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**MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA**

DECEMBER, 1937

Revenue freight loaded at Canadian stations and received from foreign connections during December amounted to 6,301,999 tons, as compared with 6,403,703 tons in December, 1936, and 5,347,800 tons in 1935. Light loading of forest products, especially lumber, timber, box, crate and cooperage material, was the chief factor in the decrease from 1936. There were also some large decreases in foreign freight passing through Canada to foreign points; iron and steel dropped from 76,466 tons in December, 1936, to 19,982 tons, automobiles from 166,234 tons to 133,799 tons, and lumber, timber, etc. from 44,150 tons to 21,458 tons.

The cumulative total for the twelve months of all revenue freight carried was 81,995,161 tons, an increase of 6,485,215 tons over the 1936 total of 75,509,946 tons. Wheat decreased from 8,502,425 tons to 5,127,311 tons, hay and straw increased from 296,978 tons to 669,214 tons, copper ores and concentrates from 11,825 tons to 502,681 tons, sand and gravel from 1,265,149 tons to 2,095,518 tons, stone, crushed, ground and broken, from 1,069,119 tons to 1,802,111 tons, pulpwood from 1,905,197 tons to 2,561,771 tons, gasoline from 1,235,557 tons to 1,434,292 tons, iron and steel from 1,205,926 tons to 1,653,182 tons, cement from 533,234 tons to 768,256 tons, automobiles from 1,815,362 tons to 2,109,868 tons, and newsprint paper from 2,194,866 tons to 2,598,082 tons.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

PROVINCES	NOVEMBER 1937 Tons	DECEMBER 1937 Tons	DECEMBER 1936 Tons	DECEMBER 1935 Tons
Prince Edward Island	21,719	11,045	18,712	15,142
Nova Scotia	674,873	604,720	536,984	420,126
New Brunswick	187,570	184,413	212,062	170,241
Quebec	1,229,106	908,563	1,036,324	761,184
Ontario	3,193,200	2,949,675	3,046,863	2,448,676
Manitoba	489,820	329,986	228,322	229,602
Saskatchewan	316,451	249,932	285,758	313,921
Alberta	1,045,581	641,299	607,485	657,990
British Columbia	522,328	422,366	431,193	330,918
<b>TOTAL FOR CANADA</b>	<b>7,680,648</b>	<b>6,301,999</b>	<b>6,403,703</b>	<b>5,347,800</b>
<b>PRODUCTS</b>				
Agricultural	1,689,616	1,169,902	1,127,457	1,143,688
Animal	222,417	183,182	228,457	185,953
Mine	3,128,897	2,632,150	2,350,212	1,932,018
Forest	661,605	669,865	793,816	608,410
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,978,113	1,646,900	1,903,761	1,477,731
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>7,680,648</b>	<b>6,301,999</b>	<b>6,403,703</b>	<b>5,347,800</b>

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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1937

