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A decrease in the number of assignments under the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts, as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, was experienced in October, 1932, as compared with October, 1931, while the liabilities of the assignors showed a very considerable decrease. Commercial failures numbered 199 as compared with 226 in the same month of the previous year, and 193 in September, 1932. The liabilities of the assignors amounting to \$3,439,220 as compared with \$12,378,396 in October, 1931, showed a large decrease, when compared with \$3,926,294 in September, 1932, a considerable decrease is noted.

COMMERCIAL FAILURES BY AREAS

Maritime Provinces. In the month under review, there were 15 assignments in the Maritime Provinces, as compared with 9 in October, 1931, and 9 in September, 1932. The liabilities in October, 1932, were about \$128,000.

Quebec. - Commercial failures in the province of Quebec during October, 1932, numbered 80 as against 90 in September, 1932, and 98 in October, 1931. The liabilities were approximately \$1,384,000. Of these 80 failures, 37 with estimated liabilities of about \$710,000 occurred in the city of Montreal.

Ontario. In Ontario, the failures numbered 73 as against 64 in September, 1932, and 78 in October, 1931, Liabilities aggregated about \$1,313,000. In the city of Toronto, there were 19 assignments with liabilities of about \$365,000.

Prairie Provinces. In the three Prairie Provinces, failures increased from 21 in September, 1932, to 26 in October, 1932, and may be compared with 28 in October, 1931. There were 3 failures in the city of Winnipeg with liabilities of about \$18,000.

British Columbia. In British Columbia, commercial failures numbered 5 as against 9 in September, 1932, and 13 in October, 1931. A decrease was experienced in both comparisons. The liabilities were about \$85,000. There were 2 failures in Vancouver, with liabilities of about \$48,000.

FAILURES BY BRANCHES OF BUSINESS

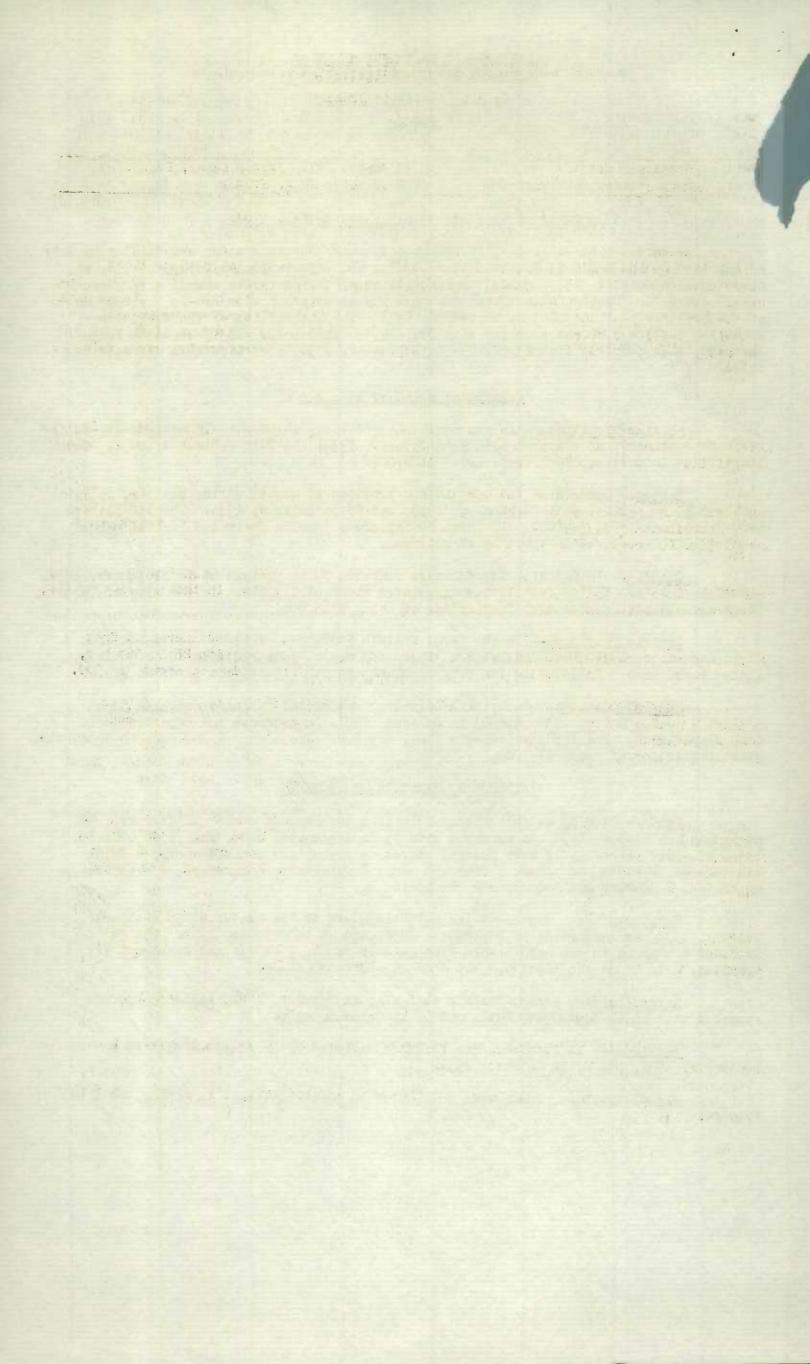
Trade. Trading establishments furnished the largest number of failures, 92 assigning in ctober, 1932, as compared with 99 in September, 1932, and 77 in October, 1931, of these concerns, 19 were general stores, 9 groceries confectionery, 2 drink and tobacco, 4 boots and shoes, 7 fish and meat, 2 furniture, 4 hardware, 4 electric apparatus, 2 jewelry and 5 drugs and chemicals.

