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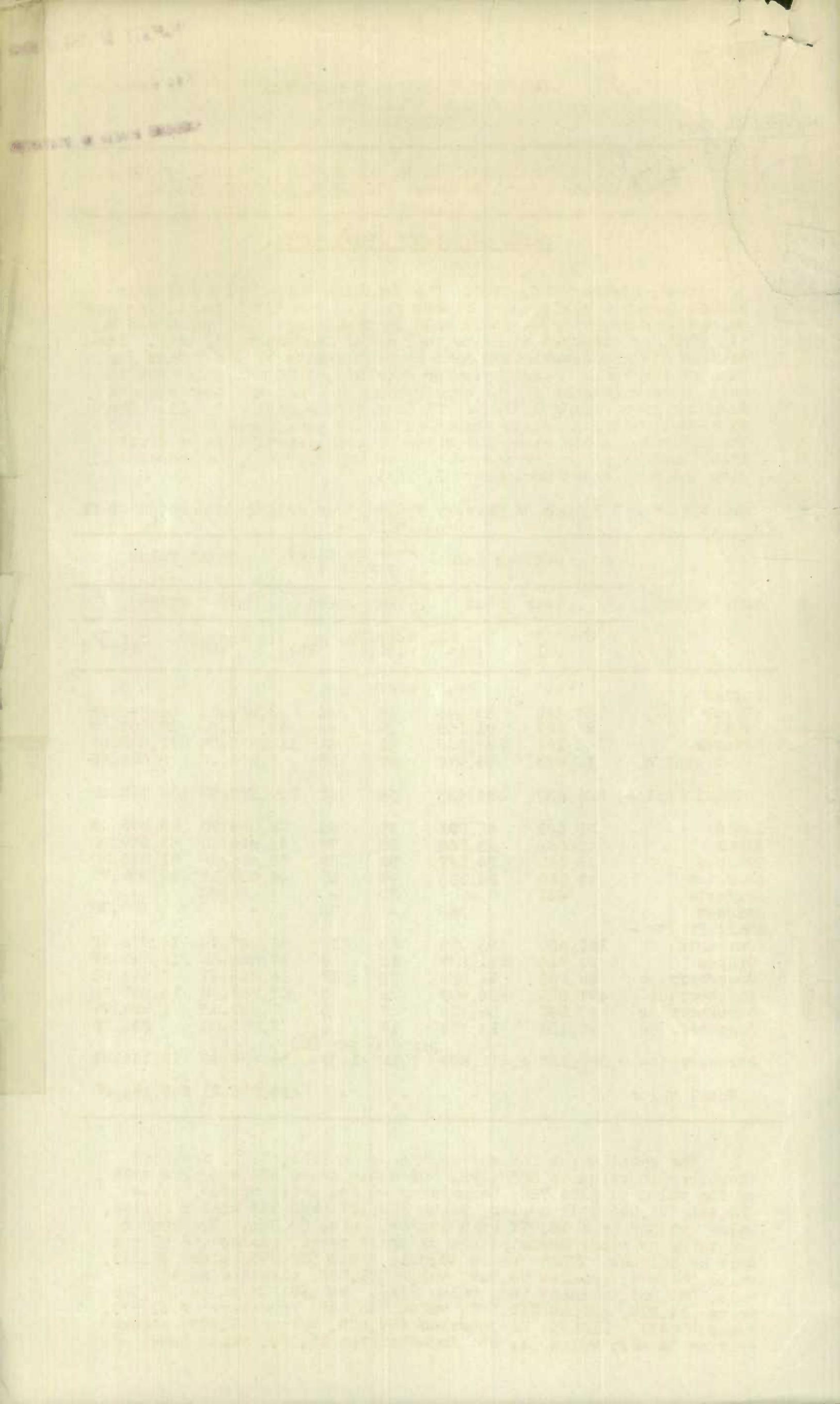
SALES OF NURSERY FRUIT STOCK.

Ottawa, November 20, 1923. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics issued to-day a preliminary report showing the total quantities and values of nursery fruit stock sold in Canada for the year ended May 31, 1923, as compared with the year ended September 30, 1921. Statistics of this description have been collected by the Bureau for each of the years ended September 30, 1919, 1920 and 1921; but to suit the convenience of the nurserymen, the year has been changed from the year ending September 30 to the year ending May 31. The data now published relate therefore to the year ended May 31, and the following table shows the sales of each description of fruit tree, bush or plant for the year ended May 31, 1923, as compared with the year ended September 30, 1921.

Quantities and Values of Nursery Fruit Stock sold in Canada, 1920-21, and 1922-23.

Description	Quantities sold		Average price per unit		Total Value	
	Year ended		Year ended		Year ended	
	Sept. 30, 1921	May 31, 1923	Sept. 30, 1921	May 31, 1923	Sept. 30, 1921	May 31, 1923
Apples -	No.	No.	cents	cents	\$	\$
Early	57,419	60,146	57	44	32,674.11	26,444.95
Fall	94,167	91,365	59	43	55,391.53	39,157.35
Winter	222,161	228,845	51	41	112,435.98	93,535.55
Crab apples	12,883	16,077	67	35	8,676.10	5,624.55
Total apples	386,630	396,433	54	42	209,177.72	164,762.40
Pears	35,289	45,091	79	53	28,026.70	23,995.45
Plums	49,684	43,268	90	78	44,819.10	33,677.30
Peaches	45,643	76,247	56	28	25,426.45	21,035.20
Cherries	47,020	64,335	99	62	46,608.15	40,036.79
Apricots	442	-	20	-	88.40	-
Quinces	-	360	-	33	-	120.00
Small Fruits -			per 100	per 100		
Currants	161,460	153,029	20	10	32,847.70	14,918.73
Grapes	93,914	211,337	19	9	17,838.52	18,249.37
Gooseberries	68,236	61,530	25	12	16,945.57	7,411.31
Raspberries	497,823	435,908	6	3	27,962.82	16,593.25
Blackberries	40,542	36,429	7	6	2,959.43	1,994.97
Loganberries	42,100	13,329	17	6	7,565.00	854.26
Strawberries	3,059,187	1,411,805	1.18	1.07	36,206.65	15,114.31
Total value	-	-	-	-	496,272.21	359,194.82

The total sales for the year ended May 31, 1923, amounted therefore in value to \$359,195. Of apple trees 396,433 were sold of the value of \$164,762, comprising 60,146 early apples, value \$26,445; 91,365 fall apples, value \$39,157; 228,845 winter apples, value \$93,535, and 16,077 crab apples, value \$5,624. The number and value of other descriptions of fruit trees, bushes and plants were as follows: TREES: Pears 45,091, value \$23,995; plums 43,268, value \$33,677; peaches 76,247, value \$21,035; cherries 64,335, value \$40,037; quinces 360, value \$120. BUSHES: Currants 153,029, value \$14,918; grapes 211,337, value \$18,249; gooseberries 61,530, value \$7,411. PLANTS: Raspberries 497,823, value \$16,593; blackberries 36,429, value \$1,994; loganberries 13,329, value \$854;



strawberries 1,411,895, value \$15,114. The average wholesale price per unit is as follows: Apples from 35 to 44 cents; pears 53 cents; plums 78 cents; peaches 28 cents; cherries 68 cents; quinces 53 cents; currants 10 cents; grapes 9 cents; gooseberries 12 cents; raspberries 3 cents; blackberries 7 cents; loganberries 6 cents; strawberries \$1.07 per 100 plants. All these prices are considerably less than were reported for the year ended September 30, 1921. The figures include returns from the principal nurserymen throughout Canada, but are subject to final revision after receipt of a few outstanding forms.

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