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### COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA IN MARCH, 1941.

The total number of commercial failures in Canada, in March, 1941 as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics under the provisions of the bank-ruptcy and Winding-Up Acts, showed a decrease at 92 as compared with 100 for the corresponding month of 1940; and may also be compared with 114 for the same month of 1939. The defaulted liabilities for March, 1941, were \$843,930, as compared with \$1,292,324 for March, 1940, and may be compared with \$883,575 for February, 1941. A decrease in defaulted liabilities is shown in both comparisons.

#### COMMERCIAL FAILURES BY AREAS

Maritime Provinces; - In the month under review there were 4 assignments in the Maritime Provinces, as compared with 2 in February, 1941, and 1 in March, 1940. The defaulted liabilities totalled about \$15,000.

Quebec. - Commercial failures in the Province of Quebec, during March, 1941. numbered 55, as against 56 in February, 1941, and 55 in March, 1940. The liabilities were approximately \$529,000.

Ontario - In Ontario, the failures numbered 23 as compared with 35 in February, 1941, and 32 in March, 1940. The liabilities were about \$186,000.

Prairie Provinces. - In the three Prairie Provinces, failures increased from 7 in February, 1941, to 9 in March, 1941, and may be compared with 10 in March, 1940. The liabilities totalled \$100,000.

British Columbia. - In British Columbia, 1 commercial failure was reported, as compared with no commercial failures for February, 1941, and 2 in March, 1940.

#### FAILURES BY BRANCHES OF BUSINESS

Trade. - Trading establishments furnished the largest number of failures, 46 assigning in March, 1941, as compared with 56 in February, 1941, and 61 in March, 1940. Of these 46 concerns, 8 were general stores, 10 food stores, 8 clothing stores and 2 books and stationery.

Manufactures. - Manufacturing establishments failing in March, 1941, numbered 8 as against 16 in February, 1941, and 13 in March, 1940. The 8 included 2 engaged in the manufacture of vegetable foods, and 2 in lumber and its manufactured products.

Services. - In commercial services, failures increased from 13 in February. 1941, to 15 in March, 1941, and may be compared with 13 in March, 1940.

Miscellaneous. - There were 6 failures in construction, 4 in agriculture and 1 in logging.

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Clothing	*4	1	7+	2	-	200	1	0-0	8	13
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Books and Stationery		6.49	2	-		_	(Shell)	-	1	1
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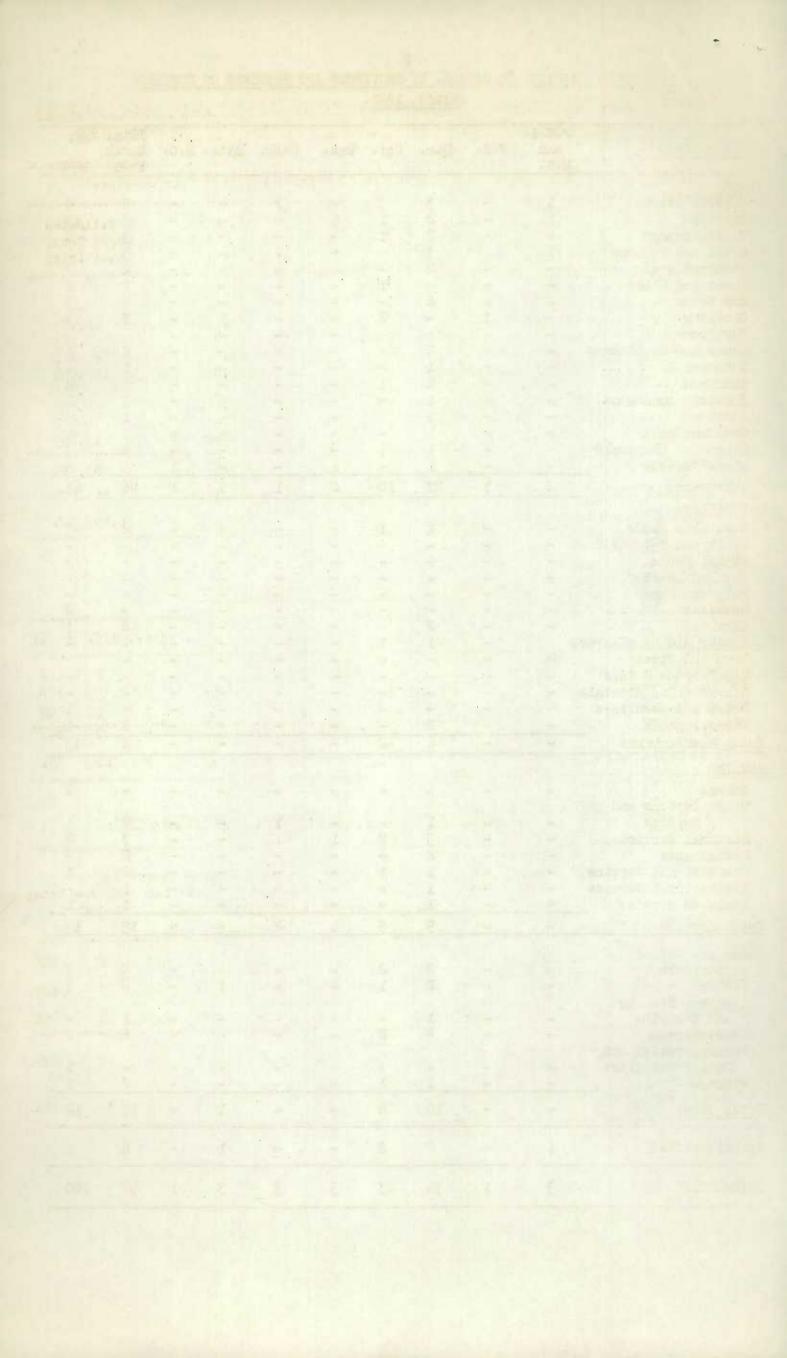


Table 2. COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, SHOWING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR MARCH, 1919, WITH THE TOTALS FOR FEBRUARY, 1941 AND MARCH, 1940.

		Number of Bankruptcies	Estimated Grand Total Assets	Estimated Grand Total Liabilities	
		March	\$	\$	
Nova Scotia	nce Edward Island  a Scotia  Brunswick  cario  aitoba  ckatchewan  erta  tish Columbia		5,819 2,240 405,219 138,225 8,603 2,851 386,467 4,126	8,224 7,129 529,172 186,005 20,215 4,098 75,622 13,465	
Total for March,	1941	92	953.550	843,930	
Total for February,	1941	107	681,348	883,575	
Total for March,	1940	100	826,478	1,292,324	

Table 3. COMMERCIAL FAILURES BY PROVINCES, 1941.

F	·E·I·	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
January	-	2 2	2	57 56	34 35	3 3	3 2	2	1 -	102
March	(max	3	1	55	23	3	3	3	1	92
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Three Months', Total 191	0 2	3	4	178	100	13	11	9	11	331

Table 4. COMMERCIAL FAILURES, BY MONTHS AND BRANCHES OF BUSINESS, 1941.

	Trade	Manu- fact- ures	Agri- cul- ture	Logg- ing, Fish- ing, Trap.	Min- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- porta- tion	Fin- ance	Serv-	Not Class- ified	Total
January	48	13	3	**	2	7	2	1	18	g	102
February	56	16	1	-	-	8	640	1	13	5	100
March	46	8	4	1	4	6	000	2	15	6	92
Three Months! Total, 1941	150	37	8	1	6.	21	2	4	46	19	294
Three Months' Total, 1940	176	46	24	1	5	10	5	2	51	11	331

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