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MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA

DECEMBER, 1938

Revenue freight loaded at Canadian stations and received from foreign connections during December amounted to 5,846,857 tons compared with 6,301,999 tons in December 1937. Wheat shipments increased by 238,890 tons and corn and flaxseed were heavier than in 1937 but most of the commodities under agricultural products showed decreases, the net increase being only 102,550 tons or 8.8 per cent. Animal products declined by 6,181 tons or 3.4 per cent; mine products by 400,122 tons or 15.2 per cent; forest products by 64,598 tons or 9.6 per cent and manufactures and miscellaneous by 86,791 tons or 5.3 per cent. The decrease in the total of all freight was 455,142 tons or 7.2 per cent. Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia showed increases, but decreases were recorded in the other provinces.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

Total Freight loaded and received from Foreign Connections

Provinces	November 1938	December 1938	December 1937	December 1936
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
Prince Edward Island	14,852	12,531	11,045	18,712
Nova Scotia	479,362	441,649	604,720	536,984
New Brunswick	159,892	178,348	184,413	212,062
Quebec	987,977	798,802	908,563	1,036,324
Ontario	2,830,585	2,588,982	2,949,675	3,046,863
Manitoba	314,913	230,813	329,986	228,322
Saskatchewan	644,784	299,653	249,932	285,758
Alberta	1,104,380	805,698	641,299	607,485
British Columbia	560,968	490,331	422,366	431,193
TOTAL FOR CANADA	7,147,713	5,846,857	6,301,999	6,403,703
PRODUCTS				
Agricultural	2,026,399	1,272,452	1,169,902	1,127,457
Animal	214,970	177,001	183,182	228,457
Mine	2,544,762	2,232,028	2,632,150	2,350,212
Forest	649,588	605,267	669,865	793,816
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,711,994	1,560,109	1,646,900	1,903,761
GRAND TOTAL	7,147,713	5,846,857	6,301,999	6,403,703

REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS
DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1938

No.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from Foreign Connections		Total for Month	Increase Over December 1937 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Destined to				For Twelve Months			
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points			1938	1937		
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS										
1.	Wheat	577,447	1,615	12,457	591,519	238,890	8,559,891	5,127,311	460,275	133,528
2.	Corn	12,734	12,221	45,081	70,036	5,211	776,545	488,104	27,469	42,130
3.	Oats	53,742	662	10,254	64,658	- 8,351	949,972	903,592	38,136	26,275
4.	Barley	49,360	30	4,986	54,376	- 14,923	793,821	714,165	27,606	26,459
5.	Rye	2,648	...	972	3,620	10	71,422	69,900	775	2,720
6.	Flaxseed	5,396	696	...	6,092	5,021	33,369	42,823	6,000	79
7.	Other Grain	1,842	839	243	2,924	212	38,922	36,339	1,712	1,471
8.	Flour	82,750	915	33,561	117,226	- 5,034	1,398,605	1,373,931	51,156	66,831
9.	Other Mill Products	103,016	1,843	40,510	145,369	- 3,532	1,750,403	1,614,648	87,693	58,812
10.	Hay and Straw	12,453	16	422	12,891	- 110,076	493,581	669,214	8,796	3,860
11.	Cotton	404	4,819	1,896	7,119	- 2,637	107,051	127,217	5,233	1,997
12.	Apples (fresh)	26,269	191	1,992	28,452	3,860	291,469	272,505	6,120	21,089
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	739	18,986	7,679	27,404	- 2,724	479,840	422,195	20,029	7,741
14.	Potatoes	18,161	...	12,013	30,174	- 17,367	401,458	548,801	9,434	20,209
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	7,677	5,233	6,859	21,769	- 1,112	278,123	292,693	7,068	15,423
16.	Other Agricultural Products	28,220	11,423	49,180	88,823	15,102	1,096,964	1,004,143	34,988	54,020
	TOTAL	982,858	59,409	230,105	1,272,452	102,550	17,521,236	13,707,581	794,490	482,724
ANIMAL PRODUCTS										
17.	Horses	2,258	45	131	2,434	- 3,100	59,808	87,999	2,301	186
18.	Cattle and Calves	29,278	57	1,203	30,538	1,904	437,615	630,603	24,763	6,358
19.	Sheep	1,724	13	1,227	2,964	- 898	38,246	45,818	1,754	1,290
20.	Hogs	14,890	...	2,884	17,774	- 6,967	197,020	231,738	15,009	2,834
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	7,123	664	26,010	33,797	- 4,063	423,166	449,908	6,854	26,607
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	8,655	312	4,056	13,023	- 2,265	158,743	165,966	1,173	11,760
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	7,537	722	4,499	12,758	534	150,893	146,813	6,008	5,918
24.	Poultry	4,944	76	14,316	19,336	446	74,231	81,093	4,578	14,689
25.	Eggs	386	11	6,067	6,464	2,512	93,764	89,776	381	6,067
26.	Butter	1,779	17	9,006	10,802	310	138,763	136,205	1,731	9,068
27.	Cheese	666	12	3,537	4,215	847	73,826	70,055	430	3,783
28.	Wool	457	550	1,129	2,136	742	39,469	43,764	665	1,483
29.	Hides and Leather	4,308	1,412	4,389	10,109	2,630	114,444	128,879	3,039	7,261
30.	Other Animal Products (Non-edible)	4,962	1,164	4,525	10,651	1,187	115,311	125,055	4,733	6,149
	TOTAL	88,967	5,055	82,979	177,001	- 6,181	2,115,299	2,433,672	73,419	103,503
MINERAL PRODUCTS										
31.	Anthracite Coal	2,666	193,218	26,593	222,477	- 38,601	2,704,814	2,876,639	177,622	25,799
32.	Bituminous Coal	554,953	205,508	9,075	769,536	- 166,042	9,027,260	10,808,122	698,357	25,877
33.	Lignite Coal	296,482	296,482	- 75,307	2,302,703	2,564,027	291,806	1,522
34.	Coke	81,544	27,288	1,172	110,004	- 4,658	1,120,455	1,317,256	98,701	6,106