Manufactures.— Manufacturing establishments to the number of 36 assigned October, 1932, as against 38 in September, 1932, and 45 in October, 1931. The 36 included 4 engaged in the manufacture of vegetable foods, 3 in fur and leather, 5 in textiles, 2 in drugs and chemicals and 2 in non-ferrous metals.

Agriculture - Agriculturists assigning in October, 1932, numbered 19, as compared with 11 in September, 1932, and 15 in October, 1931.

Services. In Services, the failures numbered 27 as compared with 24 in September, 1932, and 27 in October, 1931.

Miscellaneous. There were 8 failures in construction, 1 in mining and 1 in finance.



CUMULATIVE TEN MONTHS! TOTAL OF FAILURES AND LIABILITIES

The cumulative total of commercial failures for the first ten months of 1932 was 1,995, as compared with 1,807, 1,941 and 1,766 for the same periods of 1931, 1930 and 1929, respectively. The total failures in trade in the first ten months of 1932 were 964 as compared with 897, 977 and 883 for the same periods of 1931, 1930 and 1929. In manufactures, 387 failures in the elapsed period of 1932, may be compared with 388, 395 and 367 in the same periods of the three preceding years. The defaulted liabilities for the first ten months of 1932 were \$34,506,706, as compared with \$45,260,019, \$40,565,515 and \$32,391,423 for the same periods of the three preceding years. Thus defaulted liabilities showed a decrease when compared with the same period of 1931.

Cumulative Record of Commercial Failures in Canada, by Provinces, January to October, 1922-1932

	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
Comparative Totals for first ten months 1932 1931 1930 1929 1928 1927 1926 1925 1924 1923 1922	842-33422910	50 39 53 51 73 57 50 50 50 117 72	68 59 37 45 47 66 62 49 52 52	799 645 827 767 590 519 528 580 655 916 1,310	740 643 635 638 599 548 561 761 748	68 89 82 67 78 73 72 60 74 216 202	67 136 111 69 54 44 50 103 241 182	107 110 120 81 105 105 87 106 121 260 223	88 82 74 48 65 63 45 45 42 135 119	1,995 1,807 1,941 1,766 1,614 1,478 1,437 1,513 1,717 2,707 2,980

Commercial Failures in Canada, by Branches of Business January to October, 1324-1932

	Trade	Manu- fact- ures	Agri- cul- ture	Logg- ing, Fish- ing	Min- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- port- ation & Pub. Util.	Fin- ance	Serv-	Not class- fied	Total
Comparative Totals for first ten months 1932 1931 1930 1929 1928 1927 1926 1925 1924	964 897 977 883 699 653 650 805 984	387 388 395 367 399 343 307 289 230	155 95 92 107 86 97 108 122 146	8 6 10 4 27 22 23 11	4 6 8 7 20 19 17 10 8	68 50 43 50 55 53 44 40 32	38 33 36 15 41 29 31 14 36	5 19 24 5 1 -	241 207 222 196 216 197 186 162	125 106 134 132 70 65 71 57	1,995 1,807 1,941 1,766 1,614 1,478 1,437 1,513 1,717

