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**MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA**

MARCH, 1934

Canadian railways carried 5,786,276 tons of revenue freight during March which was 1,511,479 tons, or 35.4 per cent, more than they handled in 1933 and 429,378 tons, or 8 per cent, greater than the total for March, 1932. Freight loaded at Canadian stations was 912,658 tons, or 30.8 per cent, heavier than in 1933, imports increased by 244,460 tons, or 36.9 per cent, and in-transit freight, largely from United States to United States stations, increased by 354,361 tons, or 54.3 per cent. Wheat shipments were lighter than in March 1933 by 241,458 tons, or 8,048,600 bushels. Rye and flaxseed also showed decreases, but all other agricultural products were heavier, particularly corn, oats, other mill products, hay and straw and potatoes. Animal products showed an increase of 16,361 tons, or 8.9 per cent, 10,117 tons of which was in in-transit freight. Mine products showed some large increases, the total of 1,904,637 tons being 656,771 tons, or 52.6 per cent, greater than the 1933 total. Other ores and concentrates were heavier by 110,544 tons or 35.1 per cent, bituminous coal increased by 248,288 tons or 39.7 per cent and anthracite coal increased by 85,580 tons or 50.7 per cent. Forest products showed an increase of 388,971 tons or 80 per cent, all commodities listed except ties being heavier than in 1933. Manufactures and miscellaneous freight amounted to 1,567,191 tons, or 513,807 tons more than in March last year. Sugar showed a decrease of 18,714 tons, or 37.6 per cent, loadings decreasing by 17,041 tons, or 46 per cent, undoubtedly affected by an anticipated reduction in the excise tax. Gasoline, sewer pipe and drain tile, other paper, fish and canned goods also showed small decreases, but all other commodities were substantially heavier than in 1933. Automobile loadings and imports more than doubled and the in-transit freight increased by 100,758 tons, or 200 per cent. Iron and steel increased by 59,752 tons, or 250 per cent, pig iron by 22,655 tons, or 51 per cent, newsprint paper by 73,536 tons, or 67 per cent, and wood pulp by 21,151 tons, or 42 per cent.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

PROVINCES	February	March	March	March
	1934	1934	1933	1932
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
Prince Edward Island	14,829	25,315	13,904	15,975
Nova Scotia	400,248	506,736	300,571	374,581
New Brunswick	211,124	227,085	179,053	209,571
Quebec	769,033	916,085	566,301	756,582
Ontario	2,206,441	2,745,035	1,763,214	2,417,148
Manitoba	230,123	261,446	245,212	258,929
Saskatchewan	326,015	324,485	389,538	295,165
Alberta	450,900	476,709	605,505	689,373
British Columbia	289,665	303,380	211,499	339,574
Total for Canada	4,898,378	5,786,276	4,274,797	5,356,898
<u>PRODUCTS</u>				
Agricultural	1,071,685	1,239,630	1,304,061	1,208,581
Animal	182,110	199,841	183,480	179,284
Mine	1,760,716	1,904,637	1,247,866	1,846,341
Forest	695,586	874,977	486,006	725,449
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,188,281	1,567,191	1,053,384	1,397,243
GRAND TOTAL	4,898,378	5,786,276	4,274,797	5,356,898

REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1934

NO.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from Foreign Connections		Total For Month	Increase over March 1933 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Destined to				To Date	Increase over 1933 (Decrease -)		
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points						
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
<u>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</u>										
1.	Wheat	432,646	97	4,775	437,518	- 241,458	1,251,218	- 325,834	204,515	232,417
2.	Corn	3,265	6,652	48,260	58,177	23,478	147,229	41,382	10,130	47,567
3.	Oats	103,098	984	11,089	115,171	31,250	309,804	144,425	94,897	18,253
4.	Barley	26,221	347	2,341	28,909	6,782	97,273	53,738	24,823	4,543
5.	Rye	1,262	...	161	1,423	- 5,342	3,854	- 6,207	1,230	192
6.	Flaxseed	756	1,119	174	2,049	- 2,219	2,984	- 3,384	1,875	174
7.	Other Grain	1,940	892	2,117	4,949	655	13,128	27	2,015	2,892
8.	Flour	91,613	538	45,842	137,993	423	384,597	8,931	52,043	90,732
9.	Other Mill Products	91,405	2,130	57,287	150,822	30,529	405,778	92,988	84,015	64,790
10.	Hay and Straw	65,541	293	4,488	70,322	35,584	164,994	85,670	62,563	6,436
11.	Cotton	852	8,009	2,803	11,664	5,740	31,480	10,856	7,980	2,808
12.	Apples (fresh)	17,999	42	3,741	21,782	2,441	106,404	40,268	6,043	15,687
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	536	11,888	6,540	18,964	1,464	47,898	- 270	12,460	6,573
14.	Potatoes	55,199	32	15,316	70,547	20,467	181,131	58,415	24,337	46,018
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	9,704	12,418	11,260	33,382	4,980	82,011	13,560	16,408	17,360
16.	Other Agricultural Products	22,689	13,907	39,362	75,958	20,795	208,877	64,602	27,705	47,361
	Total	924,726	59,348	255,556	1,239,630	- 64,431	3,438,660	279,167	633,039	603,803
<u>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u>										
17.	Horses	5,727	63	457	6,247	2,115	12,955	6,033	5,822	551
18.	Cattle and Calves	30,635	101	1,549	32,285	2,466	93,259	15,720	28,254	3,928
19.	Sheep	1,431	18	1,155	2,604	- 251	9,287	- 1,459	1,424	1,169
20.	Hogs	18,738	212	3,423	22,373	- 2,035	70,999	4,202	19,019	3,434
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	5,602	49	33,011	38,662	1,401	125,667	13,298	5,377	33,236
22.	Dressed Meats (cured, salted, canned)	9,051	459	10,144	19,654	6,468	50,783	15,298	2,517	16,859
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	5,807	1,380	11,215	18,402	1,296	53,197	- 3,365	4,721	12,452
24.	Poultry	343	122	4,901	5,366	- 759	20,977	- 887	340	4,937
25.	Eggs	746	...	13,333	14,079	1,303	31,433	2,693	678	13,355
26.	Butter	1,142	1,017	13,066	15,225	- 4	43,277	- 563	2,159	13,065
27.	Cheese	621	18	2,641	3,280	- 1,030	11,777	641	523	2,787
28.	Wool	676	1,915	868	3,459	1,001	10,379	2,181	2,549	939
29.	Hides and Leather	4,073	868	4,975	9,916	1,989	29,131	3,421	3,819	6,047
30.	Other Animal Products (Non-edible)	2,886	2,302	3,101	8,289	2,401	23,561	4,347	3,894	3,747
	Total	87,478	8,524	103,839	199,841	16,361	586,682	61,560	81,136	116,506
<u>MINE PRODUCTS</u>										
31.	Anthracite Coal	4,273	207,509	42,562	254,344	85,580	789,017	223,564	192,767	41,841
32.	Situminous Coal	499,916	367,881	6,058	873,855	248,288	2,470,800	598,483	740,644	11,874
33.	Lignite Coal	183,624	...	...	183,624	40,408	748,691	- 12,992	182,676	430
34.	Coke	84,764	67,054	2,050	153,868	29,621	528,894	153,544	148,449	3,596

