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Ottawa, December 5, 1923. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued to-day a bulletin giving (1) the area, yield and value of the Root and Fodder Crops of Canada, and (2) the numbers of FARM Live Stock in Canada by provinces, as estimated from returns collected in June last from about 160,000 farmers, under arrangements made between the Dominion and Provincial Governments.

ROOT AND FODDER CROPS OF CANADA, 1923.

Potato Harvest of 1923.- The area planted in potatoes this year is estimated at 580,942 acres, as compared with 683,594 acres in 1922, a decrease of 122,652 acres, or 18 p.c. The decrease is fairly general in each province of the Dominion. The yield per acre for 1923 is provisionally placed at 108¾ cwt., as against only 81½ cwt. last year; so that the total yield amounts to 61,066,700 cwt., as compared with 55,745,300 cwt. in 1922. The yield per acre for 1923, together with the total yield is subject to final revision. On the basis of the present estimate, the total value of the potato crop is estimated at $62,652,000, as against $50,320,000 in 1922, an average per cwt. of $1.03 in 1923, as against 90 cents in 1922.

Other Root and Fodder Crops.- The area under turnips, mangolds, etc., is returned as 194,512 acres, as compared with 224,256 acres in 1922, a decrease of 29,744 acres, or 13 p.c. The yield per acre for 1923 is placed at 216 cwt., as against 196 cwt. in 1922, and the total yield at 42,018,700 cwt. as against 43,973,500 cwt.; but the yields for 1923 are, as in the case of potatoes, provisional only, being subject to final revision. The value of these root crops is provisionally estimated at $26,533,000, as compared with $23,886,000 in 1922, representing 63 cents per cwt., as compared with 54 cents per cwt. last year. The estimated yield of hay and clover is 14,660,300 tons from 9,725,602 acres, as compared with 14,488,200 tons from 10,001,667 acres in 1922, an average per acre of 1½ ton as against 1.45 ton last year. The total value of the hay and clover crop is estimated at $166,298,000, as compared with $194,950,000 last year, an average per ton of $11.34, as against $13.46. Alfalfa yields 912,400 tons from 391,116 acres, or an average per acre of 2.35 tons, as compared with last year's yield of 806,400 tons from 305,933 acres, or an average of 2.65 tons. The value of the crop is $10,875,000, or $11.92 per ton, as compared with $10,295,000, or $12.77 per ton. The yield of fodder corn is 5,135,600 tons from 659,070 acres, as compared with 5,879,000 tons from 654,624 acres last year, the yields per acre being respectively 7¾ and 9 tons. The value for 1923 is $25,796,000, as against $29,197,600, or practically $5 per ton in each case. Sugar beets yielded 188,600 tons from 22,450 acres, an average of 8.40 tons, as compared with 190,400 tons from 20,725 acres, or 9.20 tons per acre in 1922. The total value is $1,226,000, as against $1,500,000 in 1922, an average per ton of $6.50 as against $7.88.

Total Area and Value of Root and Fodder Crops.- Altogether, and including potatoes, the area of the root and fodder crops of 1923 is 11,553,692 acres, as against 11,890,799 acres in 1922, and the total value is $293,380,000, as against $310,148,600 in 1922.

NUMBERS OF FARM LIVE STOCK, 1923.

The numbers of farm live stock as in June last are estimated as follows, the corresponding numbers for 1922 being given within brackets: Horses 3,530,641 (3,648,871); mules 8,722 (9,202); cattle 9,246,231 (9,719,869); sheep 2,753,860 (3,283,525); swine 4,405,316 (3,915,684); poultry 45,469,292 (43,445,718); rabbits in British Columbia 48,359 (51,623). All descriptions of farm live stock show therefore a decrease in 1923, excepting swine and poultry, which have increased. In addition to these totals, the following figures represent the numbers of farm animals on the Indian Reserves in 1923, as collected from the Indian Agents by cooperation with the Department of Indian Affairs; Horses 1,544; mules 5; cattle 42,681; sheep 2,550; swine 6,933; poultry 91,299; rabbits 110. By provinces horses and sheep show a decrease in

every province except in British Columbia, which shows an increase. Cattle have increased in Ontario and in British Columbia, but have decreased in all the other provinces. Swine show a decrease in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, but an increase in every other province. Poultry show an increase in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, but a decrease in the Atlantic Provinces, Quebec and Manitoba. For all Canada, the different descriptions of farm poultry are as follows, last year's figures being given within brackets: Hens 41,356,119 (39,948,029); turkeys 2,105,483 (1,590,281); geese 961,203 (947,269); ducks 1,046,487 (958,139).