35. Iron Ores	68	33	106	207	-	3,147	13,860	17,463	33	174
36. Copper Ore & Concentrates	124,488	...	70	124,558	-	27,270	1,389,445	502,681	116,342	9,266
37. Other Ores & Concentrates	342,438	8,088	10,375	360,901	-	3,028	4,447,458	4,302,261	346,264	12,005
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig, & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	79,658	275	6,740	86,673	-	1,966	1,029,442	1,090,814	26,200	61,075
39. Sand and Gravel	16,345	1,094	230	17,669	-	10,804	1,277,848	2,095,518	17,240	260
40. Stone (crushed, ground, broken)	53,924	25	120	54,069	-	35,215	1,150,790	1,802,111	53,207	120
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	3,545	978	3,214	7,737	-	303	114,820	121,839	3,999	3,292
42. Crude Petroleum	28,472	1,999	15	30,486	-	2,104	523,149	435,085	31,378	15
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-product Petroleum)	2,173	797	1,556	4,526	-	32	275,289	298,211	2,943	1,556
44. Salt	11,697	1,392	8,351	21,440	-	609	306,394	298,442	12,677	8,977
45. Other Mine Products	94,946	20,633	9,684	125,263	-	92,770	2,547,796	2,921,579	88,322	34,551
TOTAL	1,693,399	461,328	77,301	2,232,028	-	400,122	28,231,523	31,452,048	1,965,091	190,595
FOREST PRODUCTS										
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	90,455	241	2,057	92,753	-	26,427	1,108,553	1,248,439	82,754	9,570
47. Cordwood & Other Firewood	101,194	221	...	101,415	-	10,294	975,587	1,096,231	98,807	2,954
48. Piles	411	256	544	1,211	-	1,826	53,240	79,832	632	575
49. Pulpwood	128,033	...	280	128,313	-	88,128	2,748,879	2,561,771	73,772	57,167
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate & Cooperage Material	193,163	11,121	28,037	232,321	-	19,879	3,038,616	3,999,893	113,760	121,701
51. Other Forest Products	33,663	5,800	9,791	49,254	-	10,656	377,167	494,030	12,294	36,096
TOTAL	546,919	17,639	40,709	605,267	-	64,598	8,302,042	9,480,196	382,039	228,063
MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS										
52. Gasolene	71,162	5,400	4,210	80,772	-	2,053	1,499,059	1,434,292	76,992	3,503
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt & gasolene)	47,013	6,982	8,173	62,168	-	4,239	733,338	805,148	55,281	7,284
54. Sugar	24,383	840	2,047	27,270	-	18	341,814	449,707	24,195	2,373
55. Iron, pig and bloom	7,545	379	2,837	10,761	-	4,043	167,123	297,577	6,188	3,325
56. Nails and Fastenings	1,133	...	120	1,253	-	623	116,590	95,822	1,015	119
57. Iron and Steel (Bar, sheet, Structural, Pipe)	30,810	15,992	42,856	89,658	-	9,482	997,847	1,653,182	42,098	45,955
58. Castings, Machinery & Boilers	4,937	2,238	8,016	15,191	-	6,694	233,918	304,815	7,618	8,474
59. Cement	14,831	31	613	15,475	-	2,925	589,093	768,256	14,457	889
60. Brick & Artificial Stone	6,635	5,192	1,290	13,117	-	6,872	250,154	339,975	10,935	1,359
61. Lime and Plaster	17,539	415	656	18,610	-	2,835	267,793	266,914	16,322	906
62. Sewer Pipe & Drain Tile	812	37	75	924	-	109	31,378	31,002	874	100
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than autos	3,617	1,287	2,968	7,872	-	9,760	212,539	249,538	3,708	4,373
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks and Auto Parts	34,625	10,492	131,961	177,078	-	4,138	1,233,383	2,109,868	25,378	148,943
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	1,180	10	31	1,221	-	2,776	29,738	68,037	1,232	31
66. Furniture	1,800	58	1,969	3,827	-	164	49,625	61,416	1,693	2,122
67. Beverages	21,925	883	10,205	33,013	-	2,168	317,500	354,512	19,773	13,259
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	42,467	3,571	1,485	47,523	-	9,722	754,871	772,435	23,762	23,339
69. Newsprint Paper	151,886	188	24,483	176,557	-	69,533	1,769,582	2,598,082	12,370	183,232
70. Other Paper	10,360	265	21,078	31,703	-	705	384,673	499,378	10,018	22,149
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard & wallboard (paper)	12,271	696	3,733	16,700	-	4,088	235,409	286,489	8,495	8,085
72. Wood Pulp	53,930	33	9,770	63,733	-	894	721,300	1,068,288	14,355	51,264
73. Fish (fresh, frozen, cured, etc.)	7,753	201	1,506	9,460	-	1,498	83,320	88,565	4,790	4,131
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except meats)	14,555	841	19,338	34,734	-	1,290	483,503	489,087	13,437	21,694
75. Other Manufactures & Miscellaneous	199,892	61,494	205,638	467,024	-	7,412	5,855,267	7,377,009	222,331	243,374
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	111,833	13,113	29,519	154,465	-	10,560	2,201,438	2,452,270	120,132	33,458
TOTAL	894,894	130,638	534,577	1,560,109	-	86,791	19,610,255	24,921,664	737,449	833,741
GRAND TOTAL	4,207,037	674,149	965,671	5,846,857	-	455,142	75,780,355	81,995,161	3,952,488	1,838,626



