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**DAIRY REVIEW OF CANADA**  
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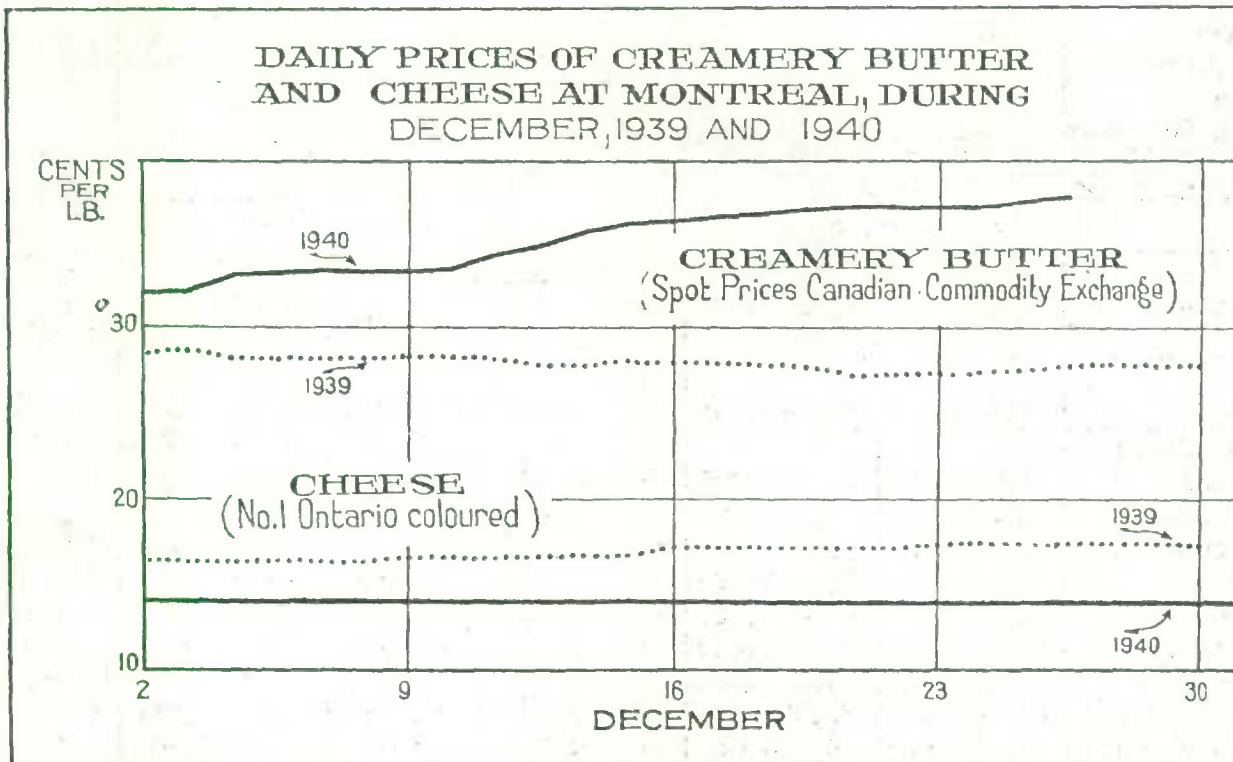
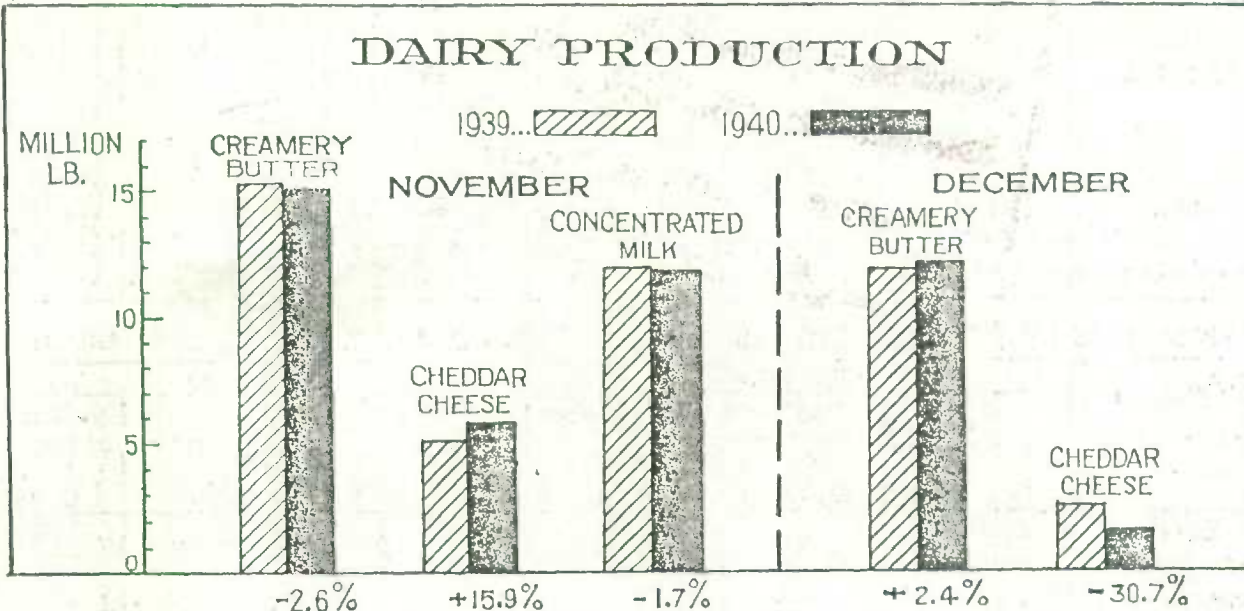
