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COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA IN MARCH, 1930

As compared with March, 1929, an increase in the number of assignments under the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts, as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, was experienced in March, 1930. The liabilities of the assignors, also showed an increase. Commercial failures numbered 201 in March, 1930, as compared with 180 in the same month of the previous year, and 205 in February, 1930. The liabilities of the assignors, amounting to \$4,310,085 as compared with \$4,120,506 in February, 1930, showed a slight increase; when compared with \$2,960,089 in March, 1929, a very considerable increase is also noted.

Commercial Failures by Areas.

Maritime Provinces.- In the month under review, there were 9 assignments in the Maritime Provinces, as compared with 12 in February, 1930, and 8 in March, 1929. The liabilities were about \$225,000.

Quebec.-Commercial failures in the Province of Quebec during March, 1930, numbered 92, as against 98 in February, 1930, and 74 in March, 1929. The liabilities were approximately \$1,960,000. Of these 92 failures, 46 with liabilities of about \$61,200 took place in the city of Montreal.

Ontario.- In Ontario, the failures numbered 69, as against 62 in February, 1930, and 69 in March, 1929. Liabilities aggregated about \$1,822,000. In the city of Toronto, there were 21 assignments with liabilities of about \$534,000.

Prairie Provinces.-In the three Prairie Provinces, failures decreased from 26 in February, 1930, to 25 in March, 1930, and may be compared with 23 in March, 1929. The liabilities were approximately \$211,000, mainly in Alberta. There was 1 failure in the city of Winnipeg with liabilities of about \$10,000.

British Columbia.- In British Columbia, commercial failures numbered 6 as compared with 7 in February, 1930, and 6 in March, 1929. The liabilities were approximately \$93,000. There was 1 failure in the city of Vancouver, with liabilities of about \$13,000.

Commercial Failures by Branches of Business.

Trade.- Trading establishments furnished the largest number of failures, 101 assigning in March, 1930, as compared with 113 in February, 1930, and 79 in March, 1929. Of these concerns, 14 were general stores, 8 grocery, 6 confectionery, 9 fish and meat, 7 boots and shoes, 8 dry goods, 8 clothing, 4 furniture, 5 automobile and 5 drugs and chemicals.

Manufactures.-Manufacturing establishments to the number of 36 assigned in March, 1930, as against 36 in February, 1930, and 38 in March, 1929. The 36 included 3 engaged in the manufacture of vegetable foods, 4 in fur and leather, 8 in clothing, 5 in lumber and its manufactured products, and 2 in non-metallic minerals.

Agriculture.- Agriculturists assigning in March, 1930 numbered 16 as compared with 10 in February, 1930 and 16 in March, 1929.

Miscellaneous.- There were 3 failures in fishing, 3 in construction, 4 in finance and 17 in service.

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CUMULATIVE THREE MONTHS' TOTAL OF FAILURES AND LIABILITIES

The cumulative total of commercial failures for the first three months of 1930 was 667, as compared with 646, 549 and 499 for the same periods of 1929, 1928 and 1927 respectively. The total failures in trade in the first three months of 1930 were 349, as compared with 307, 226 and 229 for the same periods of 1929, 1928 and 1927. In manufactures, 130 failures in the elapsed period of 1930 may be compared with 166, 135 and 106 in the same periods of the three preceding years. The defaulted liabilities for the first three months of 1930 were \$17,091,691, as compared with \$13,143,172, \$7,382,987 and \$6,801,936 for the same periods of the three preceding years, thus showing a considerable increase in the latest period.

Cumulative Record of Commercial Failures in Canada, by Provinces,  
January to March, 1922 - 1930.

	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
Comparative Totals for first three months										
1930	1	22	18	310	212	24	25	34	21	667
1929	-	19	18	268	252	20	27	26	16	646
1928	3	22	12	194	205	32	18	41	22	549
1927	-	18	23	176	178	22	16	43	23	499
1926	3	22	16	172	169	25	16	30	11	464
1925	1	26	16	243	217	22	29	56	20	630
1924	-	24	24	279	270	37	55	59	26	774
1923	5	43	12	379	309	84	117	116	45	1,110
1922	4	33	59	389	281	74	82	90	42	1,054

Commercial Failures in Canada, by Branches of Business,  
January to March, 1924 - 1930

