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TRADE OF CANADA CONTINUES BUOYANT

Total for 1913 reached Billion Dollar Mark--Increase of \$120,000,000--Exports Account for Larger Part of Growth--Financial Stringency Prevented Larger Increase

Ottawa, Feb. 1--According to figures issued by the trade and commerce department yesterday, the total trade of Canada for 1913, exclusive of coin and bullion, was \$1,119,578,117, an increase over 1912 of \$121,022,956. Of this increase \$23,469,290 was in imports and \$94,237,185 in exports of Canadian produce.

The largest increase in exports was in agricultural products, which showed a gain of nearly \$66,000,000. It may be noted also that there was an increase of some \$13,000,000 in the export of manufactured goods.

In the month of December alone, there was an increase of more than \$17,000,000 in agricultural products, and of nearly \$2,000,000 in manufactured products exported.

Although the increased trade noted above is large, it does not compare so favorably with the increase of 1912 over 1911. In 1912 the total trade increased by \$200,346,019. The increase in imports during 1912 was \$132,948,466 and in exports of domestic produce it was \$62,554,066.

Comparing the first nine months of the present fiscal year, with the corresponding nine months of 1912 and 1911, the checking of the rate of increase in trade, due to the general financial stringency, is much more apparent. For the first nine months of the present fiscal year the total trade was \$866,337,137, an increase of \$72,509,578, as compared with an increase of \$159,490,309 during the first nine months of the preceding fiscal year.

One feature of the Canadian trade with Great Britain last year was the marked decrease of exports of cheese and butter. Last year Canada sent to Great Britain 1,293,765 hundred-weight of cheese, valued at \$4,038,627, as compared with 1,349,570 hundred-weight, valued at \$4,347,832 in 1912. The decrease is 58,802 hundred-weight. Last year Canada sent only 81,300 pounds of butter to Great Britain, as compared with 6,193,600 in 1911.

IMPORTS SHOW BIG INCREASE FOR JANUARY

Free Goods Increased Upwards of Fifty Thousand Dollars--Duty Decreased

L. C. Macnutt, collector of customs at the port of Fredericton, has issued returns for the month of January, which show a big increase in imports over the corresponding month of 1913. The increase is composed largely of free goods. The increase in imports amounts to upwards of \$36,900. Duty decreased about \$3,300.

The returns are as follows:

JANUARY 1914.	
Free goods	\$93,617.00
Dutiable goods	14,525.00
Total value	\$108,142.00
Duty collected	\$ 3,265.91
JANUARY 1913.	
Free goods	\$41,606.00
Dutiable goods	30,357.00
Duty collected	\$71,963.00
Duty collected	\$ 6,908.83
Decrease in duty collected for January 1914 as compared with January 1913, \$3,342.92.	

ROYALTY TO VISIT PARIS

King George and Queen Mary Will Go in Month of April

French Capital Preparing for Cordial Reception--Will Visit President Poincare

London, Feb. 1--The Standard is officially informed that circumstances permitting, King George and Queen Mary will go to Paris to visit President Poincare in April next.

An interesting note in the Paris Figaro declares that the exact date is not yet fixed but that it is a fact that the visit is definitely settled and is certainly one of the happiest results of the French ambassador's stay at Windsor.

The program of the visit has not yet been arranged but it is understood to include an official reception at the station. The royal residence will probably be the British embassy, and from there the royal party will pay a visit to the Elysee, where the President will give an official banquet followed by another by the King. There will also be a review of the troops and a gala night at the opera in accordance with the precedent set by the late King Edward on his visit to President Loubet after the coronation in 1903.

OBSERVE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS

New York, Feb. 2--"Candlemas Day" was observed with special services in all the Catholic churches of New York today. This ecclesiastical festival was instituted by Pope Gelasius I in the year 492 in commemoration of the presentation of Christ in the temple and of the purification of the Virgin Mary. The festival is celebrated throughout the Christian world annually on February 2 and derives its name from the fact that in the Roman churches candles are blessed on this day and carried in procession in commemoration of the words of Simeon spoken of the infant Christ, "A Light to Lighten the Gentiles."

MINIMUM WAGE FOR WOMAN WORKERS

Portland, Ore., Feb. 2--Acting in the belief that a self-respecting woman cannot live in comfort on less than \$40 a month or work to her full efficiency if employed more than fifty one hours a week, the Industrial Welfare Commission today put into effect a ruling establishing the minimum wage and hours of labor for women office workers in this city. Two thousand women are affected by the ruling, the list of employments, including stenographers, bookkeepers, office clerks and cashiers in stores, moving picture theatres and other establishments.

BIG CUT IN EXPRESS RATES

Washington, D.C., Feb. 2--In accordance with the recent order of the Interstate Commerce Commission lower express rates were put into effect today throughout the country. The experts of the commission estimate that the reduction in charges averages about seventeen per cent. The commission's order for reduced charges also requires the various express companies to comply with some new regulations for improved methods of service.