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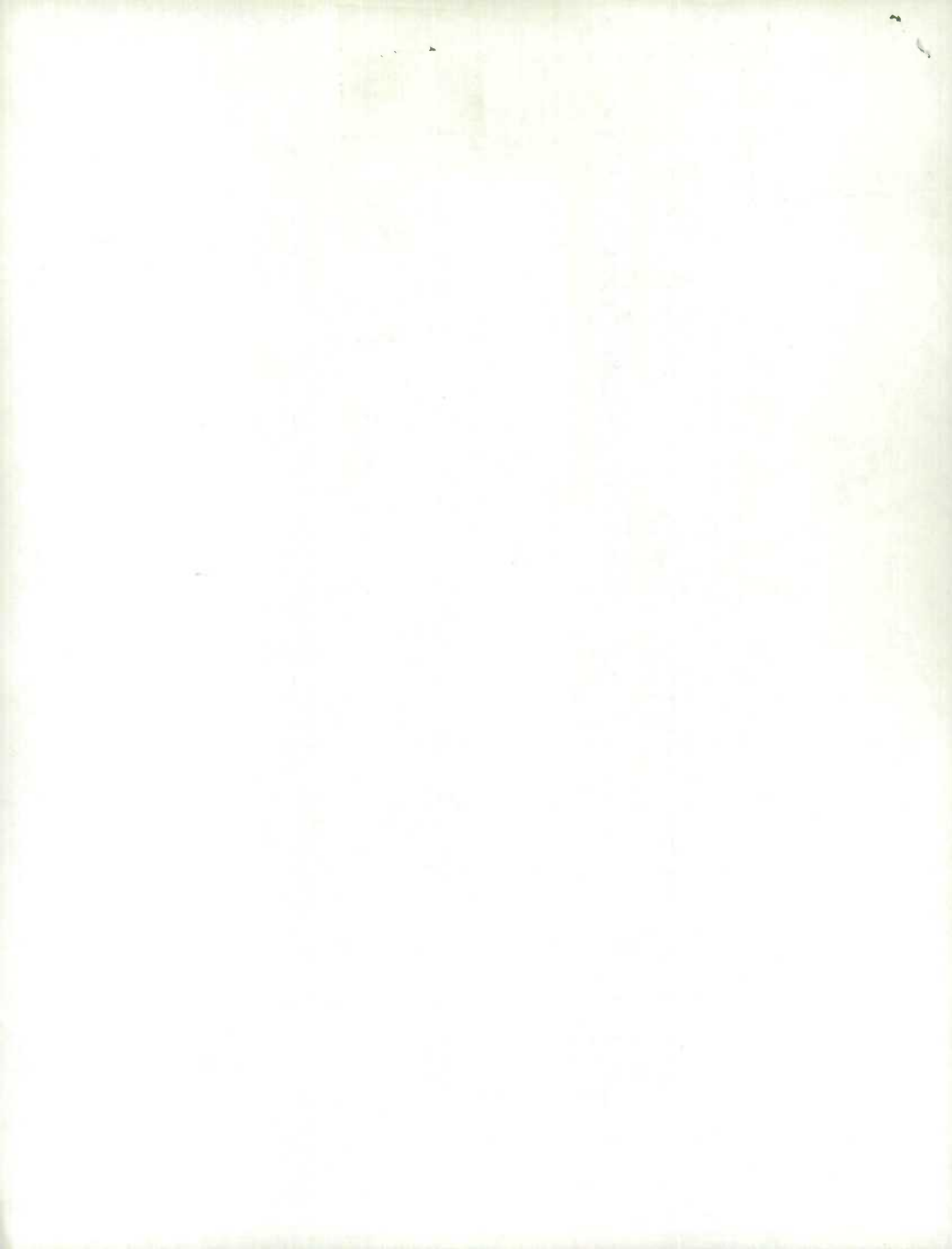
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1. - PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, DECEMBER, 1939 AND 1940.

