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MONTHLY TRAFFIC REPORT OF RAILWAYS OF CANADA

MARCH, 1944.

Revenue freight loaded at Canadian stations and received from foreign connections during March amounted to 13,525,007 tons as compared with 12,825,988 tons in March, 1943 and 10,605,660 tons in March, 1942. Loadings increased by 575,209 tons or 6.9 per cent. Wheat was particularly heavy, increasing over loadings in 1943 by 654,305 tons or 86.5 per cent. Oats and barley were considerably below the loadings of December and January and also below March 1943 loadings. Rye and flaxseed, although more than double the 1943 loadings, were lighter than in the three preceding months. Apples also fell off but potatoes increased. Loading of hogs has been heavy since last October and has averaged close to 60,000 tons per month as against an average of 36,000 tons per month for October, 1942 to March, 1943, and was almost twice as heavy as two years previous. Dressed meats have also showed much heavier loadings than in 1943 and 1942. Rails and fastenings, which have been light for some time, increased to 26,419 tons. This is the first month since May 1938 that they have exceeded 20,000 tons. For September 1943 to March 1944 the monthly average loading was 16,326 tons, whereas for the previous eight months it was only 5,695 tons. Loading of iron and steel (bar-sheet-structural-pipe) declined from 166,171 tons in March, 1943 to 116,918 tons. Castings, machinery and boilers also showed decreased loadings. Loadings of automobiles, trucks and parts amounted to 215,805 tons, which has been exceeded only by 228,023 tons in August and 215,051 tons in July, 1943, and compares with 32,957 tons in March, 1939. These include both civilian and military vehicles.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

Total Freight Loaded and Received From Foreign Connections

Provinces	FEBRUARY	MARCH	MARCH	MARCH
	1944	1944	1943	1942
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons
Prince Edward Island	14,172	15,661	29,270	21,129
Nova Scotia	592,144	701,857	781,347	824,098
New Brunswick	405,805	487,280	461,840	564,750
Quebec	2,075,865	2,355,155	2,252,515	2,091,070
Ontario	6,085,906	6,569,445	6,626,859	5,073,680
Manitoba	363,660	434,507	592,619	306,291
Saskatchewan	966,542	1,193,586	616,296	497,892
Alberta	940,472	937,660	856,284	604,388
British Columbia	785,045	829,876	808,958	820,382
Total for Canada	12,229,609	13,525,007	12,825,988	10,605,660
<u>Products</u>				
Agricultural	2,627,609	2,919,976	2,253,910	1,775,206
Animal	308,920	391,665	291,887	237,457
Mine	3,731,451	3,993,456	4,615,055	3,711,450
Forest	1,465,247	1,530,836	1,355,066	1,322,700
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	4,096,382	4,689,094	4,310,070	3,558,867
Grand Total	12,229,609	13,525,007	12,825,988	10,605,660

REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS

During the month of March, 1944.