DUTY ON FARM MACHINERY MAY BE LOWERED

Public Opinion in the West Forcing Dominion Government to That Action--Rumored That Reduction Will be from 2 I-2 to 15 Per Cent--Conservatives Badly Scared by Increasing Strength of Liberals--Canadian Manufacturers Still to be Protected

Ottawa, Feb. 1--That the present session will see a reduction in the duties levied upon agricultural implements is a statement made to your correspondent today by a Conservative, in close touch with the government leaders.

It has been known of course, that some of the western provinces supporting the government have been pressing for action of this kind in the hope that such a move would lessen the strength of the tide in favor of Liberalism in the western provinces, but heretofore it has been understood that Mr. Borden and his colleagues had remained unfavorable to a step which would not be well received by their eastern manufacturing friends. Now, however, it is stated that the government is quite likely to make a slight reduction, hoping in this way to help the Conservative cause in the west and being careful not to have the reduction so slight that it will not seriously affect the profits of the implement makers.

One suggestion is that the reduction will be a cut of two and a half per cent., which would place the duty at the figures provided for by the reciprocity agreement. If the Liberals made no movement in regard to a greater cut in the implement duty at the present session the western Conservatives would thus be able to say to the farmers that the government had done as much for them in this regard as the Laurier administration had proposed to do.

There are those, however, who believe that the duty may be placed at a little below fifteen per cent. Those who hold to this view take the ground that if the duty is to be reduced at all the government will outdo the former Liberal proposals, believing that only in this way can there be any political advantage from action in the matter.

FEAR THE "INTERESTS."

It may be taken for granted that under no circumstances will the government do more than make a comparatively small reduction in the existing duty, though the source from which the present report comes gives fairly good ground for anticipating a fairly substantial cut in the duties.

The request of the Dominion Council of Agriculture for the abolition of the duty on farm machinery will, however, not be met by the government, no matter what else may be done. The manufacturing interests to which the government is tied up, have looked out for this.

Incidentally, it may be noted that Mr. Cockshutt, the Conservative member for Brantford, would have had something to say last week against the reduction of the implement duty if it had not been for some of the western Conservatives. At one time Mr. Cockshutt was slated to take part in the debate upon Dr. Neely's "free wheat" amendment to the address, but one of his characteristic high protectionist speeches was not what the western Tories wanted, and it is understood that he was called off at their demand.

As yet the Liberal position on the question of the implement duty has not been formally declared; this session though several opposition members have voiced a demand for the complete abolition of the present tax. It may be expected, however, that when the budget comes down the opposition will call for more than a slight cut. Events since 1911 have clearly demonstrated that the time has come for more vigorous action in respect to the duty on the farmers' machinery than seemed to be necessary when the reciprocity agreement was proposed and the Liberals are alive to the fact.

NEW TRIAL FOR CONVICTED WOMAN

Fulton, Mo., Jan. 31--The case of Mrs. Susan Ross accused of the murder of her husband, will come up in court Monday for its second trial. The first trial was held last September and resulted in a verdict of guilty and a sentence of ten years in the penitentiary. This verdict was set aside and a new trial granted by the court on the unusual ground that there was such a radical difference between the attorneys of Mrs. Ross in conducting the defense that the woman was not given a fair hearing before the jury.

DARK HORSE

There will be a surprise awaiting the Fredericton team if Marysville bring out the "Dark Horse" they expect to on Tuesday night. In all probability they will have a new goaler and with the other player the team will make a good bid to win. It is a known fact that Wilkie will not be with Fredericton on Thursday night.

POTATO EMBARGO WILL REMAIN THREE OR FOUR YEARS

Bangor, Me., Jan. 30--That it will be at least three or four years, and probably a great deal longer before New Brunswick potatoes, now barred from Maine under the embargo, will be allowed to enter is the opinion of C.E. Embree, of this city, the director of the bureau of marketing and supplies of the state agricultural department.

"If the people of New Brunswick who are raising potatoes, drop their present fields, take new lands, fumigate their seed with formaldehyde and use the most drastic measures in their control, it is possible that the powdery scab, and the black-knot which is now present in the province, can be eliminated in three or four years," says Mr. Embree. "If these measures are not employed and they attempt to fight the disease in their present fields I should say that it would be eight or nine years, and perhaps not then, before the disease is stamped out and this country will

be ready to receive their potatoes. "It is true that the province has declared an embargo on our Maine potatoes, but the effect of that will be little felt as the chief sale of the Maine product over the line has been in comparatively small quantity for seed purposes.

The best way of eliminating the disease is by turning the potato fields where it exists over to mowing land. Grass furnishes nothing for the disease to live upon, and it dies out. In this we see the value of crop rotation, which is practiced by the progressive grower."

Mr. Embree is an authority on potatoes, and it was he that started the plan of co-operation among the farmers of Maine engaged in the potato business. This plan, which led to the organization of the Maine Farmers' Union, has been adopted by the state and Mr. Embree has been placed in charge, the bureau of marketing and supplies being created for that purpose.