	Trade	Manu- fact- ures	Agri- cul- ture	Logg- ing, Fish- ing	Min- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- port- ation & Pub. Util.	Fin- ance	Ser- vice	Not class- ified	Total
Comparative Totals for first three months											
1930	349	130	32	4	3	8	7	12	63	59	667
1929	307	166	33	2	3	21	9	2	67	36	646
1928	226	135	31	11	9	22	12	-	76	27	549
1927	229	106	35	6	3	19	11	-	68	22	499
1926	222	79	41	3	2	15	13	-	62	27	464
1925	362	102	54	6	6	15	5	-	52	28	630
1924	432	102	59	3	2	14	22	1	30	109	774

Statistical Tables.- The commercial failures in each month from January, 1927, are given by provinces in Table 1, while Table 2 furnishes statistics of commercial failures by branches of business by months from January, 1927, to March, 1930. The detailed figures of failures during March, 1930, are shown by provinces and branches of business in Table 3, and for the first three months of the year in Table 4. The assets and liabilities of those failing during March, 1930, are shown by provinces in Table 5 and the first quarter of 1930, is shown in Table 6.





Table 1.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA BY PROVINCES AND MONTHS, 1926-1930, WITH  
ANNUAL TOTALS FOR 1922-1929.

	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
Total 1922 -	15	121	131	1,589	1,058	284	272	299	156	3,925
Total 1923 -	16	155	67	1,181	970	258	280	323	158	3,408
Total 1924 -	3	69	67	907	835	100	131	150	57	2,319
Total 1925 -	4	71	68	758	720	85	77	139	74	1,996
Total 1926 -	4	63	74	654	655	84	68	113	58	1,773
<u>1927</u>										
January	-	5	6	65	72	10	4	20	10	192
February	-	8	11	54	43	6	4	11	6	143
March	-	5	6	57	63	6	8	12	7	164
April	1	8	3	48	43	7	8	8	4	130
May	-	4	5	41	58	6	4	10	3	131
June	-	2	4	46	60	12	3	5	6	138
July	-	6	7	42	43	8	3	3	9	121
August	1	9	14	55	46	3	1	9	9	147
September	-	4	2	45	51	6	3	12	5	128
October	1	6	8	66	69	9	6	15	4	184
November	-	5	4	72	64	16	4	18	4	187
December	1	4	4	67	69	8	6	12	5	176
Total 1927 -	4	66	74	658	681	97	54	135	72	1,841
<u>1928</u>										
January	1	13	3	58	82	11	5	20	4	197
February	1	9	4	68	69	10	6	13	8	188
March	1	-	5	68	54	11	7	8	10	164
April	-	5	5	54	43	6	5	14	6	138
May	-	4	7	51	57	7	7	8	7	148
June	-	8	4	46	48	4	8	11	4	133
July	-	5	3	54	44	7	9	6	11	139
August	-	14	6	50	49	7	4	6	6	142
September	-	5	7	66	67	5	-	12	3	165
October	-	10	3	75	86	10	3	7	6	200
November	-	4	3	72	80	14	4	12	4	193
December	1	13	6	105	79	11	5	9	1	230
Total 1928 -	4	90	56	767	758	103	63	126	70	2,037
<u>1929</u>										
January	-	8	12	114	108	6	8	9	4	269
February	-	5	4	80	75	9	11	7	6	197
March	-	6	2	74	69	5	8	10	6	180
April	-	7	6	87	55	4	5	7	3	174
May	-	4	7	82	70	4	4	10	4	185
June	-	2	4	58	55	10	7	7	5	148
July	-	3	2	76	49	3	6	7	3	149
August	-	4	2	48	46	11	7	11	8	137
September	-	3	2	66	57	5	7	6	5	151
October	-	9	4	82	54	10	6	7	4	176
November	-	8	9	68	49	12	10	8	12	176
December	1	12	7	92	74	12	5	12	9	224
Total 1929 -	1	71	61	927	761	91	84	101	69	2,166
<u>1930</u>										
January	1	13	6	120	81	9	12	11	8	261
February	-	4	8	98	62	7	8	11	7	205
March	-	5	4	92	69	8	5	12	6	201

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Table 2.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY BRANCHES OF BUSINESS AND MONTHS, 1926-1930.

