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**MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA**

MARCH, 1940.

Revenue freight loaded at Canadian stations and received from foreign connections by Canadian railways during March amounted to 6,463,015 tons as against 5,855,025 tons in March 1939.

Loadings of agricultural products were particularly heavy from Ontario stations, mostly wheat, but declines were shown for Manitoba and Alberta stations. Total tons of agricultural products handled were up by 82,794 tons or 7.2 per cent. Animal products declined by 2,126 tons or 1.2 per cent, mine products increased by 189,669 tons or 8.6 per cent, forest products increased by 28,311 tons or 4.1 per cent and manufactures and miscellaneous increased by 309,342 tons or 18.2 per cent. The large increases in this last group were iron and steel 62,834 tons or 59 per cent, newsprint paper 31,032 tons or 17 per cent and wood pulp 30,613 tons or 45 per cent.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

TOTAL FREIGHT LOADED AND RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS

PROVINCES	FEBRUARY 1940	MARCH 1940	MARCH 1939	MARCH 1938
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
Prince Edward Island	13,167	15,551	14,595	15,778
Nova Scotia	606,191	612,347	450,822	553,980
New Brunswick	231,953	226,414	219,778	220,293
Quebec	1,017,138	1,001,776	917,098	897,989
Ontario	3,125,486	3,195,975	2,691,010	2,825,877
Manitoba	276,176	224,431	260,253	347,315
Saskatchewan	587,509	248,279	277,295	204,775
Alberta	599,523	413,489	520,880	408,222
British Columbia	492,039	526,753	503,294	448,776
Total for Canada	6,949,182	6,463,015	5,855,025	5,922,805
<b>PRODUCTS</b>				
Agricultural	1,662,181	1,197,275	1,114,481	1,048,003
Animal	177,064	176,388	178,514	179,242
Mine	2,426,451	2,353,085	2,163,416	2,122,288
Forest	617,755	724,461	696,150	692,395
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	1,865,711	2,011,806	1,702,464	1,680,877
GRAND TOTAL	6,949,182	6,463,015	5,855,025	5,922,805

REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1940.

NO.	COMMODITIES	TOTAL FREIGHT ORIGINATED						FREIGHT TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from		Total for Month	Increase over March 1939 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Foreign Connections				To Date	Increase over 1939 (Decrease -)		
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points						
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
<u>AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS</u>										
1.	Wheat	450,632	60	15,996	466,688	84,025	2,075,763	1,046,791	201,966	266,763
2.	Corn	8,463	5,194	24,424	38,081	4,448	148,579	53,828	14,474	26,860
3.	Oats	77,686	117	8,524	86,337	4,797	300,959	87,629	64,668	23,558
4.	Barley	45,226	116	2,905	48,247	1,989	141,161	18,298	38,546	9,410
5.	Rye	4,507	...	514	5,021	2,651	16,723	9,200	4,540	844
6.	Flaxseed	1,379	5,674	30	7,073	4,401	12,055	4,227	7,522	85
7.	Other Grain	893	1,764	675	3,322	1,257	9,842	3,238	2,238	1,222
8.	Flour	95,654	892	35,095	131,641	2,663	409,144	56,499	44,380	93,571
9.	Other Mill Products	123,235	2,566	38,885	164,686	4,957	490,938	58,447	85,809	85,982
10.	Hay and Straw	17,147	210	6,426	23,783	5,328	69,005	4,690	8,759	16,507
11.	Cotton	1,589	10,631	2,106	14,126	7,960	50,617	51,963	12,176	2,098
12.	Apples (fresh) <sup>1</sup>	14,851	51	883	15,765	457	48,020	19,983	8,675	7,224
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	763	18,905	7,318	26,986	2,046	73,053	6,218	19,310	7,654
14.	Potatoes	24,926	1,845	18,246	45,017	18,445	119,202	29,793	14,836	29,406
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	8,237	12,409	9,371	30,017	2,227	84,589	701	15,872	14,901
16.	Other Agricultural Products	28,456	25,646	36,373	90,475	9,725	266,550	39,051	41,998	46,710
	<b>Total</b>	<b>903,444</b>	<b>86,060</b>	<b>207,771</b>	<b>1,197,275</b>	<b>82,794</b>	<b>4,316,200</b>	<b>1,338,656</b>	<b>585,559</b>	<b>629,234</b>
<u>ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u>										
17.	Horses	6,897	105	188	7,190	268	12,693	577	6,880	283
18.	Cattle and Calves	23,592	32	964	24,608	3,784	71,263	22,028	18,269	6,078
19.	Sheep	1,168	...	846	2,014	703	8,998	87	1,186	846
20.	Hogs	20,027	24	3,554	23,605	4,765	70,887	17,816	20,199	3,554
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	9,011	966	24,560	34,537	1,194	123,094	23,823	8,224	25,696
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	14,590	1,175	2,978	18,743	4,032	59,898	21,866	2,938	16,860
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	3,330	140	3,065	6,535	8,446	33,354	10,630	2,859	5,896
24.	Poultry	507	41	3,116	3,664	610	14,481	870	331	3,317
25.	Eggs	1,013	...	8,024	9,037	423	17,341	3,713	397	8,587
26.	Butter	2,867	72	10,454	13,173	692	37,653	3,278	2,669	10,435
27.	Cheese	1,416	12	4,092	5,520	1,066	19,100	5,152	468	5,028
28.	Wool	553	4,651	1,124	6,328	2,582	14,924	4,943	4,805	1,312
29.	Hides and Leather	3,602	2,170	4,546	10,318	1,350	36,076	2,396	4,384	6,008
30.	Other Animal Products (non-edible)	5,556	504	5,056	11,118	891	35,870	3,362	3,948	7,394
	<b>Total</b>	<b>93,929</b>	<b>9,892</b>	<b>72,567</b>	<b>176,398</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>555,632</b>	<b>41,053</b>	<b>77,355</b>	<b>99,294</b>
<u>MINE PRODUCTS</u>										
31.	Anthracite Coal	6,633	160,735	14,141	183,509	52,033	596,212	170,976	144,552	13,582
32.	Bituminous Coal	696,572	209,155	10,272	914,999	132,864	2,964,312	752,656	803,099	27,343
33.	Lignite Coal	151,659	...	...	151,659	35,887	712,630	110,041	148,194	898
34.	Coke	79,585	51,518	4,168	135,271	35,220	423,512	83,569	112,415	8,928