NO.	COMMODITIES	FREIGHT ORIGINATED						TERMINATED		
		Loaded at Stations in Canada	Received from Foreign Connections		Total for Month	Increase over March 1943 (Decrease -)	Cumulative Totals		Unloaded at Stations in Canada	Delivered to Foreign Connections
			Destined to				To Date	Increase over 1943 (Decrease -)		
			Canadian Points	Foreign Points						
Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons		
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS										
1.	Wheat	1,368,300	1,046	67,118	1,436,464	641,497	3,655,312	1,603,544	962,431	473,871
2.	Corn	14,473	21,376	50,706	86,555	- 10,454	265,984	- 21,016	37,401	48,238
3.	Oats	197,166	1,452	14,647	213,265	- 8,317	639,173	78,702	153,513	55,306
4.	Barley	147,744	21	10,907	158,732	- 29,328	590,520	133,436	130,750	27,459
5.	Rye	22,006	...	2,435	24,441	18,355	142,595	99,796	232	23,752
6.	Flaxseed	28,950	...	77	29,027	14,139	110,628	25,320	5,759	22,254
7.	Other Grain	1,717	4,434	5,635	11,786	- 5,122	29,200	53	5,563	5,718
8.	Flour	186,656	1,911	44,989	233,556	- 4,568	627,291	17,001	45,930	186,929
9.	Other Mill Products	224,646	10,650	68,855	304,151	1,802	936,404	135,345	193,405	106,647
10.	Hay and Straw	78,145	6	954	79,105	50,273	225,713	157,537	16,239	66,233
11.	Cotton	2,790	9,595	4,055	16,440	- 2,327	46,458	- 7,206	12,534	4,321
12.	Apples (fresh)	8,791	20	1,616	10,427	- 8,284	46,418	- 9,310	8,724	1,701
13.	Other Fruit (fresh)	1,247	35,852	3,141	40,240	835	112,247	16,396	36,117	3,068
14.	Potatoes	67,144	2,929	34,748	104,821	- 5,194	252,009	16,482	50,114	56,959
15.	Other Fresh Vegetables	10,114	20,148	9,720	39,982	- 56	108,538	2,567	24,324	16,002
16.	Other Agricultural Products	36,643	25,708	68,633	130,984	12,795	387,442	2,799	56,165	76,642
	Total	2,396,532	135,208	388,235	2,919,976	566,066	8,175,932	2,251,446	1,739,851	1,175,160
ANIMAL PRODUCTS										
17.	Horses	8,492	86	143	8,721	367	18,400	5,034	8,084	697
18.	Cattle and Calves	39,099	...	1,627	40,726	3,610	111,308	11,940	37,723	2,919
19.	Sheep	2,850	...	655	3,505	837	10,433	1,897	2,797	688
20.	Hogs	60,554	36	2,764	63,354	26,056	200,946	93,634	61,234	2,815
21.	Dressed Meats (fresh)	14,298	199	59,126	73,623	21,762	175,712	27,969	10,570	62,130
22.	Dressed Meats (cured-salted-canned)	62,598	1,910	11,506	76,014	28,690	178,046	52,368	7,154	69,745
23.	Other Packing House Products (edible)	11,185	244	19,299	30,728	10,148	65,278	17,335	10,456	20,290
24.	Poultry	750	17	2,423	3,190	1,255	14,847	3,244	766	2,450
25.	Eggs	7,362	...	5,364	12,726	1,369	31,158	5,675	7,036	5,722
26.	Butter	4,341	129	10,174	14,644	2,131	38,512	1,134	4,177	10,362
27.	Cheese	3,913	73	5,600	9,586	- 5,028	30,905	- 8,108	2,095	7,454
28.	Wool	3,669	2,684	9,657	16,010	5,348	40,970	13,888	4,473	11,606
29.	Hides and Leather	7,263	1,429	7,621	16,313	601	44,740	2,783	7,359	8,726
30.	Other Animal Products (non-edible)	12,131	1,604	8,790	22,525	2,632	67,248	14,766	10,422	13,733
	Total	238,505	8,411	144,749	391,665	99,778	1,028,503	243,559	174,346	219,337
MINE PRODUCTS										
31.	Anthracite Coal	5,909	376,120	15,426	397,455	- 76,400	1,075,318	49,357	388,452	13,855
32.	Bituminous Coal	793,000	672,605	20,947	1,486,552	- 128,780	4,150,835	- 84,016	1,396,223	67,192
33.	Lignite Coal	253,612	253,612	- 123,905	915,920	- 233,541	257,378	2,500
34.	Coke	125,279	81,226	3,303	214,808	17,060	624,995	91,804	202,611	13,896