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS

DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1938 (Tons - 2,000 lbs.)

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia
LOADED AT STATIONS									
Agricultural Products	9,732	13,171	13,144	45,516	198,219	78,176	159,007	445,429	20,464
Animal Products	633	835	739	6,605	27,231	16,374	10,113	23,339	3,098
Mine Products	61	332,180	30,802	160,813	506,097	49,424	61,942	293,363	258,717
Forest Products	191	31,721	52,289	95,740	124,750	50,513	40,278	7,642	143,795
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	1,809	50,814	42,696	272,969	403,989	28,081	24,781	33,429	36,326
Total	12,426	428,721	139,670	581,643	1,260,286	222,568	296,121	803,202	462,400
RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS									
Agricultural Products	...	4,855	11,920	18,832	244,417	1,937	303	66	7,264
Animal Products	...	780	477	1,840	84,373	7	557
Mine Products	105	780	3,938	100,373	422,023	2,036	487	901	7,986
Forest Products	...	1,554	1,260	13,176	35,375	478	35	24	6,446
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	4,959	21,083	82,938	542,508	3,787	2,707	1,505	5,728
Total	105	12,928	38,678	217,159	1,328,696	8,245	3,532	2,496	27,981
TOTAL									
Agricultural Products	9,732	18,026	25,064	64,348	442,636	80,113	159,310	445,495	27,728
Animal Products	633	1,615	1,216	8,445	111,604	16,381	10,113	23,339	3,655
Mine Products	166	332,960	34,740	261,186	928,120	51,460	62,429	294,264	266,703
Forest Products	191	33,275	53,549	108,916	160,125	50,991	40,313	7,666	150,241
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	1,809	55,773	63,779	355,907	946,497	31,868	27,488	34,934	42,054
Total	12,531	441,649	178,348	798,802	2,588,982	230,813	299,653	805,698	490,381
UNLOADED AT STATIONS									
Agricultural Products	2,009	15,386	13,465	119,678	439,216	43,993	82,728	39,411	38,604
Animal Products	344	2,097	1,171	15,919	25,617	10,667	3,035	6,574	7,995
Mine Products	8,539	256,627	48,279	150,012	890,976	140,041	172,436	55,320	241,961
Forest Products	321	12,337	8,719	61,070	138,271	51,579	32,089	11,079	66,574
Manufacturers & Miscellaneous	5,859	44,420	23,676	185,991	326,802	43,869	35,610	37,931	33,291
Total	17,072	330,867	95,310	532,670	1,820,882	291,049	325,898	150,315	388,425
DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS									
Agricultural Products	2,216	30,162	61,103	81,080	156,647	13,035	605	...	137,876
Animal Products	...	5,825	8,688	11,597	74,000	1,740	1,108	...	545
Mine Products	...	11,321	23,157	24,904	79,967	...	170	...	51,076
Forest Products	...	11,687	30,537	56,450	77,274	280	13,960	...	37,875
Manufactures & Miscellaneous	...	21,997	33,897	92,900	656,023	13,101	2,556	...	13,267
Total	2,216	80,992	157,382	266,931	1,043,911	28,156	18,399	...	240,639