35. Iron Ores	1,330	87	56	1,473	1,193	2,450	2,067	1,417	56		
36. Copper Ore and Concentrates	308	...	258	564	-	1,255	2,508	-	2,431	...	982
37. Other Ores and Concentrates	129,929	7,148	4,829	141,906	110,544	407,025	310,581	130,289	9,415		
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	46,373	189	7,140	53,702	24,441	137,022	55,405	14,761	39,075		
39. Sand and Gravel	10,396	2,370	86	12,852	-	849	38,715	8,677	13,287	440	
40. Stone (crushed, ground, broken)	18,487	244	454	19,185	11,027	55,662	21,442	19,498	1,261		
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	749	556	3,268	4,573	-	1,815	10,853	-	1,665	990	3,378
42. Crude Petroleum	895	27,681	...	28,576	-	3,016	85,755	-	832	31,834	...
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-Product Petroleum)	1,826	346	559	2,731	817	6,384	1,899	2,110	564		
44. Salt	16,560	1,443	7,980	25,983	5,074	63,348	10,241	16,410	8,255		
45. Other Mine Products	117,314	18,846	11,241	147,401	106,713	376,599	266,240	116,280	30,150		
Total	1,116,742	701,354	86,541	1,904,637	656,771	5,723,723	1,634,223	1,611,412	151,317		
<b>FOREST PRODUCTS</b>											
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	66,668	...	1,194	67,862	47,729	187,670	120,656	60,716	6,624		
47. Cordwood and other Firewood	192,478	2,273	28	194,779	23,674	533,752	95,041	191,477	1,998		
48. Rice	1,459	102	...	1,561	-	229	3,523	-	114	1,591	33
49. Pulpwood	308,468	...	7,051	315,519	168,722	821,809	465,561	268,733	57,910		
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crates & Cooperage Material	230,532	9,492	20,355	260,379	132,568	634,102	307,808	143,307	119,717		
51. Other Forest Products	22,573	5,564	6,740	34,877	16,507	86,844	32,933	28,298	10,202		
Total	822,178	17,431	35,368	874,977	388,971	2,267,700	1,021,885	692,122	196,484		
<b>MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS</b>											
52. Gasolene	49,072	10,809	4,518	64,399	-	2,628	160,185	-	10,761	57,382	4,486
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt & gasolene)	53,624	5,625	6,568	65,817	9,841	173,792	39,330	61,598	7,235		
54. Sugar	19,764	675	10,582	21,021	-	18,714	77,021	-	22,251	20,419	10,681
55. Iron, pig and bloom	13,659	863	12,553	27,075	22,655	53,728	37,015	11,685	13,829		
56. Nails and Fastenings	12,236	96	396	12,728	12,012	16,064	13,730	1,106	436		
57. Iron and Steel (Bar, Sheet, Structural, Pipe)	28,560	16,003	39,018	83,581	59,752	203,917	133,510	41,044	40,867		
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	5,362	2,203	7,335	14,900	5,887	37,121	12,057	7,499	7,542		
59. Cement	12,323	116	358	12,797	4,388	27,031	10,507	12,222	402		
60. Brick and Artificial Stone	7,075	6,574	710	14,359	7,197	34,773	17,423	13,019	874		
61. Lime and Plaster	15,690	68	960	16,718	7,089	40,697	11,763	15,049	961		
62. Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	410	18	165	593	-	396	2,087	-	338	435	165
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	6,154	1,048	3,573	10,775	5,177	23,197	12,167	6,091	4,770		
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks & Auto Parts	23,344	11,724	150,868	185,936	119,393	406,054	201,009	22,062	164,080		
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	5,179	108	22	5,309	834	9,009	1,132	5,075	28		
66. Furniture	1,767	27	1,534	3,328	856	9,837	1,982	1,703	1,619		
67. Liquor Beverages	12,876	265	4,886	18,027	9,953	49,687	27,296	10,573	7,667		
68. Fertilisers, all kinds	53,236	1,827	4,058	59,119	20,076	119,363	38,456	29,582	29,668		
69. Newsprint Paper	169,427	150	14,261	183,838	73,536	492,622	169,745	13,863	191,711		
70. Other Paper	10,216	658	16,682	27,556	-	173	78,141	1,254	11,132	18,569	
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard and Wallboard (paper)	12,008	336	4,479	16,823	5,016	45,315	10,084	8,798	8,146		
72. Wood Pulp	60,701	1,332	9,573	71,606	21,151	189,019	60,203	18,958	54,787		
73. Fish (fresh, frozen, cured, etc.)	5,012	44	699	5,755	-	1,060	21,433	-	1,061	2,521	3,279
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except Meats)	10,909	782	23,736	35,427	-	4,460	93,216	4,045	10,085	25,744	
75. Other Manufactures & Miscellaneous	189,977	43,786	157,657	391,420	123,970	1,056,874	316,792	197,603	194,554		
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	147,231	15,918	45,135	208,284	32,455	547,351	107,170	172,008	47,826		
Total	925,812	121,053	520,324	1,567,191	513,807	3,967,534	1,192,259	751,512	839,906		
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>3,876,936</b>	<b>907,712</b>	<b>1,001,628</b>	<b>5,786,276</b>	<b>1,511,479</b>	<b>15,984,299</b>	<b>4,189,094</b>	<b>3,769,221</b>	<b>1,908,016</b>		