35. Iron Ores	6,975	885	612	8,472	-	7,304	23,540	-	33,785	942	13,423
36. Copper Ore and Concentrates	157,474	...	348	157,822	-	2,461	480,044	-	15,243	152,785	5,037
37. Other Ores and Concentrates	489,380	168,109	10,371	667,860	-	23,358	1,904,044	-	120,192	627,946	47,121
38. Base Bullion, Matte, Pig & Ingot (non-ferrous metals)	94,827	2,858	22,659	120,344	-	49,346	362,882	-	82,524	46,500	66,240
39. Sand and Gravel	17,754	4,563	1,630	23,947	-	21,297	82,335	-	42,145	22,758	1,655
40. Stone (crushed, ground, broken)	108,471	1,415	338	110,224	-	22,422	308,513	-	50,693	104,368	489
41. Slate, Dimension or Block Stone	1,133	2,074	3,802	7,009	-	959	18,604	-	4,109	3,515	4,110
42. Crude Petroleum	34,402	59,758	77,598	171,758	-	168,541	510,310	-	621,753	94,191	77,598
43. Asphalt (Natural, By-Product Petroleum)	7,820	722	2,128	10,670	-	56	32,532	-	450	9,071	2,128
44. Salt	32,110	6,670	9,639	48,419	-	8,779	131,264	-	17,418	35,203	10,731
45. Other Mine Products	212,795	69,376	32,313	314,484	-	24,659	909,375	-	3,177	210,705	86,540
Total	2,340,941	1,446,381	206,114	3,993,436	-	621,619	11,530,511	-	1,087,091	3,552,648	412,515
FOREST PRODUCTS											
46. Logs, Posts, Poles, Piling	137,856	1,706	4,600	144,162	-	17,776	372,025	-	88,727	130,041	19,626
47. Cordwood and Other Firewood	144,680	89	30	144,799	-	56,781	564,681	-	315,942	144,668	272
48. Ties	14,225	131	2,301	16,914	-	13,504	36,592	-	25,696	2,814	14,440
49. Pulpwood	645,336	2,626	11,956	659,958	-	107,102	1,683,101	-	311,275	412,434	244,895
50. Lumber, Timber, Box, Crate & Cooperage Material	444,929	7,747	73,620	526,306	-	20,184	1,483,291	-	107,432	281,880	258,885
51. Other Forest Products	29,575	3,866	5,256	38,697	-	791	101,229	-	8,459	25,793	13,103
Total	1,416,611	16,165	98,060	1,530,836	-	175,770	4,240,919	-	857,531	997,630	551,221
MANUFACTURES AND MISCELLANEOUS											
52. Gasolene	156,641	12,073	450,410	619,124	-	289,440	1,707,000	-	725,264	171,908	450,212
53. Petroleum Oils & Other Petroleum Products (except asphalt and gasolene)	79,105	13,919	466,600	559,624	-	96,456	1,526,012	-	240,817	94,499	467,197
54. Sugar	19,342	22,311	5,529	47,181	-	8,632	126,838	-	6,731	41,518	5,682
55. Iron, pig and bloom	37,307	1,842	16,588	55,737	-	35,632	168,425	-	68,405	37,588	16,520
56. Rails and Fastenings	26,419	1,455	1,983	29,857	-	22,806	63,280	-	48,563	22,199	7,679
57. Iron and Steel (bar-sheet-structural-pipe)	116,918	53,642	94,964	265,524	-	105,001	715,387	-	273,335	168,038	110,163
58. Castings, Machinery and Boilers	15,307	5,109	28,701	49,117	-	11,616	139,824	-	20,144	21,020	30,203
59. Cement	23,260	607	1,180	25,047	-	28,141	63,512	-	55,460	22,208	3,310
60. Brick and Artificial Stone	13,606	11,741	3,451	28,798	-	7,638	82,608	-	13,497	24,850	3,969
61. Lime and Plaster	40,710	738	1,834	43,282	-	2,368	125,103	-	13,514	40,362	2,844
62. Sewer Pipe and Drain Tile	1,311	58	81	1,450	-	3,536	3,192	-	8,847	931	149
63. Agricultural Implements & Vehicles other than Autos	13,598	5,808	6,794	26,200	-	1,699	78,552	-	4,852	28,187	14,407
64. Automobiles, Auto Trucks and Auto Parts	213,605	14,384	59,508	287,697	-	57,136	787,377	-	160,914	103,477	169,802
65. Household Goods and Settlers' Effects	3,567	41	...	3,608	-	1,525	6,158	-	2,018	3,596	28
66. Furniture	3,747	13	1,890	5,650	-	1,392	15,421	-	3,685	3,634	2,230
67. Beverages	43,886	2,736	24,919	71,541	-	16,789	198,802	-	43,184	41,655	33,819
68. Fertilizers, all kinds	177,926	25,453	15,238	218,617	-	19,835	548,818	-	145,452	137,303	76,210
69. Newsprint paper	233,419	150	12,529	236,098	-	23,929	682,482	-	15,622	21,427	230,029
70. Other paper	21,659	1,459	27,499	50,617	-	1,582	155,748	-	19,716	18,364	34,022
71. Paper Board, Pulpboard and Wallboard (Paper)	31,890	563	8,808	41,261	-	1,501	113,998	-	10,214	26,805	15,022
72. Wood Pulp	136,831	509	4,285	161,625	-	16,488	428,049	-	27,562	22,098	126,326
73. Fish (fresh, frozen, cured, etc.)	13,305	1,312	1,797	16,414	-	1,538	49,173	-	1,886	6,095	7,996
74. Canned Goods (all Canned Food Products except meats)	37,228	3,699	61,900	102,827	-	14,826	296,198	-	45,560	31,666	71,727
75. Other Manufactures and Miscellaneous	766,678	102,971	538,990	1,408,639	-	88,461	3,907,388	-	334,739	663,921	763,548
76. Merchandise (All L.C.L. Freight)	249,859	23,985	59,715	333,559	-	17,907	890,747	-	73,163	269,349	64,945
Total	2,487,324	306,578	1,895,192	4,689,094	-	379,024	12,869,092	-	1,407,812	2,022,698	2,708,045
GRAND TOTAL	8,879,913	1,912,743	2,732,351	13,525,007	-	693,019	37,844,957	-	3,673,257	8,487,173	5,066,278



