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**A G R I C U L T U R E .**

1890.

## CULTIVATED and UNCULTIVATED Lands, Wages, Produce, Stock, &amp;c.

Estimated Acreage of Cultivated Land in the Colony	Estimated Acreage of Uncultivated Land in the Colony	Estimated Acreage of the Colony	* Number of Estates in Cultivation	* Number of Estates Abandoned	* Number of Estates Cultivated wholly or partially on the Métaire System
40,078	1,027	41,105			

\* This Column is applicable to West Indian Colonies only.

## AVERAGE RATE of WAGES for LABOUR in 1890.

	Per annum	Per day	Per Task or Job †
Predial ... ..	{ £ 12 12 0 to „ 37 17 6 * }	10d. to 2s. 6d.	
Domestic ... ..	{ £ 18 5 0 to „ 36 10 0 }	1s. to 2s.	
Trades ... ..	{ £ 22 14 6 to „ 60 12 0 } *	1s. 6d. to 4s.	

\* Not including festivals.

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## RETURN of the PRODUCE,

LOCALITY		CROPS Nature of the Crop, and Number of Acres of Land in each Crop											STOCK				
DISTRICT	CASAL	Wheat	Meschiato	Barley	Beans and other Pulse	Cotton	Gardens	Sesamum	Cumia Seed	Pasture	Forage	Total Number of Acres in Crop	Number of Acres of Uncultivated Land	Horses, Mules and Asses	Horned Cattle	Sheep	Goats
1st	Rabato . . . . .	780	52	54	148	43	368	7	12	284	422	2,170	—	372	654	694	617
	Dingli . . . . .	175	100	4	106	6	160	—	—	26	120	697	—	55	45	229	84
2nd	Zebbug . . . . .	280	44	71	48	62	260	13	58	—	311	1,147	14	354	340	182	201
	Siggieni . . . . .	320	84	93	71	115	290	8	95	—	333	1,409	44	243	496	685	196
	Misida & Hamrun . . . . .	1,654	—	1,300	140	196	140	140	152	152	496	4,380	—	537	590	503	890
3rd	Birchircara . . . . .	173	36	30	61	16	206	10	16	—	228	776	—	704	564	262	731
	Attard . . . . .	38	2	5	2	2	123	2	6	—	88	268	—	103	182	88	75
	Lia . . . . .	44	4	10	16	2	122	5	2	—	58	263	—	61	25	37	95
	Balzan . . . . .	22	5	8	5	1	59	1	5	—	50	156	—	65	36	52	90
	Silema, St. Julian's and St. George . . . . .	76	—	25	3	25	113	15	15	25	250	547	45	192	132	52	469
4th	Naxaro . . . . .	992	122	260	194	98	280	16	99	85	1,573	3,719	—	193	263	276	323
	Melleha . . . . .	9	25	3	14	5	24	—	—	5	16	101	—	133	553	237	225
	Musta . . . . .	2,114	114	58	170	222	1,454	28	236	149	1,996	6,541	—	632	487	274	269
	Gargur . . . . .	1,556	71	56	73	84	196	9	15	34	66	2,160	—	39	172	319	169
5th	Curio . . . . .	154	47	90	45	45	152	2	40	—	214	789	70	706	700	141	314
	Luca . . . . .	56	17	20	12	26	11	1	13	—	82	238	48	150	350	170	266
	Tarxien & Paola . . . . .	75	8	15	13	22	8	1	16	—	72	230	49	253	318	81	509
6th	Zarrico . . . . .	149	290	172	66	65	268	38	33	140	270	1,491	82	211	387	469	150
	Safi . . . . .	60	30	39	7	15	120	11	19	—	60	261	—	48	123	79	46
	Chircop . . . . .	81	13	62	9	13	150	14	14	—	114	470	4	53	86	280	98
	Crendi . . . . .	170	65	82	65	61	126	82	28	28	92	799	36	79	135	192	99
	Micabiba . . . . .	52	63	9	6	7	230	10	18	—	82	477	—	107	144	342	113
7th	Zeitun . . . . .	240	4	80	16	48	168	20	40	45	280	941	—	310	120	440	170
	Zabbar . . . . .	160	—	80	40	60	180	48	80	12	148	808	—	148	81	65	368
	Axiack . . . . .	120	4	60	8	38	120	12	4	6	109	481	4	98	75	170	345
	Gudia . . . . .	100	—	96	15	32	124	8	5	8	112	500	3	80	68	136	141
	Total MALTA . . . . .	9,660	1,200	2,782	1,353	1,309	5,452	501	1,021	969	7,642	31,919	399	5,926	7,126	6,556	7,053
Gozo	Victoria . . . . .	76	337	17	89	156	56	—	—	188	200	1,119	19	125	197	408	116
	Nadur and Kala . . . . .	77	302	11	31	88	377	—	—	217	253	1,356	37	180	133	761	275
	Caccia . . . . .	78	280	4	108	189	135	—	—	253	169	1,207	25	235	169	1,907	462
	Zebbug . . . . .	5	253	—	53	150	43	—	—	243	116	863	12	87	93	229	180
	Garbo . . . . .	137	422	52	84	248	10	—	—	430	275	1,658	73	176	104	370	97
	Sannat . . . . .	31	222	—	46	124	53	—	—	98	98	672	162	123	196	411	118
	Xenchia . . . . .	43	204	—	63	89	28	—	—	244	142	813	72	85	82	311	68
	Ghain Silem . . . . .	27	80	1	35	31	42	—	—	46	58	320	41	37	34	146	64
	COMINO . . . . .	35	31	40	19	—	10	—	—	13	3	151	187	4	—	32	30
		GRAND TOTAL . . . . .	10,169	3,331	2,907	1,881	2,384	6,206	501	1,021	2,731	8,947	40,078	1,027	6,978	8,134	10,930