35. Iron Ores	105	2,007	58	2,170	1,875	8,049	5,226	359	2,596
36. Copper Ore & Concentrates	155,420	...	...	155,420	16,911	438,654	46,561	153,328	2,180
37. Other Ores & Concentrates	340,189	10,526	12,780	363,295	14,548	1,096,078	115,546	343,672	19,145
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	89,098	792	10,720	100,610	-	5,199	296,730	18,440	33,049
39. Sand and Gravel	27,692	2,942	552	30,986	11,868	71,392	32,988	29,255	352
40. Stone (crushed-ground-broken)	56,235	84	923	57,242	13,107	171,187	51,775	54,266	923
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	1,187	1,166	3,489	5,842	-	2,757	16,193	-	5,464
42. Crude Petroleum	28,925	3,493	38	32,456	-	631	108,472	17,271	32,439
43. Asphalt (natural-by-product petroleum)	2,882	1,155	2,367	6,404	1,554	18,966	4,532	3,925	2,465
44. Salt	11,506	2,727	6,910	21,143	257	64,464	7,057	15,166	7,217
45. Other Mine Products	152,341	27,220	12,518	192,079	57,992	592,982	236,642	128,803	53,276
Total	1,801,029	473,320	78,736	2,353,085	189,669	7,581,833	1,085,782	2,002,558	209,451
FOREST PRODUCTS									
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	90,508	248	4,035	94,789	-	1,797	560,027	115,587	75,033
47. Cordwood and Other Firewood	90,966	24	21	91,011	-	34,855	285,604	-	24,025
48. Ties	1,124	...	168	1,292	-	1,870	4,892	-	1,322
49. Pulpwood	218,493	...	3,214	219,707	-	46,854	752,377	202,977	145,463
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate & Cooperage Material	237,228	14,122	33,787	285,137	-	27,175	774,411	117,612	135,095
51. Other Forest Products	13,398	10,146	8,981	32,525	-	7,176	109,710	1,699	15,392
Total	649,717	24,538	50,206	724,461	-	28,511	2,287,021	412,228	461,041
MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS									
52. Gasolene	71,272	3,919	3,587	78,570	-	8,524	228,301	35,800	74,209
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt and gasolene)	49,473	9,027	6,926	65,426	-	6,737	196,338	23,942	60,124
54. Sugar	18,928	10,853	4,234	34,015	-	5,871	97,415	25,282	27,343
55. Iron, pig and bloom	12,598	4,062	5,129	21,779	-	7,631	75,889	41,001	15,354
56. Rails and Fastenings	8,311	103	466	8,880	-	5,979	18,514	-	4,202
57. Iron and Steel (bar-sheet-structural-pipe)	72,665	47,923	48,186	188,774	-	62,834	493,999	203,524	109,535
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	7,575	6,633	11,563	25,571	-	8,668	67,222	23,316	12,533
59. Cement	26,542	83	581	27,206	-	8,063	62,069	22,944	25,851
60. Brick & Artificial Stone	8,438	10,552	1,271	20,261	-	6,041	55,898	16,970	15,633
61. Lime and Plaster	25,119	394	783	26,296	-	4,109	77,472	17,470	23,479
62. Sewer Pipe & Drain Tile	530	11	44	585	-	463	2,291	-	317
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	11,232	8,797	7,410	27,439	-	9,857	65,150	26,448	16,391
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks & Auto Parts	34,901	9,104	137,857	181,862	-	16,320	523,554	54,785	33,679
65. Household Goods & Settlers' Effects	1,727	60	10	1,797	-	13	3,543	77	1,799
66. Furniture	5,060	171	2,338	5,569	-	1,166	16,754	2,874	2,789
67. Beverages	16,556	579	9,598	26,753	-	4,674	69,657	11,788	16,344
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	78,300	2,860	6,056	87,216	-	9,985	203,466	25,617	31,496
69. Newsprint Paper	191,997	42	21,392	215,431	-	31,032	597,317	84,104	13,487
70. Other Paper	13,548	461	20,491	34,500	-	2,984	113,551	9,573	11,832
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard and Wallboard (paper)	25,054	487	5,467	31,008	-	8,829	86,227	32,320	14,589
72. Wood Pulp	89,483	520	8,185	98,188	-	30,513	312,951	115,047	25,998
73. Fish (fresh-frozen-cured-etc.)	6,145	98	1,196	7,438	-	2,632	28,587	-	3,476
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except meats)	27,996	2,953	24,181	55,130	-	16,070	158,340	47,452	13,225
75. Other Manufactures & Miscellaneous	281,679	84,501	220,819	566,999	-	75,771	1,721,603	399,228	289,368
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	145,800	20,807	30,518	197,125	-	1,308	549,827	35,766	161,490
Total	1,206,719	225,000	578,067	2,011,808	-	309,342	5,826,133	1,247,133	1,007,264
GRAND TOTAL	4,656,838	618,810	987,367	6,463,015	-	607,990	20,568,819	4,124,852	4,135,777

REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1940. (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	12,658	4,242	17,607	72,554	419,546	56,501	134,535	168,636	17,386
Animal Products	765	545	853	9,545	50,822	13,633	9,883	24,611	5,494
Mine Products	62	478,791	55,650	185,095	566,605	46,057	28,174	171,289	293,528
Forest Products	56	50,890	74,879	112,861	198,727	55,519	41,432	9,840	125,733
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	2,050	72,208	55,027	369,830	556,922	37,437	26,142	35,805	55,518
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,551</b>	<b>586,474</b>	<b>181,976</b>	<b>747,663</b>	<b>1,772,422</b>	<b>209,147</b>	<b>240,186</b>	<b>410,181</b>	<b>493,258</b>
<b>RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	...	6,390	16,753	50,640	226,582	4,190	606	450	8,220
Animal Products	...	950	957	5,053	75,901	173	44	...	1,421
Mine Products	...	775	2,357	105,351	456,305	1,352	1,161	1,897	4,858
Forest Products	...	2,508	345	14,729	45,215	826	238	90	10,793
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	15,270	24,046	100,540	639,550	8,743	6,064	871	6,203
<b>Total</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>25,873</b>	<b>44,438</b>	<b>254,113</b>	<b>1,421,555</b>	<b>15,284</b>	<b>8,113</b>	<b>3,308</b>	<b>35,495</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>									
Agricultural Products	12,658	10,632	34,560	103,174	645,928	60,691	135,141	169,086	25,605
Animal Products	765	1,475	1,770	14,398	104,723	15,806	9,927	24,611	4,915
Mine Products	62	479,566	55,987	286,444	1,002,910	47,409	29,355	173,186	298,186
Forest Products	56	53,198	75,224	127,590	243,942	56,345	41,670	9,930	136,526
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	2,050	87,478	79,073	470,170	1,196,472	46,180	32,206	36,676	61,521
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,551</b>	<b>612,347</b>	<b>226,414</b>	<b>1,001,776</b>	<b>3,193,975</b>	<b>224,431</b>	<b>248,279</b>	<b>413,489</b>	<b>526,753</b>
<b>UNLOADED AT STATIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	2,654	15,817	13,380	124,632	291,271	46,257	32,522	57,317	21,729
Animal Products	351	2,181	1,979	18,526	27,079	10,071	5,514	6,869	6,805
Mine Products	6,252	357,593	53,468	183,895	925,258	84,851	104,453	30,344	256,466
Forest Products	620	14,761	16,483	74,861	207,022	56,258	35,287	12,544	43,205
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	4,580	66,792	53,265	281,891	420,800	56,553	41,707	55,267	46,409
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,417</b>	<b>457,144</b>	<b>118,575</b>	<b>685,803</b>	<b>1,871,410</b>	<b>253,990</b>	<b>217,483</b>	<b>142,541</b>	<b>374,614</b>
<b>DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS</b>									
Agricultural Products	26	119,487	132,260	121,465	218,907	928	787	...	35,374
Animal Products	...	3,084	9,387	10,843	71,259	876	2,513	...	1,332
Mine Products	...	7,844	32,665	32,065	88,923	...	105	...	47,849
Forest Products	...	19,280	57,852	39,096	91,817	5,869	19,466	...	32,580
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	27,004	55,109	143,734	756,943	15,030	2,810	...	21,211
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>176,699</b>	<b>287,273</b>	<b>347,203</b>	<b>1,227,849</b>	<b>22,703</b>	<b>25,681</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>138,346</b>

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