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REVENUE FREIGHT CARRIED BY CANADIAN RAILWAYS

During the month of March, 1944 (Tons = 2,000 lbs.)

	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia
LOADED AT STATIONS									
Agricultural Products	8,454	6,062	52,788	187,980	592,259	258,009	846,014	441,377	23,589
Animal Products	1,335	1,696	1,507	21,033	48,912	40,146	46,636	68,173	9,067
Mine Products	176	485,614	24,197	255,671	829,058	24,887	101,902	288,382	331,054
Forest Products	242	52,427	218,025	341,864	399,867	40,272	71,904	27,486	264,524
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,454	140,954	101,208	752,333	1,107,420	67,943	61,601	96,950	153,461
Total	15,661	686,753	397,725	1,558,881	2,977,516	411,257	1,128,057	922,368	781,695
RECEIVED FROM FOREIGN CONNECTIONS									
Agricultural Products	...	1,282	29,935	30,388	440,110	6,155	1,986	197	13,391
Animal Products	...	157	1,082	4,216	143,334	12	577	23	3,759
Mine Products	...	3,084	30,072	615,672	930,391	5,471	48,122	13,258	6,425
Forest Products	2,429	6,613	91,129	714	416	...	12,924
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	10,581	26,017	139,385	1,986,965	10,898	14,428	1,814	11,682
Total	...	15,104	89,555	796,274	3,591,929	23,250	65,529	15,292	48,181
TOTAL									
Agricultural Products	8,454	7,344	82,723	218,368	1,032,369	244,164	848,000	441,574	36,980
Animal Products	1,335	1,853	2,589	25,249	192,246	40,158	47,213	68,196	12,826
Mine Products	176	488,698	54,269	871,343	1,759,449	30,358	150,024	301,640	337,479
Forest Products	242	52,427	220,454	348,477	490,996	40,986	72,320	27,486	277,448
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	5,454	151,533	127,225	891,718	3,094,385	78,841	76,029	98,764	165,143
Total	15,661	701,857	487,260	2,355,155	6,569,445	434,507	1,193,586	937,660	829,876
UNLOADED AT STATIONS									
Agricultural Products	6,363	39,575	27,196	254,784	1,110,446	101,043	49,538	53,610	97,296
Animal Products	780	5,841	3,632	30,848	52,200	32,217	13,857	22,957	12,014
Mine Products	10,349	359,152	120,982	833,400	1,512,851	150,586	183,074	56,606	325,648
Forest Products	579	37,794	63,865	213,753	459,456	62,539	49,024	31,372	79,248
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	12,841	124,979	90,534	563,870	831,851	87,385	86,872	98,634	125,732
Total	30,912	567,341	306,209	1,896,655	3,966,804	433,770	382,365	263,179	639,938
DELIVERED TO FOREIGN CONNECTIONS									
Agricultural Products	...	88,517	159,282	183,752	517,809	123,963	326	33,381	68,150
Animal Products	...	43,125	20,201	27,392	125,519	419	190	70	2,423
Mine Products	...	5,895	22,272	51,899	252,032	3,655	3,100	6,606	67,056
Forest Products	...	13,981	129,012	128,835	240,106	23,485	1,977	...	13,825
Manufactures and Miscellaneous	...	48,894	107,901	270,395	2,185,063	37,360	456	313	57,663
Total	...	200,410	438,668	662,273	3,320,529	188,882	6,049	40,370	209,097