Statistical Tables.— The commercial failures in each month from January, 1929, are given by provinces in Table 1, while Table 2 furnishes statistics of commercial failures by branches of business by months from January, 1929, to October, 1932. The detailed figures of failures during October, 1932, are shown by provinces and branches of business in Table 3. The assets and liabilities of those failing during October, 1932, are shown by provinces in Table 4.

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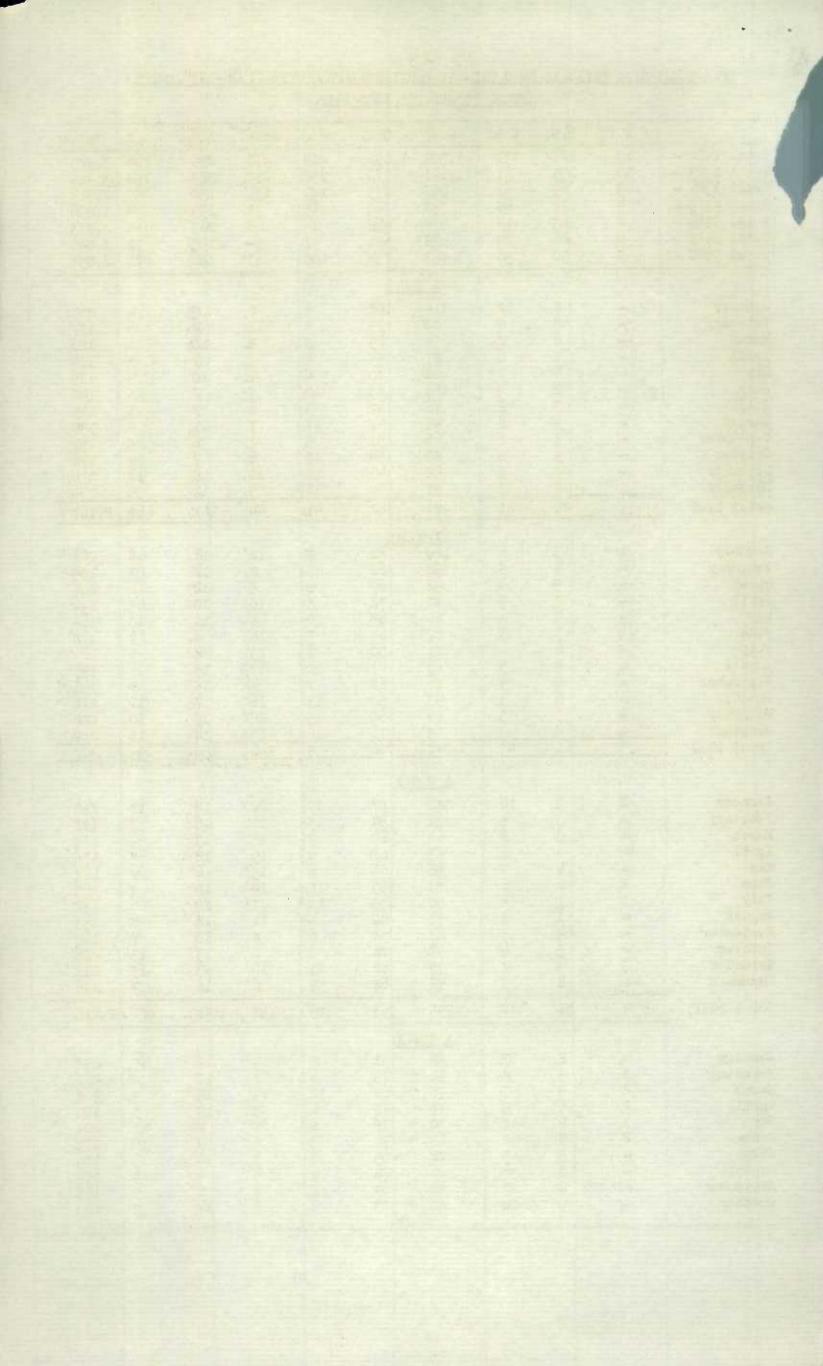
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1. COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA BY PROVINCES AND MONTHS, 1928-1932. WITH
ANNUAL TOTALS FOR 1922-1931.

