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**MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA**

MARCH, 1936

Revenue freight loaded at Canadian stations and received from foreign connections by Canadian railways during March amounted to 5,720,778 tons, as against 5,299,288 tons in March last year. Agricultural products increased by 297,481 tons due to heavy loading in Ontario and the Prairie Provinces, animal products were heavier by 18,191 tons and mine products by 52,704 tons. Bituminous and lignite coal decreased by 51,018 tons and 4,523 tons respectively, but other ores and concentrates (other than iron and copper) increased by 21,400 tons, sand and gravel by 25,868 tons and crude petroleum by 9,867 tons. Forest products dropped from 887,251 tons in 1935 to 739,145 tons, pulpwood decreasing by 124,317 tons and logs, posts, poles and piling by 37,251 tons. Manufactures and miscellaneous increased by 155,285 tons, or 10 per cent, gasoline, automobiles and household goods and settlers' effects being the only commodities listed to record declines. Newsprint paper was heavier by 49,730 tons, wood pulp by 7,305 tons, agricultural implements by 6,039 tons, iron and steel (bar-sheet-structural-pipe) by 7,627 tons, rails and fastenings by 5,389 tons, and sugar by 7,368 tons.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

PROVINCES	FEBRUARY	MARCH	SHOULD READ	
	1935	1936	MARCH	MARCH
	Tons	Tons	1935	1934
Prince Edward Island	12,960	16,928	Tons	Tons
Nova Scotia	433,494	415,399	12,973	25,315
New Brunswick	198,225	202,257	411,467	506,736
Quebec	814,068	826,325	233,331	227,085
Ontario	2,594,023	2,659,130	848,945	916,085
Manitoba	256,272	327,123	2,490,086	2,745,035
Saskatchewan	246,316	400,826	253,727	261,446
Alberta	686,708	573,989	294,994	324,485
British Columbia	266,352	298,801	496,306	476,709
Total for Canada	5,508,418	5,720,778	303,394	303,380
<b>PRODUCTS</b>			5,345,223	5,786,276
Agricultural	970,251	1,305,830		
Animal	172,285	191,978		
Mine	2,306,035	1,751,219	1,008,349	1,239,630
Forest	659,995	739,145	173,787	199,841
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,399,852	1,732,606	1,698,515	1,904,637
GRAND TOTAL	5,508,418	5,720,778	887,251	874,977
			1,577,321	1,567,191
			5,345,223	5,786,276

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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1936

NO.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from Foreign Connections		Total For Month	Increase Over March 1935 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Destined to				To Date	Increase Over 1935 (Decrease -)		
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points						
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
<u>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</u>										
1.	Wheat	555,153	192	7,209	562,554	194,311	1,377,804	404,508	289,968	279,117
2.	Corn	13,954	9,709	18,991	42,654	24,850	116,544	82,621	20,327	22,448
3.	Oats	90,191	667	8,179	97,037	16,991	193,083	13,590	76,857	13,597
4.	Barley	45,418	246	4,945	50,609	27,368	106,704	27,416	44,477	5,988
5.	Rye	2,703	101	955	3,759	2,818	9,381	1,892	2,820	986
6.	Flaxseed	1,237	3,855	...	5,092	2,827	11,350	8,494	4,394	58
7.	Other Grain	1,736	347	603	2,686	- 1,057	9,326	- 738	1,080	1,395
8.	Flour	99,724	724	39,561	140,009	31,446	370,312	48,425	60,184	79,217
9.	Other Mill Products	103,808	4,032	45,147	152,987	24,127	362,893	43,784	92,207	62,261
10.	Hay and Straw	33,650	35	1,616	35,301	- 46,908	74,136	- 174,167	21,208	4,257
11.	Cotton	1,069	6,474	2,036	9,579	- 1,557	32,994	5,092	7,237	3,182
12.	Apples (fresh)	11,067	565	1,634	13,266	- 9,189	53,622	- 28,456	6,476	6,800
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	411	16,720	6,046	23,177	1,090	61,455	2,587	17,323	6,188
14.	Potatoes	37,319	74	20,681	58,074	5,432	129,600	- 21,696	17,056	40,606
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	9,490	11,957	10,700	32,147	7,869	81,670	10,294	15,474	17,428
16.	Other Agricultural Products	25,519	14,253	37,127	76,899	16,263	204,184	18,159	30,895	47,653
	Total	1,032,449	69,951	203,430	1,305,830	297,481	3,220,018	421,807	719,991	591,981
<u>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u>										
17.	Horses	9,062	23	635	9,720	3,394	17,707	5,048	8,234	1,540
18.	Cattle and Calves	37,171	14	1,472	38,657	877	116,104	13,639	28,498	9,976
19.	Sheep	1,454	...	1,599	3,053	564	10,518	2,096	1,437	1,599
20.	Hogs	17,868	35	2,058	19,961	1,963	61,785	- 135	17,815	2,354
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	9,241	464	31,017	40,722	2,438	124,582	- 2,412	8,480	31,915
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	7,438	361	5,060	12,859	- 300	35,241	- 7,800	1,652	11,301
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	5,656	660	4,230	10,546	- 396	31,640	- 1,355	4,310	5,944
24.	Poultry	219	10	3,067	3,296	- 410	11,701	- 3,313	219	3,066
25.	Eggs	188	79	8,765	9,032	645	18,928	- 2,267	179	8,799
26.	Butter	1,711	24	10,893	12,628	2,242	35,247	- 1,800	1,711	10,893
27.	Cheese	1,198	12	4,995	6,205	3,496	14,378	2,518	434	5,856
28.	Wool	482	1,929	2,244	4,655	1,494	12,958	4,917	2,194	2,512
29.	Hides and Leather	4,352	1,491	5,289	11,132	1,601	34,219	1,658	4,583	6,822
30.	Other Animal Products (non-edible)	4,596	1,333	3,583	9,512	- 417	28,182	573	4,280	5,355
	Total	100,636	6,435	64,907	191,978	18,191	553,190	11,367	84,026	107,932
<u>MINE PRODUCTS</u>										
31.	Anthracite Coal	1,694	139,942	25,940	167,576	3,271	765,063	65,369	123,361	25,824
32.	Bituminous Coal	442,440	236,940	5,675	685,055	- 51,018	2,330,952	- 52,621	607,573	11,054
33.	Lignite Coal	184,519	...	...	184,519	- 4,523	1,020,402	177,307	182,687	...
34.	Coke	63,219	27,867	4,178	95,264	- 127	422,048	59,860	87,092	7,320

