories were in Quebec and Ontario. In Quebec there were 631 creameries, 833 cheese factories, 403 combined factories and one condensed milk factory. In Ontario, creameries numbered 179, cheese factories 888, combined factories 37 and condensed milk factories 17. The total number of patrons (i.e., farmers supplying milk and cream) was 275,060, as compared with 252,416 in 1918 and 248,683 in 1917. In 1919 the patrons numbered 79,015 in Quebec and 99,771 in Ontario. The total value of the capital invested in the dairy factories of Canada in 1919 was \$28,388,026, as compared with \$23,131,620 in 1918, and \$19,628,001 in 1917. The number of employees was 10,716 in 1919, and their salaries and wages amounted to \$7,629,997. The amount paid to patrons was \$107,412,542, as compared with \$83,637,391 in 1918 and \$73,863,391 in 1917. The total expenditure was \$128,556,744 and the value of products was \$135,196,602, comprising butter \$56,371,985; cheese \$44,586,168;