Provinces	NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	1939	1940 x	% Change	1939	1940 /	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	15,396,069	15,001,167	(-) 2.6	11,901,177	12,192,243	(+) 2.4
Prince Edward Island	92,235	106,616	(+) 15.6	65,852	85,432	(+) 29.7
Nova Scotia	340,800	318,050	(-) 6.7	347,103	324,746	(-) 6.4
New Brunswick	155,953	125,597	(-) 6.4	92,572	93,418	(+) 0.9
Quebec	4,710,676	4,534,313	(-) 3.7	2,605,801	2,649,767	(+) 1.7
Ontario	5,659,455	5,076,727	(-) 10.3	5,048,973	4,626,713	(-) 8.4
Manitoba	1,289,439	1,446,291	(+) 12.2	1,080,425	1,330,907	(+) 23.2
Saskatchewan	1,268,491	1,417,882	(+) 11.8	1,019,666	1,275,332	(+) 25.1
Alberta	1,563,136	1,586,993	(+) 1.5	1,334,982	1,473,759	(+) 10.4
British Columbia	337,884	388,898	(+) 15.1	305,803	332,169	(+) 8.6

II. - PRODUCTION OF FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, DECEMBER, 1939 AND 1940.

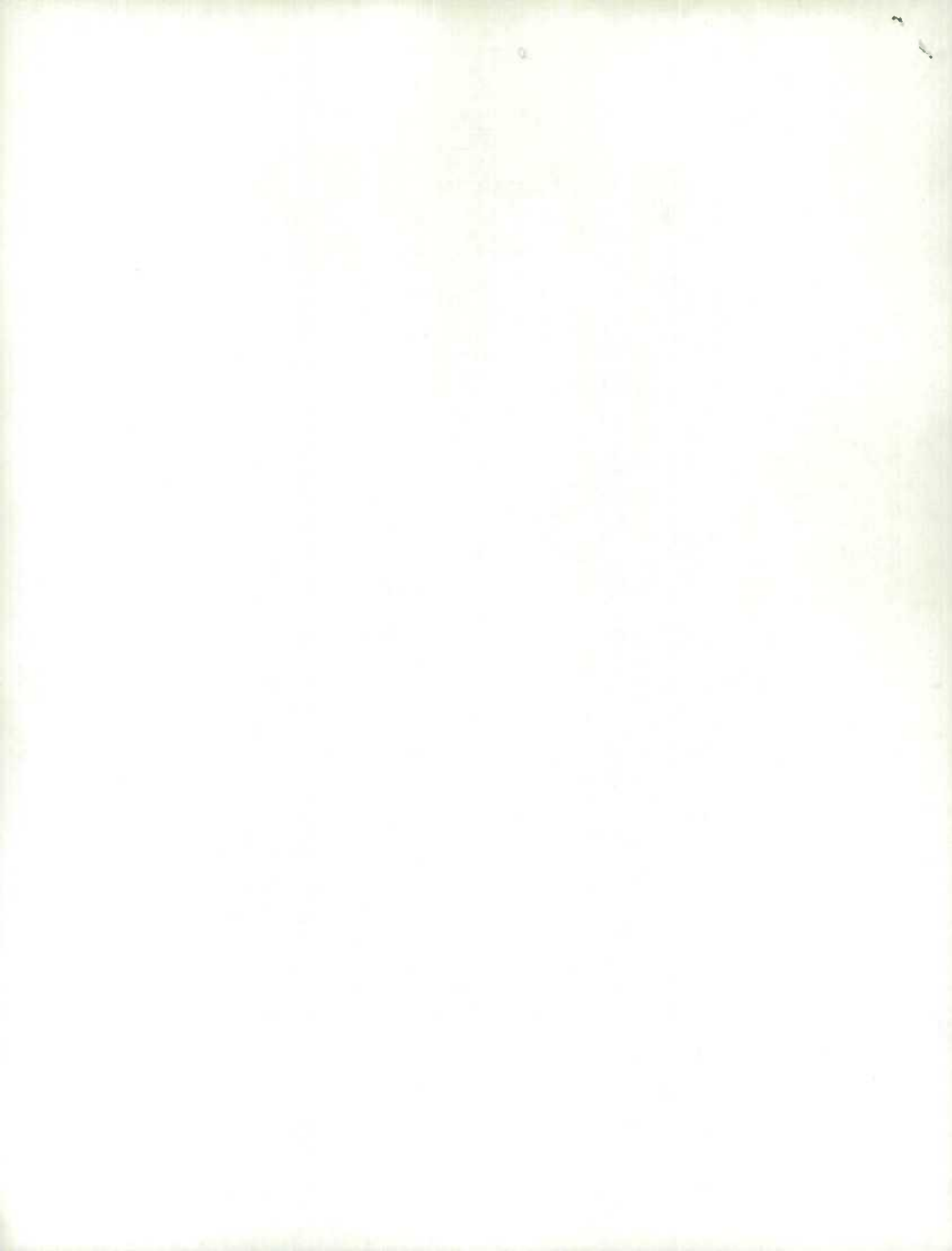
Province	NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	1939	1940 x	% Change	1939	1940 /	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	5,136,546	5,950,133	(+) 15.9	2,528,915	1,753,590	(-) 30.7
Prince Edward Island	-	9,699	-	-	2,865	-
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec	522,184	945,376	(+) 80.7	316,531	342,403	(+) 8.2
Ontario	4,290,783	4,597,345	(+) 7.1	1,897,107	1,088,493	(-) 42.6
Manitoba	172,228	190,525	(+) 10.6	179,575	130,637	(-) 27.2
Saskatchewan	6,471	8,249	(+) 27.5	1,218	844	(-) 30.7
Alberta	102,898	153,581	(+) 49.3	102,153	142,831	(+) 39.8
British Columbia	41,982	47,358	(+) 12.8	32,331	45,467	(+) 40.6

III. - CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF CREAMERY BUTTER AND FACTORY CHEESE IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, JANUARY TO DECEMBER, 1939 AND 1940.

Province	JANUARY TO DECEMBER					
	BUTTER			CHEESE		
	1939	1940	% Change	1939	1940	% Change
	Lb.	Lb.	%	Lb.	Lb.	%
CANADA	267,368,127	264,095,795	(-) 1.2	122,771,828	140,092,912	(+) 14.1
Prince Edward Island	1,924,855	2,009,988	(+) 4.4	464,731	593,669	(+) 27.7
Nova Scotia	5,677,556	5,864,294	(+) 3.3	-	-	-
New Brunswick	3,968,653	3,921,876	(-) 1.2	561,337	662,593	(+) 18.0
Quebec	79,793,000	73,601,125	(-) 7.8	26,271,420	33,228,244	(+) 26.5
Ontario	88,243,837	87,033,724	(-) 1.4	88,518,455	97,353,795	(+) 10.0
Manitoba	26,524,240	27,322,442	(+) 3.0	3,492,958	4,415,424	(+) 26.4
Saskatchewan	25,400,005	28,302,691	(+) 11.4	344,819	396,454	(+) 15.0
Alberta	29,749,958	29,904,599	(+) 0.5	2,196,157	2,701,231	(+) 23.0
British Columbia	6,086,023	6,135,056	(+) 0.8	921,951	741,502	(-) 19.6

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SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DAIRY PRODUCTION IN CANADA  
(DECEMBER, 1940)

CREAMERY BUTTER PRODUCTION in December increased approximately 2 per cent as compared with the December make of 1939 and decreased 18.7 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. During the month of December 12.2 million pounds of butter were produced and during the twelve months ending December the output reached a total of 264.1 million pounds. The increase in the December make occurred in all provinces except Nova Scotia and Ontario.