NO.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from		Total for Month	Increase over December 1936 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Foreign Connections				For Twelve Months			
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points			1937	1936		
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
<b>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</b>										
1.	Wheat	334,273	2,656	15,700	352,629	- 9,527	5,127,311	8,502,425	142,956	213,359
2.	Corn	15,135	23,831	25,859	64,825	16,662	488,104	482,853	20,813	44,196
3.	Oats	52,724	12,069	8,216	73,009	1,643	903,592	882,616	48,256	25,038
4.	Barley	61,028	620	7,651	69,299	36,576	714,165	909,038	25,656	43,321
5.	Rye	2,179	624	807	3,610	- 2,534	69,900	89,553	1,990	1,600
6.	Flaxseed	1,071	...	...	1,071	- 3,866	42,823	54,289	916	...
7.	Other Grain	1,389	991	332	2,712	- 702	36,339	31,658	1,917	826
8.	Flour	88,709	1,195	32,356	122,260	- 2,583	1,373,931	1,489,887	56,011	66,426
9.	Other Mill Products	99,877	2,685	46,339	148,901	4,494	1,614,648	1,691,609	89,590	59,928
10.	Hay and Straw	100,486	22,313	168	122,967	66,034	669,214	296,978	119,594	3,491
11.	Cotton	656	6,795	2,305	9,756	- 8,168	127,217	130,750	7,670	2,383
12.	Apples (fresh)	23,291	178	1,123	24,592	- 10,557	272,505	249,287	8,123	16,742
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	884	21,422	7,822	30,128	- 4,432	422,195	424,201	21,787	7,923
14.	Potatoes	26,751	15	20,775	47,541	8,217	548,801	454,681	10,046	38,255
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	8,598	5,367	8,916	22,881	- 1,339	292,693	275,317	8,015	15,651
16.	Other Agricultural Products	29,864	11,434	32,423	73,721	- 47,473	1,004,143	1,032,679	31,762	41,903
	<b>Total</b>	<b>846,915</b>	<b>112,195</b>	<b>210,792</b>	<b>1,169,902</b>	<b>42,445</b>	<b>13,707,581</b>	<b>16,997,821</b>	<b>595,102</b>	<b>581,042</b>
<b>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</b>										
17.	Horses	5,345	12	177	5,534	337	87,999	71,310	5,389	273
18.	Cattle and Calves	27,416	371	847	28,634	- 9,644	630,603	585,543	26,879	1,896
19.	Sheep	2,207	14	1,641	3,862	- 344	45,818	48,274	2,164	1,701
20.	Hogs	21,707	...	3,034	24,741	- 1,998	231,738	241,870	21,070	3,591
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	10,524	895	26,441	37,860	- 10,273	449,908	487,626	8,619	28,594
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	11,595	415	3,278	15,288	- 1,364	165,966	155,262	1,506	13,794
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	7,371	307	4,546	12,224	- 451	146,813	139,493	5,547	5,051
24.	Poultry	5,408	113	13,369	18,890	- 8,310	81,093	91,942	5,002	15,088
25.	Eggs	336	11	3,605	3,952	- 203	89,776	92,207	289	3,651
26.	Butter	1,863	23	8,606	10,492	- 1,273	136,205	135,094	1,588	8,879
27.	Cheese	534	22	2,812	3,368	- 1,267	70,055	72,190	460	2,922
28.	Wool	421	384	589	1,394	- 3,325	43,764	48,854	738	694
29.	Hides and Leather	2,709	791	3,979	7,479	- 6,564	128,879	133,914	2,762	5,167
30.	Other Animal Products (non-edible)	5,125	567	3,772	9,464	- 596	125,055	121,647	4,255	5,288
	<b>Total</b>	<b>102,561</b>	<b>3,925</b>	<b>76,696</b>	<b>183,182</b>	<b>- 45,275</b>	<b>2,433,672</b>	<b>2,425,226</b>	<b>86,268</b>	<b>96,589</b>
<b>MINE PRODUCTS</b>										
31.	Anthracite coal	1,731	230,564	28,783	261,078	- 9,700	2,876,639	2,749,624	207,309	28,268
32.	Bituminous coal	667,694	257,301	10,583	935,578	31,518	10,808,122	10,028,236	824,910	25,938
33.	Lignite coal	371,789	...	...	371,789	42,758	2,564,027	2,703,649	366,346	1,942
34.	Coke	78,334	33,877	2,451	114,662	- 27,174	1,317,256	1,377,348	109,596	6,253