Numbers of Farm Live Stock in Canada by provinces, 1922 and 1923.

CLASSIFICATION: Horses - Stallions, Mares and Geldings 2 years old and over; Colts and Fillies under 2 years. Cattle - Bulls for breeding; Milch cows; Calves under 1 year; Steers 2 years old and over; All other cattle.

Description	1922	1923
CANADA -	No.	No.
Horses:		
Stallions	46,682	39,156
Mares	1,689,519	1,653,685
Geldings	1,514,159	1,498,750
Colts & fillies	398,511	339,050
Total	3,648,871	3,530,641
Mules	9,202	8,722
Cattle:		
Bulls	278,570	261,144
Milch cows	3,745,804	3,659,365
Calves	2,170,152	2,042,227
Steers	803,900	733,816
Other cattle	2,721,443	2,549,679
Total	9,719,869	9,246,231
Swine:		
Brood sows	569,176	626,133
All other pigs	3,346,508	3,779,183
Total	3,915,684	4,405,316
Poultry:		
Hens	39,948,029	41,356,119
Turkeys	1,590,281	2,105,483
Geese	947,269	961,203
Ducks	958,139	1,046,487
Total	43,443,718	45,469,292
Rabbits (B.C. only)	51,623	48,359
Sheep	1,824,851	1,505,328
Lambs	1,438,674	1,248,532
Total	3,263,525	2,753,860
P.E.ISLAND:		
Horses:		
Stallions	67	45
Mares	16,875	16,536
Geldings	12,622	12,723
Colts & fillies	3,266	3,010
Total	32,830	32,314
Cattle:		
Bulls	2,744	2,476
Milch cows	51,613	50,465
Calves	24,062	20,957
Steers	5,544	5,050
Other cattle	59,979	51,630
Total	143,942	130,578
Sheep	59,244	46,781
Lambs	46,459	37,152
Total	105,703	83,933
P.E.ISLAND (con.)		
Swine:		
Brood sows	5,125	6,450
All other pigs	32,226	35,561
Total	37,351	42,011
Poultry:		
Hens	781,745	760,364
Turkeys	12,751	12,284
Geese	34,882	33,354
Ducks	16,295	21,448
Total	845,673	827,450
NOVA SCOTIA -		
Horses:		
Stallions	1,124	1030
Mares	31,599	27,102
Geldings	23,425	19,577
Colts & fillies	2,766	2,084
Total	58,914	49,793
Cattle:		
Bulls	4,750	4,519
Milch cows	144,937	129,161
Calves	59,486	50,610
Steers	34,589	26,933
Other cattle	75,940	59,825
Total	319,702	271,048
Sheep	185,987	140,479
Lambs	143,358	118,058
Total	329,345	258,537
Swine -		
Brood sows	7,294	7,203
All other pigs	40,210	36,831
Total	47,504	44,034
Poultry:		
Hens	910,205	803,321
Turkeys	9,519	7,775
Geese	17,311	12,979
Ducks	12,770	22,810
Total	949,805	851,885
NEW BRUNSWICK -		
Horses:		
Stallions	3,324	1,783
Mares	35,810	26,171
Geldings	27,307	20,255
Colts & fillies	3,711	2,435
Total	70,152	50,644
Cattle:		
Bulls	9,440	7,119
Milch cows	146,054	106,076
Calves	61,874	43,955
Steers	25,934	12,345
Other cattle	59,813	43,406
Total	303,115	212,901