CHEESE PRODUCTION decreased approximately 31 per cent in December as compared with December 1939, and decreased 70.5 per cent as compared with the output for the preceding month. The December make was approximately 1.8 million pounds and the total for the twelve months, January to December, amounted to 140.1 million pounds. The decrease in the December make occurred in all provinces except Quebec, Alberta and British Columbia.

The production of CONCENTRATED MILK PRODUCTS for the month of November registered a decrease of approximately 2 per cent as compared with the same month last year and a decrease of 20 per cent as compared with the preceding month. During November 9.8 million pounds of Concentrated Whole Milk Products were manufactured in Canada and 2.1 million pounds of Concentrated Milk By-Products. During the eleven months January to November, 146.3 million pounds of the former and 36.8 million pounds of the latter were produced in condenseries and creameries in the Dominion, making a total of 11.9 million pounds for November and 183.1 million pounds for the eleven months ending November.

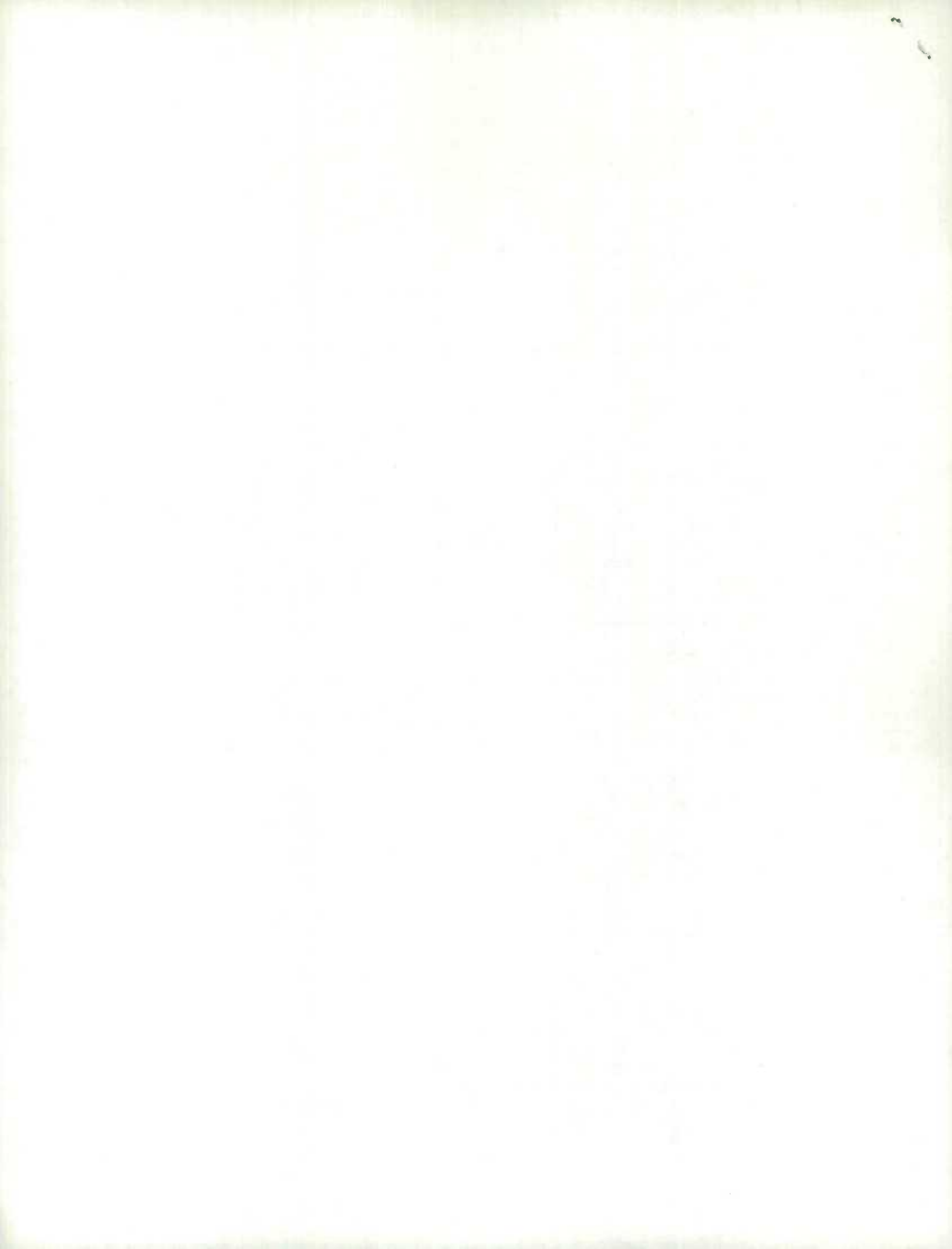
CREAMERY BUTTER PRICES at Montreal, as quoted daily by the Canadian Commodity Exchange for the first grade product, averaged 35 cents a pound, compared with 28 cents in December 1939. Ontario coloured cheese at Montreal based on daily quotations averaged 14 cents in December compared with 16 7/8 cents in December, 1939.