JOINT WAGE SCALE CONFERENCE BEGINS

MONEY SURPLUS HELPS MARKET

Apprehension Over Future Legislation In United States Has Ceased

Waiting to see if Lower Tariff Will Injure Home Industries--Growing Demand for Stocks

New York, Feb. 2--The general improvements in the financial world have been of a constructive nature. The most influential of these no doubt, has been the growing surplus of money at the large financial centres of the world, enlarging the strength of the foreign banks. Perhaps the only cloud upon the horizon at this time is the element of uncertainty furnished by the December foreign trade statement. It is clear that the reduction in the tariff has enormously increased purchases of the foreign goods. It remains to be seen therefore, whether this competition will effect United States home industries. The country seems to have taken the President at his word when he assured the business community that the day of hostility to business interests was over and the forthcoming legislation created little or no apprehension. There is a substantial and growing investment demand for stocks and bonds and while the potential supply of new issues is a large one and must be reckoned on estimates of the full movement of prices, the general level of securities is still low enough to warrant still higher prices.

(Quotations by J. C. Mackintosh & Co., Bankers and Brokers.)

	Open	Close
Copper	73 1/2	77 1/2
Smelters	68	68 1/2
C.P.R.	219 1/2	218 1/2
Brooklyn	91 1/2	91
Great Northern	132 1/2	133
Tobacco	25 1/2	25 1/2
Northern Pacific	117 1/2	117 1/2
Reading	169	169 1/2
Pennsylvania	113 1/2	113 1/2
Union Pacific	163 1/2	164
U.S. Steel	66 1/2	66 1/2
Sales to 11 a.m., 150,200 shares.		

BRITISH LIBERALS WON THREE CORNERED FIGHT

London, Eng., Jan. 31--The by-election in Northwest Durham resulted in the return of A. Williams, Liberal, who received a vote of 7,241. J. O. Hardicker, Unionist candidate received 5,684 and J. H. Stewart, the Labor candidate, 5,025. The Liberal plurality was therefore 1,577.

The Liberal majority in the last election, when there was a straight fight between Liberals and Unionists, was 4,171.

This was the first three-cornered contest in the constituency. The home rule question was much in evidence, as there is a strong Irish vote in the riding and between five and six hundred Orangemen on the register.

U. N. B. TEAM PLAYS ST. JOHN TOMORROW

There is a difference of opinion as to who will represent the University of New Brunswick in their first game here on Tuesday night, but it is stated that the line up will in all probability be as follows: Vawter, goal; Asker, point; Malmonson, cover point; McLean, rover; Hipwell or Lockary, centre; Pugh, right wing; Oldham or Edington, left wing.

They will go up against the St. John team of the Interprovincial Hockey League.

Union painters in San Francisco demand \$5.00 a day.

Nine Operators and Miners Meet at Philadelphia Today--Radical Demands for Increased Wages Not Expected Re-adjustment of Scale Desired by Miners--Success Probable

Philadelphia, Feb. 1--The advance guard of coal mine operators and miners reached Philadelphia today in anticipation of the meeting of the joint wage scale conference, which will begin its deliberations tomorrow. The conference will endeavor to agree upon wages and conditions of labor to govern the central competitive field, which is composed of Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The new agreement will come into effect on April 1, on which date the present agreement will expire. Unofficial statements made by both operators and miners afford ground for the belief that less difficulty will be encountered in reaching an agreement this year than has been the case in some previous years. The miners are said to appreciate the fact that the present condition of the mining industry is not such as to warrant any radical demands for increased wages. They desire a readjustment of the present scale along certain lines and will also demand other modifications in the present agreement. But the most of these are of a comparatively unimportant nature and it is believed that no point is likely to arise in the negotiations on which a failure to agree might lead to a general strike.

NO SUBURBAN TRAINS TO BE OPERATED BY C. P. R.

Supt. Sherwood Says There Will be No Train Over Spur Line

"Not a word of truth in it," was reply of Supt. Sherwood of the Fredericton-Norton division of the C.P.R. when asked by the Mail today whether or not that division was to operate a suburban service over the Marysville spur-line, as has been rumored.

With the C.P.R. not intending to operate a suburban service, the people of Marysville who are greatly inconvenienced by the cutting off of four of the ten suburban trains heretofore by the Intercolonial Railway, have no relief in sight. The first order regarding the curtailed suburban service which begins today contained an error. The late trains are cancelled by the corrected order but the train leaving Fredericton at 6.40 p.m. and that returning from Marysville shortly after 7 p.m. are to be run. By this service Marysville people will be able to come to this city by train early in the evening but will be unable to return by train.

A determined protest is being made by all persons affected by the change and H.F. McLeod, M.P., is being kept busy listening to complaints concerning the matter.

HORSES RECLASSIFIED

At the week-end meeting of the Fredericton Driving Club the horses were classified as before, with the exception of P. S. Watson's colt, Will Be Sure. The horses are well classified and some good racing is expected on Tuesday afternoon.

MILITIA ORDERS.

Militia orders gazetted on Saturday last announce the appointment of Raymond Vince Jones to a provisional lieutenant in the 10th Woodstock Field Artillery. Lieut. H. R. Emerson, 8th Hussars, having been appointed as Signalling Officer, is confirmed in the appointment.