I.—Table showing Number of Applications for Patents for the Different Classes of Inventions for each of the Years 1916, 1917, and 1918.

Class.	1916.	1917.	1918.	Class.	1916.	1917.	191
Advertising and displaying signs, &c.	4		2	Illuminating (except gas-manufac-	20	12	13
Aeronautics Amusements, music, exercisers,	7 35	18 23	6 32	Indicating, calculating, and measuring (including moisture-testers)	20	26	27
games, &c. Attaching and securing (including bolts, ties, &c.)	11	20	29	Kitchen utensils and cooking- appliances (including ovens)	33	27	10
Boilers (steam)	4	5	5	Lifting, hauling, and loading	16	29	20
Boots and shoes	34	39	33	Locks, latches, and hinges	15	14	10
Bottles, bettling, and glass-working Boxes, cans, and casks	16 29	$\frac{9}{34}$	$\frac{12}{52}$	Marine and submarine (including	19	46	28
Brewing, distilling, &c		2	5	lake and river engineering)			
Brooms and brushes (including mops)	8	21	11	Marking (tickets, labels, &c.) Medicines and surgical appliances	$\frac{14}{23}$	$\frac{7}{29}$	4 24
Building construction	17	24	21	(including ear-instruments, dental		.	
" (brick and cement com- positions and moulding)	28	25	34	work, &c.)	8	8	19
(windows and doors)	9	20	15	Metal-working (including welding, stamping, and plating)	ن	0	1 ()
O) t t -		1.5	1.5	Milking-machines*	51	37	51
Chemicals Cleaning, polishing, &c	$\begin{array}{c c} 6 \\ 15 \end{array}$	15 4	$\begin{vmatrix} 15 \\ 9 \end{vmatrix}$	Minerals (including filtration, lixiviation, screens, &c.)	14	8	14
Closets and urinals	14	9	9	" (magnetic separators)			
Coin-freed mechanism	11 4	4 13	3	" (stampers and pulverizers)	6	4	1
Jooling and freezing Sultivating and tilling	32	49	39	Oils and lubricators	5	4	14
Cutting and sawing, and tools	36	45	30	Drints and printing (including	.,	0.4	40
Dairying*	21	29	15	Paints and painting (including kauri-gum)	11	24	40
Drains and sewers	2	3	• :	Pipes, tubes, and hose	7	4	9
Dredging and excavating (including rock-drills)	4	3	1	Preserving Presses	6 1	$\frac{8}{2}$	6 2
Drying	23	13	10	Printing and photography	10	9	15
Electricity and magnetism	22	11	33	Pumps and sprayers (except rotary pumps)	16	17	11
Engines (air, gas, and oil)	22	52	43		į		
" (steam), including rotary pumps	9	12	11	Railways and tramways Roads and ways (including road-	34 7	$\frac{16}{2}$	2 0
" (miscellaneous and engine accessories) including current motors, solar	26	41	38	watering) Seed-dressing, chaff-cutting, and	5	3	9
motors, tide motors,		!		threshing	i		
wave motors, wind- mills, miscellaneous				Seed-sowers	6 8	4 9	8 14
motors				Sheep and cattle (including veteri-	18	16	25
Explosives, firearms, and targets	35	$\frac{25}{15}$	15 10	nary appliances)	3	4	
animals)	1.5	1.,	10	Sheep shearing and clipping Shop and hotel fittings	11	14	4 6
,	10	0	1 10	Stationery and paper	32	28	28
Fencing	19 4	8 5	$\frac{12}{6}$	Telephony and telegraphy (including	24	26	18
Fibre-dressing (including rope- making)	15	24	19	phonographs) Tobacco	2	4	8
Filters	2	1	5		_	-	
Fire alarms, escapes, ladders, and	9	3	2	Valves and cocks	9	3	2
extinguishers Food	6	7	20	venicles	32 34	31 26	54 37
Furnaces and kilns (including smoke- consumers)	5	23	14	Ventilating	5	5	••
Furniture and upholstery, desks,	55	51	42	Washing and cleansing	17	15	13
blinds, curtains, &c.				Water-supplying Wearing-apparel	$\frac{7}{27}$	$egin{array}{c} 6 \ 21 \end{array}$	$\frac{2}{25}$
Gas-manufacture for lighting, heat- ing, or power purposes	14	10	10	Wools and hides	6	10	12
ing, or power purposes				Miscellaneous inventions not in	4	10	11
Harness (including horse, &c., covers)	17	4	20	other classes, as indiarubber-			
Harvesting and grading Heating and fuel-manufacture	6 25	13 34	8 37	manufacture, fishing-appliances, &c.		•	
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^{*} Prior to 1911, milking-machines were included in class "Dairying," but are now a separate class.

Note.—Owing to some inventions being classified under more than one heading, the figures will total rather more than the actual number of applications received.