35. Iron Ores	3,114	219	21	3,354	2,763	17,463	11,078	2,752	21
36. Copper Ore and Concentrates	97,133	155	...	97,288	95,604	502,681	11,825	91,534	8,197
37. Other Ores and Concentrates	333,636	10,786	13,451	357,873	105,194	4,302,261	2,754,347	339,117	16,817
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	86,808	525	7,306	88,639	3,794	1,090,814	X 975,969	29,923	61,687
39. Sand and Gravel	25,033	3,048	472	28,553	- 3,924	2,095,518	1,265,149	28,485	472
40. Stone (crushed, ground, broken)	88,190	521	573	89,284	12,372	1,802,111	X 1,069,119	88,543	623
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	4,429	676	2,935	8,040	1,533	121,839	106,702	4,983	3,307
42. Crude Petroleum	27,598	4,962	30	32,590	- 1,200	435,085	510,702	32,254	97
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-product Petroleum)	3,564	396	598	4,558	- 1,013	298,211	185,465	4,031	603
44. Salt	12,970	2,115	5,746	20,831	- 672	298,442	291,479	15,433	5,890
45. Other Mine Products	182,767	28,236	7,030	218,033	30,085	2,921,579	X 2,844,150	171,654	42,894
Total	1,978,790	573,381	79,979	2,632,150	281,938	31,452,048	X26,884,842	2,316,870	203,009
<b>FOREST PRODUCTS</b>									
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	63,454	535	2,337	66,326	- 18,142	1,248,439	1,056,491	56,315	8,078
47. Cordwood and other Firewood	111,064	645	...	111,709	- 20,635	1,096,231	1,230,007	109,255	2,482
48. Ties	1,901	778	358	3,037	- 148	79,832	52,256	1,774	1,161
49. Pulpwood	215,161	...	1,280	216,441	27,090	2,561,771	1,905,197	116,697	100,733
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate & Cooperage Material	177,829	13,155	21,458	212,442	- 109,632	3,999,893	3,428,582	124,617	91,025
51. Other Forest Products	41,369	7,208	11,333	59,910	- 2,484	494,030	401,866	13,148	45,545
Total	610,778	22,321	36,766	669,865	- 123,951	9,480,196	8,074,399	421,806	249,024
<b>MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS</b>									
52. Gasoline	69,918	5,308	3,493	78,719	6,919	1,434,292	1,235,557	75,018	3,664
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt and gasoline)	44,880	4,849	8,200	57,929	- 2,008	805,148	766,270	50,383	7,154
54. Sugar	15,726	3,271	8,291	27,288	1,548	449,707	333,251	16,728	10,874
55. Iron, pig and bloom	12,904	390	1,510	14,804	- 15,201	297,577	X 226,053	12,587	2,279
56. Rails and Fastenings	1,516	31	329	1,876	- 618	95,822	87,607	1,689	313
57. Iron and Steel (Bar-Sheet-Structural-Pipe)	40,053	20,141	19,982	80,176	- 62,742	1,653,182	1,205,926	54,638	22,007
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	7,653	4,824	9,408	21,885	391	304,815	234,450	11,907	10,108
59. Cement	18,000	42	358	18,400	5,490	768,256	533,234	16,913	1,018
60. Brick and Artificial Stone	8,603	9,772	1,614	19,989	3,395	339,975	265,081	16,052	1,620
61. Lime and Plaster	14,392	733	650	15,775	- 518	266,914	231,515	13,401	858
62. Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	690	42	83	815	- 168	31,002	29,894	1,130	83
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	8,671	3,615	5,346	17,632	5,194	249,538	166,917	7,558	11,740
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks & Auto Parts	37,934	9,483	133,799	181,216	- 26,104	2,109,868	1,815,362	26,146	149,379
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	3,918	63	16	3,997	1,457	68,037	40,789	3,996	57
66. Furniture	1,624	43	1,996	3,663	- 1,400	61,416	54,639	1,611	2,049
67. Beverages	26,901	602	7,678	35,181	- 3,990	354,512	295,056	22,711	13,213
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	32,491	4,499	811	37,801	- 4,276	772,435	667,520	20,851	16,221
69. Newsprint Paper	226,228	103	19,759	246,090	4,460	2,598,082	2,194,866	19,864	264,711
70. Other Paper	12,432	533	18,033	30,998	- 13,127	499,378	415,814	11,504	19,836
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard & Wallboard (paper)	16,968	672	3,148	20,788	- 4,314	286,489	253,137	9,337	11,765
72. Wood Pulp	53,268	428	9,143	62,839	- 33,633	1,068,288	972,140	17,520	46,844
73. Fish (fresh-frozen-cured-etc.)	8,830	165	1,963	10,958	13	88,565	80,464	4,999	5,995
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except Meats)	17,177	1,038	15,29	33,444	- 4,481	489,087	479,779	16,025	17,842
75. Other Manufactures and Miscellaneous	225,137	58,714	175,761	459,612	- 99,986	7,377,009	6,288,239	239,214	218,551
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	121,885	15,004	28,136	165,025	- 13,162	2,452,270	2,254,098	131,961	32,281
Total	1,027,799	144,365	474,736	1,646,900	- 246,861	24,921,664	X21,127,658	803,743	870,462
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>4,566,843</b>	<b>856,187</b>	<b>878,969</b>	<b>6,301,999</b>	<b>- 101,704</b>	<b>81,995,161</b>	<b>75,509,946</b>	<b>4,223,789</b>	<b>2,000,126</b>



