TANNING, WOOL-SCOURING, AND FELLMONGERY.

Census Year.		Number of Establishments.	Number of Employees.	Amount paid in Wages.	Cost of Materials used.	Value of Output.
1895–96 1900–01 1905–06 1910–11 1915–16 1918–19		117 119 99 79 59 65	1,629 1,963 1,336 1,372 1,187 1,328	£ 116,983 159,342 102,506 136,875 146,532 213,582	£ 134,176 1,391,323 1,201,318 1,788,772 2,215,417 3,119,665	£ 1,237,252 1,888,107 1,836,310 2,036,770 2,755,283 3,662,659
1919–20		70	1,536	316,377	3,984,846	4,941,99

BOOT AND SHOE FACTORIES.

The manufacture of boots and shoes in New Zealand developed considerably during the war, although it had been an important industry since 1896. The number of establishments has varied considerably from year to year, and a few failures have occurred in this class of business in New Zealand. The value of the output has advanced from £357,806 in 1896 to £1,443,436 in 1920. Like many other branches of production this industry experienced exceptional prosperity during the war, but is now suffering from severe competition from overseas manufacturers, especially Australian. In fact, there have been serious over-importations—an accumulation of imported stocks far beyond the normal requirements of the Dominion. Many of the New Zealand factories are now working only part-time, and there is a general depression in the trade. The following table summarizes the statistical data of this industry:—

Census Year. Number of Establishments.		Number of Employees.	Amount paid in Wages.	Cost of Materials used.	Value of Output.
1895–96 . 1900–01 . 1905–06 . 1910–11 . 1915–16 . 1918–19 . 1919–20 .	65 126 72 74 166 75 64	2,349 2,696 2,206 2,072 2,257 2,304 2,322	£ 137,224 192,443 171,495 197,793 238,831 296,984 362,611	£ 176,838 273,325 269,664 334,880 441,292 718,316 888,847	\$ 357,806 529,254 501,065 619,873 801,572 1,199,897 1,443,436

MOTOR AND CYCLE WORKS.

This industry has shown a remarkable development since 1896. Its progress has probably been greater than that displayed in any other branch of production in New Zealand. The operations are mainly connected with engineering and repair work. The following table will indicate the advance that has taken place in this industry:—

Number of Establishments.	Number of Employees.	Amount paid in Wages. £ 5,952	Cost of Materials used. £ 7,696	Value of Output. £ 18,817
172 255	$\begin{matrix} 649 \\ 1,278 \end{matrix}$	56,164 $175,706$	$\begin{array}{c} 65,742 \\ 220,606 \end{array}$	189,482 571,074
	71 97 71 172	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	71 395 21,443 97 452 30,831 71 315 30,366 172 649 56,164 255 1,278 175,706	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

Space will not permit of analysis of the statistical data relating to the many other industries established in the Dominion. It may be added that the Government Statistician has made arrangements for an annual census of industrial manufacture, and the figures are appearing regularly in the issues of Volume III, "Statistics of New Zealand."