The combined output of creamery butter and factory cheese during the month of December represented the equivalent of 305.1 million pounds of milk, registering a decrease of approximately 2 million pounds as compared with the combined make in terms of milk for the same month a year ago. Creamery butter represented 93.6 per cent and cheese represented 6.4 per cent of the total.

Exports of Butter in December amounted to 115,700 pounds as compared with 146,800 pounds last month and 104,600 pounds in December, 1939.

Exports of Cheese in December reached a total of 3,969,700 pounds as against 9,289,600 pounds last month and 3,018,800 pounds in December a year ago.

The domestic disappearance of butter in the month of November amounted to 24.7 million pounds, representing an increase of 12.8 per cent as compared with the same month last year and a decrease of 15.9 per cent in comparison with the preceding month. This estimate is based on storage and transit stocks amounting to 42.3 million pounds at December 1, 1940, and exports and imports amounting to 146,800 pounds and 303 pounds, respectively.



## DAIRY PRODUCTION CONDITIONS

### Weather:

The stations in the Maritimes reported temperatures of from one or two degrees above normal and precipitation about 0.5 inches above normal with 5.3 inches at Charlottetown and 4.1 inches at Nappan. At Lennoxville, Quebec the temperature was normal but the precipitation was 4.5 inches against a normal of 2.9 inches mainly due to abnormal rain. Ottawa had the heaviest fall of rain on record for the month of December with a total of 3.27 inches as compared with the normal amount of 0.83 inches. In addition 12.45 inches of snow were recorded bringing the total precipitation to 4.52 inches, the greatest recorded in 50 years. At Swift Current, the temperature was 8 degrees above normal. Precipitation was light and there was a total of 107 hours of sunshine against the average of 81 hours.

### Feed Prices:

Bran registered an increase of \$2.00 per ton at the end of December at Winnipeg and \$1.00 per ton at Montreal in comparison with the same date of the previous year. Oats declined about seven cents per bushel at Montreal and Winnipeg and barley declined about four cents per bushel at Winnipeg and seven cents at Montreal. The price of Linseed Oil Cake, 38 per cent, increased 2 per cent while Cotton Seed Meal, 41 per cent was quoted the same as last year.

### Milch Cows:

The numbers of milch cows on the farms of Dairy Correspondents in November showed a slight increase from last year and the percentage milking also increased from 73.3 per cent in 1939 to 74.0 per cent in 1940.

### Milk Production:

The reports from Dairy Correspondents indicated that milk production in November was practically on a par with the same month of 1939. The production per cow was 16.6 pounds per day; and including those both dry and in milk the average was 12.4 pounds. These figures reveal a slight decrease from the per cow yields reported in the corresponding month of the previous year, which were respectively, 17.1 pounds per day and 12.6.

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