35. Iron Ores	115	57	5	177	- 141	878	- 2,359	128	49
36. Copper Ore and Concentrates	172	...	44	216	147	2,248	- 1,167	...	216
37. Other Ores and Concentrates	195,466	8,354	8,169	211,989	21,400	581,251	36,572	200,029	11,568
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	68,044	190	8,656	76,860	8,079	224,290	22,738	21,831	55,790
39. Sand and Gravel	37,100	3,513	1,001	41,614	25,868	84,756	45,414	27,083	15,017
40. Stone (crushed-ground-broken)	10,195	94	97	10,386	- 2,817	22,905	- 15,297	9,715	239
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	3,282	568	3,561	7,411	- 449	17,378	3,037	4,053	3,936
42. Crude Petroleum	1,375	25,436	52	26,863	9,867	55,291	- 5,779	27,015	52
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-product Petroleum)	1,822	437	912	3,171	- 131	7,956	- 110	2,514	925
44. Salt	13,661	1,513	7,673	22,847	- 2,961	59,253	- 5,386	13,874	8,546
45. Other Mine Products	186,964	18,480	11,827	217,271	46,239	613,732	116,621	181,678	35,422
Total	1,210,068	463,361	77,790	1,751,219	52,704	6,208,403	444,199	1,488,633	175,958
<u>FOREST PRODUCTS</u>									
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	64,907	236	2,006	67,149	- 37,251	205,549	- 78,973	57,327	9,411
47. Cordwood and other Firewood	165,893	611	...	166,504	13,927	425,886	- 25,506	164,367	2,347
48. Ties	1,810	...	40	1,850	- 1,228	5,897	- 155	1,382	390
49. Pulpwood	222,084	...	6,427	228,511	- 124,317	629,307	- 401,283	159,281	66,641
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate & Cooperage Material	195,786	16,844	33,826	246,456	3,644	636,415	46,621	130,242	120,588
51. Other Forest Products	14,720	7,239	6,716	28,675	- 2,881	84,510	- 11,259	17,139	11,340
Total	665,200	24,930	49,015	739,145	- 148,106	1,987,564	- 470,555	529,738	210,717
<u>MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS</u>									
52. Gasolene	48,362	4,019	4,124	56,505	- 4,685	144,748	- 11,529	51,785	4,283
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt and gasolene)	41,485	5,438	8,144	55,067	1,251	155,617	7,393	46,571	8,465
54. Sugar	18,477	3,162	9,151	30,730	7,368	68,244	- 2,490	21,285	9,390
55. Iron, pig and bloom	9,692	156	6,762	16,610	1,583	45,405	- 472	9,094	7,450
56. Rails and Fastenings	8,734	65	109	8,908	5,389	12,208	6,486	1,957	120
57. Iron and Steel (Bar-Sheet-Structural-Pipe)	43,001	20,152	34,373	97,526	7,627	265,669	12,037	56,707	38,746
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	4,735	3,337	9,467	17,539	3,453	48,340	12,797	8,309	10,586
59. Cement	15,578	456	782	16,816	1,583	37,655	8,951	15,875	964
60. Brick and Artificial Stone	8,008	7,094	1,350	16,452	5,472	44,330	12,932	13,348	1,443
61. Lime and Plaster	16,020	184	919	17,123	1,669	47,781	7,411	15,839	1,456
62. Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	759	50	117	926	152	1,659	- 240	837	135
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	10,585	3,584	6,385	20,554	6,039	44,872	12,834	10,943	9,860
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks & Auto Parts	32,101	10,193	146,458	188,752	- 24,779	499,584	- 44,987	24,594	159,441
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	5,104	44	...	5,148	- 41	7,910	392	5,007	87
66. Furniture	2,287	91	2,263	4,641	1,089	12,073	1,545	2,101	2,498
67. Liquor Beverages	15,086	380	4,937	20,403	3,141	52,282	5,340	13,103	7,854
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	64,036	3,058	3,407	70,501	2,789	130,231	- 14,161	29,702	40,951
69. Newspaper Paper	201,362	129	15,741	217,232	49,730	560,807	79,917	13,368	235,816
70. Other Paper	11,936	377	22,069	34,384	1,382	99,384	8,973	11,577	23,176
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard and Wallboard (paper)	15,216	419	4,460	20,095	1,430	55,724	2,272	9,861	10,536
72. Wood Pulp	71,444	263	11,497	83,204	7,305	228,677	19,075	21,589	61,875
73. Fish (fresh-frozen-cured etc.)	7,698	99	882	8,679	355	28,827	2,389	3,551	5,173
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except Meats)	11,538	1,576	24,140	37,254	1,845	99,222	917	11,298	26,433
75. Other Manufactures and Miscellaneous	199,161	59,252	224,753	483,166	63,007	1,315,979	124,070	216,907	169,470
76. Merchandise (All L-C-L. Freight)	155,209	15,769	33,413	204,391	9,131	529,417	18,635	165,746	38,520
Total	1,017,616	139,287	575,703	1,732,606	155,285	4,536,645	270,487	780,954	964,728
GRAND TOTAL	4,025,969	703,964	990,845	5,720,778	375,555	16,505,820	677,305	3,603,342	2,051,316