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1937. (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	8,751	12,086	21,160	42,313	347,435	108,219	59,692	231,843	19,416
Animal products	589	715	861	8,048	29,921	18,750	14,533	25,356	3,788
Mine products	151	488,286	12,186	160,342	617,318	49,825	84,164	341,070	225,448
Forest products	352	34,221	60,996	112,697	140,528	91,124	54,635	8,779	107,446
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,202	56,160	41,468	336,892	466,137	32,843	26,986	30,718	35,393
Total	11,045	591,468	136,671	660,292	1,597,339	300,761	240,010	637,766	391,491
<b>RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural products	...	5,892	16,873	27,430	238,450	19,933	5,008	39	9,362
Animal products	...	88	424	1,941	77,719	...	...	...	449
Mine products	...	1,384	1,632	127,703	507,329	4,849	1,220	2,384	6,859
Forest products	...	2,035	456	15,286	34,876	601	106	...	5,727
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	3,748	28,357	75,911	493,962	3,842	3,588	1,110	8,478
Total	...	13,147	47,742	248,271	1,352,336	29,225	9,922	3,533	30,875
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Agricultural products	8,751	17,978	38,033	69,743	581,885	128,152	64,700	231,882	28,778
Animal products	589	803	1,285	9,989	107,640	18,750	14,533	25,356	4,237
Mine products	151	489,670	13,818	288,045	1,124,647	54,674	85,384	343,454	232,307
Forest products	352	36,256	61,452	127,983	175,404	91,725	54,741	8,779	113,173
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,202	60,013	69,825	412,803	960,099	36,685	30,574	31,828	43,871
Total	11,045	604,720	184,413	908,563	2,949,675	329,986	249,932	641,299	422,366
<b>UNLOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural products	1,500	16,684	15,175	124,136	193,672	33,329	122,686	61,331	26,589
Animal products	625	2,299	1,830	17,620	29,272	14,939	3,467	9,292	6,924
Mine products	7,081	362,180	53,438	168,452	1,064,165	179,872	204,043	70,554	207,085
Forest products	278	15,421	21,004	79,189	166,739	63,752	28,218	10,266	36,939
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	3,108	57,090	26,583	207,833	357,314	48,191	29,556	38,686	35,382
Total	12,592	453,674	118,030	597,230	1,811,162	340,083	387,970	190,129	312,919
<b>DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural products	1,253	32,376	215,603	62,966	179,013	1,419	527	20	87,865
Animal products	...	5,159	11,802	11,336	67,353	328	440	...	171
Mine products	...	7,506	24,569	29,521	91,648	...	70	...	49,695
Forest products	...	8,294	29,701	55,514	113,162	6,386	11,599	...	24,368
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	20,431	34,018	117,967	668,881	16,650	2,529	1	9,985
Total	1,253	73,766	315,693	277,304	1,120,057	24,783	15,165	21	172,084