## AVERAGE PRICES of various PRODUCE and MERCHANDISE, &amp;c.

ARTICLES	PRICES						Per
	From			To			
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Wheaten Flour .. .. .	1	6	—	1	18	—	Barrel of 196 lb
Wheat .. .. .	—	11	—	—	12	—	Imperial Bushel
Wheaten Bread .. .. .	—	—	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	—	—	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	lb
Horned Cattle .. .. .	5	—	—	20	—	—	Each
Horses .. .. .	5	—	—	30	—	—	..
Sheep .. .. .	—	16	—	2	—	—	..
Goats .. .. .	—	10	—	2	—	—	..
Swine .. .. .	1	15	—	3	—	—	..
Milk .. .. .	—	1	6	—	1	8	Gallon
Butter, Fresh .. .. .	—	2	6	—	3	—	lb
Butter, Salt .. .. .	—	1	4	—	1	6	..
Cheese, English .. .. .	—	—	7	—	—	10	..
.. Sicilian .. .. .	—	—	6	—	—	8	..
Beef .. .. .	—	—	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	8	..
Mutton .. .. .	—	—	4	—	—	6	..
Pork .. .. .	—	—	5	—	—	6	..
Rice .. .. .	—	—	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	..
Coffee .. .. .	—	—	8	—	1	—	..
Tea .. .. .	—	—	9	—	1	3	..
Sugar .. .. .	—	—	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	—	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	..
Salt .. .. .	—	—	0 $\frac{3}{4}$	—	—	1	..
Wine (common) .. .. .	—	1	4	—	2	—	Gallon
Brandy (common) .. .. .	—	8	—	1	5	—	..
Beer (common) .. .. .	—	2	—	—	2	8	..
Tobacco .. .. .	—	—	6	—	5	—	lb

## WAGES FOR LABOUR

Domestic .. .. .	£ 0 1 0 ..	£ 0 2 0 per diem
Predial .. .. .	.. 0 0 10 ..	.. 0 2 6 ..
Trades .. .. .	.. 0 1 6 ..	.. 0 4 0 ..

Improvements in Agriculture and Manufactures introduced this year.

No improvements can be said to have been introduced during this year; but the manufacture of cotton stuff and of lucifer matches has progressed very materially. Matches can be produced at a lower cost than those that are imported and of a quality very often superior to those that are imported.

Progress of any Improvements previously reported.

Marked progress has been made in the cultivation of potatoes, "Early Rose," and of the newly introduced quality of onions, which is not liable to get heated when packed up and to undergo decomposition. Onions and potatoes are brought to maturity very early in the season and are fetching a good price in English markets. The Kidney potatoe has likewise been introduced by the English priests at St. Julian's, and cultivated in their garden very successfully.

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