NEW BRUNSWICK (con)-		
Sheep	127,886	97,447
Lambs	108,145	70,387
Total	236,031	167,833
Swine:		
Brood sows	19,180	14,054
All other pigs	66,080	52,128
Total	85,260	66,182
Poultry:		
Hens	1,168,619	852,779
Turkeys	44,282	38,170
Geese	25,057	16,936
Ducks	13,538	9,950
Total	1,251,495	917,835
QUEBEC -		
Horses:		
Stallions	7,883	4,167
Mares	177,308	165,379
Geldings	155,423	152,663
Colts & fillies	27,976	19,442
Total	368,590	341,651
Cattle:		
Bulls	99,924	91,876
Milch cows	1,006,992	968,705
Calves	384,561	358,823
Steers	49,248	45,683
Other cattle	317,665	316,664
Total	1,858,390	1,781,751
Sheep	567,095	463,538
Lambs	423,823	359,459
Total	990,918	822,997
Swine:		
Brood sows	105,687	110,434
All other pigs	623,239	687,292
Total	728,926	797,726
Poultry:		
Hens	6,117,723	6,096,680
Turkeys	206,659	208,549
Geese	125,247	114,286
Ducks	68,673	62,741
Total	6,518,302	6,482,256
ONTARIO -		
Horses:		
Stallions	3,569	3,562
Mares	350,998	348,266
Geldings	272,442	268,381
Colts & fillies	58,843	53,162
Total	685,852	673,371
Cattle:		
Bulls	69,077	69,308
Milch cows	1,235,565	1,265,965
Calves	626,353	626,553
Steers	234,049	225,559
Other cattle	671,037	650,702
Total	2,836,181	2,838,087
Sheep	501,819	464,549
Lambs	485,298	443,124
Total	986,617	907,673
Swine:		
Brood sows	198,871	224,511
All other pigs	1,354,563	1,510,223
Total	1,553,434	1,734,734
Poultry:		
Hens	12,740,844	13,921,724
Turkeys	336,447	364,425
Geese	446,487	467,749
Ducks	440,539	449,486
Total	13,964,317	15,203,384

MANITOBA -		
Horses:		
Stallions	5,020	5,073
Mares	173,590	171,438
Geldings	154,389	149,747
Colts & fillies	41,633	36,149
Total	374,632	362,407
Cattle:		
Bulls	17,708	16,386
Milch cows	252,245	253,715
Calves	173,324	164,240
Steers	75,810	60,153
Other cattle	221,653	197,217
Total	740,740	691,711
Sheep	61,539	51,010
Lambs	51,324	42,152
Total	112,863	93,162
Swine:		
Brood sows	34,976	47,557
All other pigs	200,238	243,679
Total	235,214	291,236
Poultry:		
Hens	3,250,990	2,959,221
Turkeys	210,709	200,118
Geese	73,833	58,836
Ducks	76,576	70,876
Total	3,612,108	3,289,051
SASKATCHEWAN -		
Horses:		
Stallions	13,892	13,519
Mares	508,416	509,562
Geldings	489,162	497,425
Colts & fillies	132,032	116,795
Total	1,143,502	1,137,301
Mules	8,907	8,574
Cattle:		
Bulls	33,423	33,325
Milch cows	456,006	403,813
Calves	398,240	376,469
Steers	173,668	204,840
Other cattle	541,449	516,640
Total	1,602,786	1,535,087
Sheep	127,598	79,483
Lambs	64,339	57,757
Total	191,937	137,240
Swine:		
Brood sows	88,284	102,712
All other pigs	474,785	577,155
Total	563,069	679,867
Poultry:		
Hens	7,705,102	7,996,868
Turkeys	419,069	675,303
Geese	121,530	148,208
Ducks	210,255	281,373
Total	8,455,950	9,101,752
ALBERTA -		
Horses:		
Stallions	11,009	9,204
Mares	372,655	365,291
Geldings	358,069	354,999
Colts & fillies	121,583	99,649
Total	863,316	829,143
Cattle:		
Bulls	36,294	30,939
Milch cows	392,037	410,242
Calves	393,502	352,470
Steers	205,058	153,253
Other cattle	626,151	574,020
Total	1,653,042	1,520,924

ALBERTA (con.)		
Sheep	166,012	143,517
Lambs	94,354	95,657
Total	260,366	239,174
Swine:		
Brood sows	102,921	106,268
All other pigs	520,267	600,413
Total	623,188	706,681
Poultry:		
Hens	5,421,699	5,857,560
Turkeys	357,336	580,510
Geese	89,724	93,686
Ducks	86,536	98,455
Total	5,935,295	6,630,163

BRITISH COLUMBIA -		
Horses:		
Stallions	794	773
Mares	22,268	23,940
Geldings	21,320	22,980
Colts & fillies	6,701	6,324
Total	51,083	54,017
Mules	295	148

BRITISH COLUMBIA (con.)		
Cattle:		
Bulls	5,210	5,196
Milch cows	60,255	71,223
Calves	48,750	48,150
Steers	-	-
Other cattle	147,756	139,575
Total	261,971	264,144
Sheep	28,171	28,530
Lambs	21,574	24,806
Total	49,745	53,336
Swine:		
Brood sows	6,838	6,944
All other pigs	34,900	35,901
Total	41,738	42,845
Poultry:		
Hens	1,851,102	2,102,602
Turkeys	13,515	18,349
Geese	13,198	15,217
Ducks	32,957	29,348
Total	1,910,772	2,165,516
Rabbits	51,623	48,359

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