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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1936. (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	13,926	7,529	28,429	55,578	226,135	100,642	261,826	323,416	14,963
Animal Products	391	633	638	7,734	27,942	17,482	15,557	27,977	2,282
Mine Products	20	303,469	18,155	139,946	410,421	29,295	36,771	164,500	107,491
Forest Products	313	28,146	48,339	114,338	195,547	123,946	45,218	10,738	98,615
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,278	57,274	48,073	319,413	442,106	40,921	28,147	32,677	46,727
Total	16,928	397,051	143,634	637,009	1,302,151	312,286	387,519	559,302	270,083
<b>RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	6,260	21,063	21,923	213,670	2,827	326	12	7,300
Animal Products	...	2,077	338	3,053	84,057	...	20	35	1,762
Mine Products	...	868	6,709	73,142	430,194	6,422	8,431	13,915	1,470
Forest Products	...	1,868	1,245	13,644	45,459	607	202	33	10,837
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	7,275	29,268	77,554	583,599	4,981	4,323	686	7,299
Total	...	18,348	58,623	189,316	1,356,979	14,837	13,307	14,681	28,718
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Agricultural Products	13,926	13,789	49,492	77,501	439,805	103,469	262,152	323,428	22,268
Animal Products	391	2,710	976	10,787	111,999	17,482	15,577	28,012	4,044
Mine Products	20	304,337	24,864	213,088	840,615	35,717	45,202	178,415	108,961
Forest Products	313	30,014	49,584	127,982	241,006	124,553	45,420	10,771	109,502
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	2,278	64,549	77,341	396,967	1,025,705	45,902	32,475	33,363	54,026
Total	16,928	415,399	202,257	826,325	2,659,130	327,123	400,826	573,989	298,301
<b>UNLOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	3,108	17,221	14,427	115,206	326,116	72,422	57,031	83,923	30,537
Animal Products	344	1,803	1,604	17,177	25,577	15,721	5,269	9,447	7,084
Mine Products	4,545	228,667	39,145	116,253	769,089	86,360	102,498	55,656	86,420
Forest Products	909	15,134	18,149	68,892	214,867	107,170	43,396	13,019	48,202
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	5,925	56,952	32,243	187,104	313,323	53,944	44,050	49,337	38,076
Total	14,831	319,777	105,568	504,632	1,648,972	335,617	252,244	211,382	210,319
<b>DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	204	32,040	89,672	52,289	178,913	17,052	2,241	...	219,570
Animal Products	...	3,146	8,176	12,151	78,411	2,519	2,996	...	533
Mine Products	...	12,640	15,868	36,804	85,228	...	...	...	25,418
Forest Products	...	14,007	28,140	48,028	78,409	995	15,043	...	26,095
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	24,278	37,070	136,405	739,209	11,661	1,100	...	15,005
Total	204	86,111	178,926	285,677	1,160,170	32,227	21,380	...	286,621