

**Homestead Entries.**—Table 1 gives the number of homestead entries and cancellations in the fiscal years from 1874 to 1931, providing a record of the growth of settlement in the Prairie Provinces. From 7,426 in 1900 the number of entries rose rapidly to 41,869 in 1906, declined to 21,647 in 1907, and rose again to more than twice that number in 1911. The largest number of "net" entries was made in 1906, when new entries exceeded cancellations by over 30,000. The record number of 44,479 entries in 1911 was offset by 22,122 cancellations, leaving "net" entries of 22,357. It is noteworthy that more homestead entries were made in 1930 than in any other year since 1915.

The number of grants made to soldiers during each of the fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1919 to 1931, was 1,643, 5,981, 2,892, 1,655, 1,212, 710, 584, 576, 468, 504, 742, 720 and 506 respectively. Entries by soldiers cancelled in the years 1919 to 1931 are included with those given in Table 1. Such cancellations from 1924 to 1931 numbered 630, 615, 510, 574, 819, 624, 746 and 363 respectively.

**1.—Number of Homestead Entries and Number of Homestead Cancellations from 1874 to Mar. 31, 1931.<sup>1</sup>**

NOTE.—From 1874 to 1894 the departmental years ended Oct. 31; from 1895 to 1899, Dec. 31; from 1900 to 1906, June 30; from 1907, Mar. 31.

Year.	Homesteads.		Year.	Homesteads.		Year.	Homesteads.	
	Number of Entries.	Number Cancelled.		Number of Entries.	Number Cancelled.		Number of Entries.	Number Cancelled.
1874.....	1,376	889	1893.....	4,067	899	1912.....	39,151	18,486
1875.....	499	303	1894.....	3,209	648	1913.....	33,699	17,101
1876.....	347	158	1895.....	2,394	683	1914.....	31,829	15,854
1877.....	845	457	1896.....	1,857	301	1915.....	24,088	12,351
1878.....	1,788	1,377	1897.....	2,384	1,090	1916.....	17,030	10,070
1879.....	4,068	2,045	1898.....	4,848	1,546	1917.....	11,199	9,570
1880.....	2,074	679	1899.....	6,689	1,746	1918.....	8,319	6,314
1881.....	2,753	937	1900.....	7,426	1,096	1919.....	4,227	4,115
1882.....	7,483	3,485	1901.....	8,167	1,682	1920.....	6,732	7,891
1883.....	6,063	1,818	1902.....	14,633	3,296	1921.....	5,389	7,336
1884.....	3,753	1,330	1903.....	31,383	5,208	1922.....	7,349	7,806
1885.....	1,858	597	1904.....	26,073	8,702	1923.....	5,343	7,061
1886.....	2,657	812	1905.....	30,819	11,296	1924.....	3,843	4,187
1887.....	2,036	459	1906.....	41,869	11,637	1925.....	3,653	4,171
1888.....	2,655	668	1907.....	21,647	14,110	1926.....	4,685	3,400
1889.....	4,416	639	1908.....	30,424	16,668	1927.....	5,760	5,899
1890.....	2,955	794	1909.....	39,061	14,677	1928.....	7,233	7,315
1891.....	3,523	934	1910.....	41,568	16,832	1929.....	16,157	6,632
1892.....	4,840	1,322	1911.....	44,479	22,122	1930.....	17,504	6,838
						1931 <sup>1</sup> .....	10,984	3,827

<sup>1</sup>The fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1931, includes only the period from Mar. 31, 1930 to Oct. 1, 1930, on which date the control of Crown lands in the western provinces was turned over to the respective Provincial Governments.

Table 2 is a statement of the homestead entries on Dominion lands in the years 1922 to 1931. Statistics of the origin of those making homestead entries in the fiscal years ended 1925 to 1931 are given in Table 3, and financial statistics of receipts from Dominion lands in Table 4.

The privilege of making pre-emptions or purchased homestead entries was withdrawn by Order in Council as from Mar. 20, 1918, confirmed by c. 19 of the Statutes of 1918, assented to May 24, 1918.