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING MONTH OF MARCH, 1934, (Tons = 2,000 lbs.)

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia
<b>LOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	21,788	15,019	36,701	75,041	269,162	77,472	167,262	252,823	9,458
Animal Products	370	616	763	6,684	27,434	14,821	12,766	21,714	2,310
Mine Products	169	362,204	20,431	87,150	298,762	22,132	42,429	156,558	126,907
Forest Products	526	63,066	71,810	194,879	233,187	100,321	47,012	9,081	102,296
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,462	50,417	46,056	285,926	395,259	37,845	31,186	33,313	43,348
Total	25,315	491,322	175,761	649,680	1,223,804	252,591	300,655	473,489	284,319
<b>RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	4,711	15,047	23,699	264,392	2,339	365	23	4,328
Animal Products	...	2,351	403	2,000	107,128	38	42	...	401
Mine Products	...	1,254	10,523	153,332	593,025	2,567	20,404	3,197	3,593
Forest Products	...	120	3,420	15,035	27,254	732	198	...	6,040
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	6,978	21,931	72,339	529,432	3,179	2,821	...	4,699
Total	...	15,414	51,324	266,405	1,521,231	8,855	23,830	3,220	19,061
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Agricultural Products	21,788	19,730	51,748	98,740	533,554	79,811	167,627	252,846	13,786
Animal Products	370	2,967	1,166	8,684	134,562	14,859	12,808	21,714	2,711
Mine Products	169	363,458	30,954	240,482	891,787	24,699	62,833	159,755	130,500
Forest Products	526	63,186	75,230	209,914	260,441	101,053	47,210	9,081	108,336
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,462	57,395	67,987	358,265	924,691	41,024	34,007	33,313	48,047
Total	25,315	506,736	227,085	916,085	2,745,035	261,446	324,485	476,709	303,380
<b>UNLOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	2,036	18,578	18,304	117,146	275,864	45,637	78,850	59,536	17,088
Animal Products	392	1,906	1,832	17,795	27,014	13,414	5,265	7,019	6,499
Mine Products	8,415	222,833	47,141	198,983	797,661	85,134	118,876	42,501	89,868
Forest Products	1,199	35,172	47,073	131,479	274,295	84,921	48,894	14,605	54,484
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	6,270	53,780	34,402	175,728	304,562	54,621	39,013	51,150	31,986
Total	18,312	332,269	148,752	641,131	1,679,396	283,727	290,898	174,811	199,925
<b>DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	89,758	100,006	68,985	195,178	1,137	907	...	147,832
Animal Products	...	7,085	11,210	12,296	85,447	121	147	...	200
Mine Products	...	5,260	12,934	30,864	75,450	...	86	...	26,723
Forest Products	...	30,156	34,470	49,761	51,997	273	10,345	...	19,482
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	22,125	35,497	104,988	655,588	6,544	1,124	...	14,040
Total	...	154,384	194,117	266,894	1,063,660	8,075	12,609	...	208,277