	Trade	Manu- fact- ure	Agri- cul- ture	Logg- ing, Fish- ing, Trap.	Min- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- port- ation	Fin- ance	Ser- vice	Not class- ified	Total
Total 1924 -	1,317	329	204	14	22	44	36	8	129	216	2,319
Total 1925 -	1,026	403	158	14	15	50	21	5	220	84	1,996
Total 1926 -	805	390	135	27	20	52	34	1	225	84	1,773
1927											
January	89	45	15	2	-	7	5	-	23	6	192
February	66	32	10	2	2	5	3	-	17	6	143
March	74	29	10	2	1	7	3	-	28	10	164
April	58	34	9	-	1	4	2	-	14	8	130
May	45	39	9	4	2	6	4	-	19	3	131
June	69	27	9	1	2	5	2	-	19	4	138
July	50	26	10	3	2	4	3	-	15	8	121
August	59	37	10	3	2	5	3	-	21	7	147
September	61	29	5	3	2	4	1	-	17	6	128
October	82	45	10	2	5	6	3	-	24	7	184
November	73	47	10	4	5	6	3	-	31	8	187
December	92	40	9	4	2	4	4	-	15	6	176
Total 1927 -	818	430	116	30	26	63	36	-	243	79	1,841
1928											
January	83	45	13	4	3	8	5	-	29	7	197
February	76	47	8	4	3	7	4	-	25	14	188
March	67	43	10	3	3	7	3	-	22	6	164
April	67	33	9	-	2	3	3	-	17	4	138
May	57	42	5	3	1	4	7	-	18	11	148
June	54	32	6	2	2	5	5	-	21	6	133
July	54	40	7	3	2	5	3	-	20	5	139
August	64	34	4	3	1	5	3	1	21	6	142
September	79	36	12	2	1	5	3	-	16	11	165
October	88	47	12	3	2	6	5	-	27	10	200
November	71	55	13	4	3	8	4	1	27	7	193
December	124	51	9	-	-	7	-	3	20	16	230
Total 1928 -	884	505	108	31	23	70	45	5	263	103	2,037
1929											
January	140	71	6	-	1	10	1	1	22	17	269
February	88	57	11	1	1	4	4	1	24	6	197
March	79	38	16	1	1	7	4	-	21	13	180
April	83	40	11	-	-	6	3	1	19	11	174
May	101	33	17	-	-	6	-	-	12	16	185
June	79	29	8	-	-	3	1	2	14	12	148
July	83	26	5	1	-	1	-	-	19	14	149
August	65	27	6	1	3	3	1	-	22	9	137
September	72	25	8	-	-	7	-	-	24	15	151
October	93	21	19	-	1	3	1	-	19	19	176
November	93	33	8	-	3	7	3	-	16	13	176
December	124	43	10	-	1	4	3	-	27	12	224
Total 1929 -	1,100	443	125	4	11	61	21	5	239	157	2,186
1930											
January	135	58	6	1	2	3	1	3	25	27	261
February	113	36	10	-	-	2	2	5	21	16	205
March	101	36	16	3	1	3	4	4	17	16	201

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105	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	
106	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	
107	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	
108	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	
109	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	
110	SR-71	1966	Windsor	Active	

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Table 4. - COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES AND BRANCHES OF BUSINESS, MARCH, 1930

	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
<u>TRADE</u>										
General Stores	-	-	-	3	4	3	3	1	-	14
Grocery	-	1	-	3	4	-	-	-	-	8
Confectionery	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	1	1	6
Drink and Tobacco	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Fish and Meat	-	-	1	2	3	-	-	2	1	9
Boots and Shoes	-	-	1	3	2	-	1	-	-	7
Dry Goods	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	1	-	8
Clothing	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	1	-	8
Furniture	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	4
Books and Stationery	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Automobile	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	1	-	5
Hardware	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	3
Elec. Apparatus	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Jewelry	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	3
Coal and Wood	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	3
Drugs & Chemicals	-	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	5
Miscellaneous	-	1	1	6	3	-	1	-	2	14
Total	-	3	3	41	33	5	5	7	4	101
<u>MANUFACTURE</u>										
Vegetable Foods	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	3
Drink and Tobacco	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Animal Foods	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Fur and Leather	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	4
Pulp and Paper	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Textiles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clothing	-	-	-	5	3	-	-	-	-	8
Lumber and Man.	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	5
Iron and Steel	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Non-Ferrous Metals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Metallic Minerals	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Drugs and Chemicals	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	-	-	8
Total	-	1	-	18	17	-	-	-	-	36
<u>SERVICE</u>										
Garages	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Other Customs & Repairs	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Personal Service	-	-	-	2	2	2	-	1	1	8
Professional Service	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Recreational Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business Service	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	3
Total	-	1	-	6	4	2	-	2	2	17
<u>OTHER</u>										
Agriculture	-	-	-	8	4	1	-	3	-	16
Mining	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Logging-Fishing & Trapping	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
Construction	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	3
Trans. and Pub. Utilities	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	4
Finance	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	-	4
Total	-	-	-	17	10	1	-	3	-	31
Not Classified	-	-	1	10	5	-	-	-	-	16
Grand Total	-	5	4	92	69	8	5	12	6	201





Table 3.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES AND BRANCHES  
OF BUSINESS, IN THE FIRST QUARTER OF 1930.

