

the estimated numbers of horses, cattle, sheep and swine for 1911 and the three previous years 1908-10:<sup>1</sup>

Estimated numbers of live stock, 1908-11.

Live stock	1911	1910	1909	1908
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Horses.....	2,266,400	2,213,199	2,132,489	2,118,165
Milch cows.....	2,876,600	2,853,951	2,849,306	2,917,746
Other cattle.....	4,210,000	4,260,963	4,384,779	4,629,836
Sheep.....	2,389,300	2,598,470	2,705,390	2,831,404
Swine.....	2,792,200	2,753,964	2,912,509	3,369,858

The condition of live stock in Canada has remained generally satisfactory throughout the year.

At the end of March Dr. William Saunders, C.M.G., in consequence of advancing years, retired from the office of Director of the Dominion Experimental Farms, a post which he had held since the establishment of the farms in 1886. The vacancy thus created was filled by the promotion on April 1 of Mr. J. H. Grisdale from the office of Agriculturist to that of Director. The original five experimental farms have increased to 11 and now consist of the central farm at Ottawa and of 10 branch farms, viz., Charlottetown, P. E. I., Nappan, N.S., Cap Rouge, Que., Brandon, Man., Indian Head, Rosthern and Scott, Sask., Lacombe and Lethbridge, Alta., and Agassiz, B. C.

At the first annual Land Show of the American Land and Irrigation Exposition, held at New York, November 3-12, a prize of \$1,000 in gold for the best 100 lb. of hard red wheat, spring or winter, grown on either continent of America during 1910 or 1911, was gained by a Canadian farmer, Mr. Seager Wheeler, of Rosthern, Saskatchewan, with a sample of Marquis wheat, the new variety produced at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. A silver cup, value \$1,000, for the best exhibit of marketable late potatoes, was awarded at the same show to Mr. Asahel Smith, of Ladner, B.C.

Statistics collected by the Forestry Branch of the Department of the Interior and published in the Department's annual report for the fiscal year 1910-11 show that the total quantity of timber cut in Canadian forests during 1909 was 2,896,000,000 cubic feet of the estimated value at the point of manufacture of \$166,000,000. The report states that owing to the very great waste in the utilisation of wood in Canada only about one-half of the quantity named was actually put into use.

<sup>1</sup>The census records of live stock in Canada were not compiled at the time of printing this edition of the Year Book.