

5.—Dominion Lands Revenue for the fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1923-1929.

Sources of Receipts.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Homestead fees.....	53,460	38,640	36,500	46,900	57,700	72,551	161,899
Cash sales.....	414,279	404,952	410,222	467,601	544,874	732,324	785,661
Scrap sales.....	909	160	612	—	—	—	—
Timber dues.....	825,465	847,773	981,400	1,098,692	1,190,975	1,388,140	1,395,726
Hay permits, mining, stone quarries, etc., cash.....	823,183	723,763	639,749	793,358	1,084,695	963,164	1,197,890
All other receipts.....	314,480	338,559	425,384	473,646	540,310	607,230	611,112
Gross revenue.....	2,431,767	2,353,847	2,493,867	2,880,197	3,418,554	3,763,409	4,152,279
Refunds.....	83,152	71,983	102,881	76,684	91,280	74,334	81,940
Net revenue.....	2,348,615	2,281,864	2,390,986	2,803,513	3,327,273	3,689,075	4,070,339
Total Revenue, 1872 to date.	76,559,581	78,841,445	81,232,431	84,035,944	87,363,218	91,052,293	95,122,632
Letters patent for Dominion lands..... No.	6,973	5,317	4,304	5,484	5,543	5,490	6,015
Homestead entries..... "	5,343	3,843	3,653	4,685	5,760	7,233	16,157

Railway Lands.—In the early stages of the settlement of the Northwest, large grants of wild lands were made to the railway companies as subsidies (see Table 12 of the chapter on Transportation for details), while the Hudson's Bay Co., under the contract by which the Northwest Territories passed to the Dominion, retained one-twentieth of the lands of the fertile belt. Statistics have been compiled of the sales of land by these companies and the prices at which lands were sold in the fiscal years since 1893, the figures given in Table 6 throwing considerable light on the ups and downs in the settlement of the West. The maximum acreage was sold in 1903, and the maximum amount was received in 1918. It is noteworthy that the sales reached a low point for recent years in 1923, and in 1929 were almost seven times those for 1923. Details of sales by the different companies are given for the three latest fiscal years in Table 7. Their total sales since 1893 were 28,499,356 acres and the total amount received \$268,505,454, or an average of \$9.42 per acre.

6.—Land Sales by Railway Companies with Government Land Grants, and by the Hudson's Bay Company, fiscal years ended 1893-1929.

Years.	Total sales.		Average price per acre.	Years.	Total sales.		Average price per acre.
	Acres.	Amount.			Acres.	Amount.	
		\$	\$			\$	\$
1893.....	120,211	352,847	2.93	1912.....	1,329,390	18,224,419	13.70
1894.....	68,668	207,856	3.02	1913.....	707,149	9,867,155	13.95
1895.....	114,713	222,489	1.94	1914.....	501,575	7,398,191	14.75
1896.....	108,016	361,338	3.34	1915.....	192,801	3,279,031	17.01
1897.....	222,225	719,016	3.23	1916.....	354,886	5,435,949	15.32
1898.....	448,623	1,431,774	3.18	1917.....	755,154	12,357,377	16.35
1899.....	462,494	1,520,792	3.28	1918.....	1,116,237	20,887,600	18.71
1900.....	648,379	2,125,146	3.27	1919.....	1,038,657	18,148,736	17.47
1901.....	621,027	2,088,269	3.36	1920.....	1,026,157	19,188,225	18.69
1902.....	2,201,795	7,746,958	3.56	1921.....	553,630	10,860,756	19.61
1903.....	4,229,011	14,651,757	3.46	1922.....	155,239	2,633,572	16.96
1904.....	1,267,187	5,564,240	4.39	1923.....	123,303	1,864,364	15.12
1905.....	990,005	5,046,572	5.09	1924.....	159,795	2,460,057	15.39
1906.....	1,642,684	9,871,241	6.01	1925.....	247,405	3,700,938	14.95
1907 ¹	1,237,759	7,697,930	6.02	1926.....	457,822	5,594,216	13.01
1908.....	346,693	3,052,461	8.80	1927.....	666,479	8,295,685	12.45
1909.....	109,373	2,211,885	11.08	1928.....	783,604	9,259,759	11.82
1910.....	1,184,790	15,835,228	13.36	1929.....	859,769	9,858,688	11.46
1911.....	1,406,651	19,122,937	13.59				

¹Nine months to Mar. 31.