	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
<u>TRADE</u>										
General Stores	-	1	-	17	7	4	6	2	-	37
Grocery	-	4	2	11	8	3	1	4	-	33
Confectionery	-	-	1	8	8	1	1	2	1	22
Drink and Tobacco	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	4
Fish and Meat	-	1	2	9	5	-	-	3	1	21
Boots and Shoes	-	1	1	8	11	2	3	-	-	26
Dry Goods	-	1	2	13	14	-	-	1	1	32
Clothing	-	2	1	15	20	2	2	4	1	47
Furniture	-	-	-	3	3	-	1	-	-	7
Books and Stationery	-	-	-	5	2	-	1	-	-	8
Automobile	-	-	-	5	7	2	-	1	-	15
Hardware	-	-	-	4	2	1	1	-	-	8
Elec. Apparatus	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	10
Jewelry	-	1	-	4	4	1	-	2	-	12
Coal and Wood	-	-	-	9	2	-	-	-	-	11
Drugs and Chemicals	-	-	-	8	4	-	-	1	1	14
Miscellaneous	-	1	2	15	16	-	4	1	3	42
Total	-	13	12	144	113	16	20	21	10	349
<u>MANUFACTURE</u>										
Vegetable Foods	-	-	-	7	5	-	-	-	-	12
Drink and Tobacco	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	3
Animal Foods	-	1	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	5
Fur and Leather	-	-	-	11	6	-	-	1	-	18
Pulp and Paper	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Textiles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clothing	-	1	-	16	12	-	-	1	1	31
Lumber and Man.	-	1	-	8	8	-	-	1	1	19
Iron and Steel	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Non-Ferrous Metals	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
Non-Metallic Minerals	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	-	-	7
Drugs and Chemicals	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	16	10	-	-	-	-	26
Total	-	3	-	73	48	-	-	3	3	130
<u>SERVICE</u>										
Garages	-	1	1	5	2	1	-	2	-	12
Other Customs & Repairs	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	5
Personal Service	-	-	1	8	4	4	3	3	4	27
Professional Service	-	-	-	7	1	-	-	-	-	4
Recreational Service	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	4
Business Service	-	-	-	8	2	-	-	-	1	11
Total	-	1	2	30	12	5	3	5	5	63
<u>OTHER</u>										
Agriculture	1	1	-	16	9	1	1	3	-	32
Mining	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	3
Logging-Fishing & Trapping	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	4
Construction	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	-	-	8
Trans. and Pub. Utilities	-	-	-	3	4	-	-	-	-	7
Finance	-	1	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	12
Total	1	2	-	33	23	1	1	3	2	66
Not Classified	-	3	4	30	16	2	1	2	1	59
Grand Total	1	22	18	310	212	24	25	34	21	667





Table 5. - COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, SHOWING ESTIMATED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES FOR MARCH, 1930, AND FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF THE YEAR.

(Prepared from the preliminary statements of affairs received from trustees).

	No. of Bankruptcies	Estimated Grand Total Assets	Estimated Grand Total Liabilities
	No.	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	5	56,301	209,256
New Brunswick	4	9,746	15,350
Quebec	92	2,189,897	1,959,997
Ontario	69	1,533,216	1,822,199
Manitoba	8	36,212	59,643
Saskatchewan	5	33,818	33,800
Alberta	12	114,569	117,188
British Columbia	6	70,897	92,652
Total for March, 1930	201	4,044,656	4,310,085
Total for February, 1930	205	3,931,884	4,120,506
Total for March, 1929	180	2,211,133	2,960,089

Table 6.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, SHOWING ESTIMATES ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, FIRST QUARTER OF 1930, WITH TOTALS FOR THE SAME PERIOD OF PREVIOUS YEARS.

Prince Edward Island	1	2,585	900
Nova Scotia	22	137,506	326,111
New Brunswick	18	66,025	99,188
Quebec	310	4,753,821	4,946,909
Ontario	212	11,941,202	10,621,102
Manitoba	24	123,063	152,951
Saskatchewan	25	189,942	276,489
Alberta	34	239,795	311,989
British Columbia	21	508,140	356,052
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1930	667	17,967,079	17,091,691
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1929	646	8,680,219	13,143,172
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1928	549	5,754,611	7,382,987
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1927	499	5,564,236	6,801,936
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1926	464	5,019,090	6,936,058
Cumulative Total for 3 months, 1925	630	5,379,758	8,628,251

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