	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 69	67	1,181	970	253	280	323	158 3,408
Total 1924 -	3	69	67	907	835	100	131	150	57 2,319
Total 1925 -		71	68	758	720	85	77	139	74 1,996
Total 1926 -	7	63	74	654	655	84	68	113	58 1,773
Total 1927 -	7	66	74	658	681	97	54	135	72 1,841
Total 1928 -	4	90	56	767	758	103	63	126	70 2,037
				19	2 9				
January		g	12	114	108	6	8	0	11 260
February		5	4	80	75		11	9 7	4 269
March		56	2	74	69	9	8	10	6 197 6 180
April	-	7	6	87	55	54		7	6 197 6 180 3 174 4 185
May	-	4	7	82	70	4	5 4	10	4 185
June	-	2	4	58		10		7	
July	-	3 4	2	76	55 49	3	7	7	5 148 3 149 8 138
August	-		2	48	47	11	7	11	8 138
September	-	3 9	2	66	57 54	5	7 6	6	
October	-	9		82	54	10		7	4 176
November	-	8	9	68	49 74	12	10	8	12 176
December	1	12	7	92		12	5	12	9 224
Total 1929	1	71	61	927	762	91	84	101	69 2,167
		THE			30				
January	1	13	6	120	81	9 7	12	11	8 261
February	44		8	98	62	7	8	11	7 205 6 201
March	*	5	4	92	69	8	5	12	
April May	<u> </u>	8	3	81 60	72	5 10	10	10	5 194 10 166
June	ī	5 8 2 36	7	67	65 64	10	8 16	11	
July		6	3	71	50	7 6	15	8 12	9 178 5 169
August	040	4			47	10	17	13	5 169 6 159
September	4	2	3 3 3	59 86	68	7	4	15	7 192
October	4	6	3	93 86	57	13	16	17	11 216
November	~	3	3	86	57 65 76	15 16	32	18	10 222
December	11 15010		45	98	76		13	14	11 239
Total 1930	3.	61	45	1,011	776	113	146	152	95 2,402
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February	41	3 3 2				15	18	10	7 188
March	84		6	71 64	59 60		15	13	9 178
April	<u> </u>	4	6	53 56	67	996	19	12	5 175
May	4	4	566364	56	64		15 14	6	9 163
June	2	6	6	53	55	10		10	9 165
July	1	7		50	55	11	8	10	6 152
August September	1	1 4	5 4	53 67		4	11	12	
October	**	5)	00	58 78	6	8	10	7 165
November	3	5 4		98 78	82	9	10	13	13 226
December	-	8	7	72	68	9	6	5	13 213 9 196
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				193					
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March	2 2 1	3466	(78	68	12	14	14	9 208 6 190
April May	1	6	2	75 80	79	4	3	10	
June	2	8	g	64	79 70	8	8	4	11 204
July	-	5	3	72	65	3	5	9	10 179
Annist	-	5 3 2	57836	66	72		4	4	9 175 6 188
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October	-	5	3.0	80	73	6	6	14	9 19 3 5 199



2. COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA BY BRANCHES OF BUSINESS AND MONTHS, 1929-1932.

	Trade	Manu- fact- ures	Agri- cul- ture	Logg- ing, Fish- ing	Min- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- port- ation	Fin- ance	Ser-vice	Not Class- ified	Total
Total 1924 Total 1925 Total 1926 Total 1927 Total 1928	1,317 1,026 805 818 884	339 403 390 430 505	204 158 135 116 108	Trap 14 14 27 30 31	22 15 20 26 23	44 50 52 63 70	36 21 34 36 45	8 5 1 5	129 220 225 243 263	216 84 84 79 103	2,319 1,996 1,773 1,843 2,037
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Total 1930 _	1,204	488	115	12	9	55	48	29	283	159	s.404
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Total 1931	1,102	464	125	5	7	61	42	21	255	134	2,216
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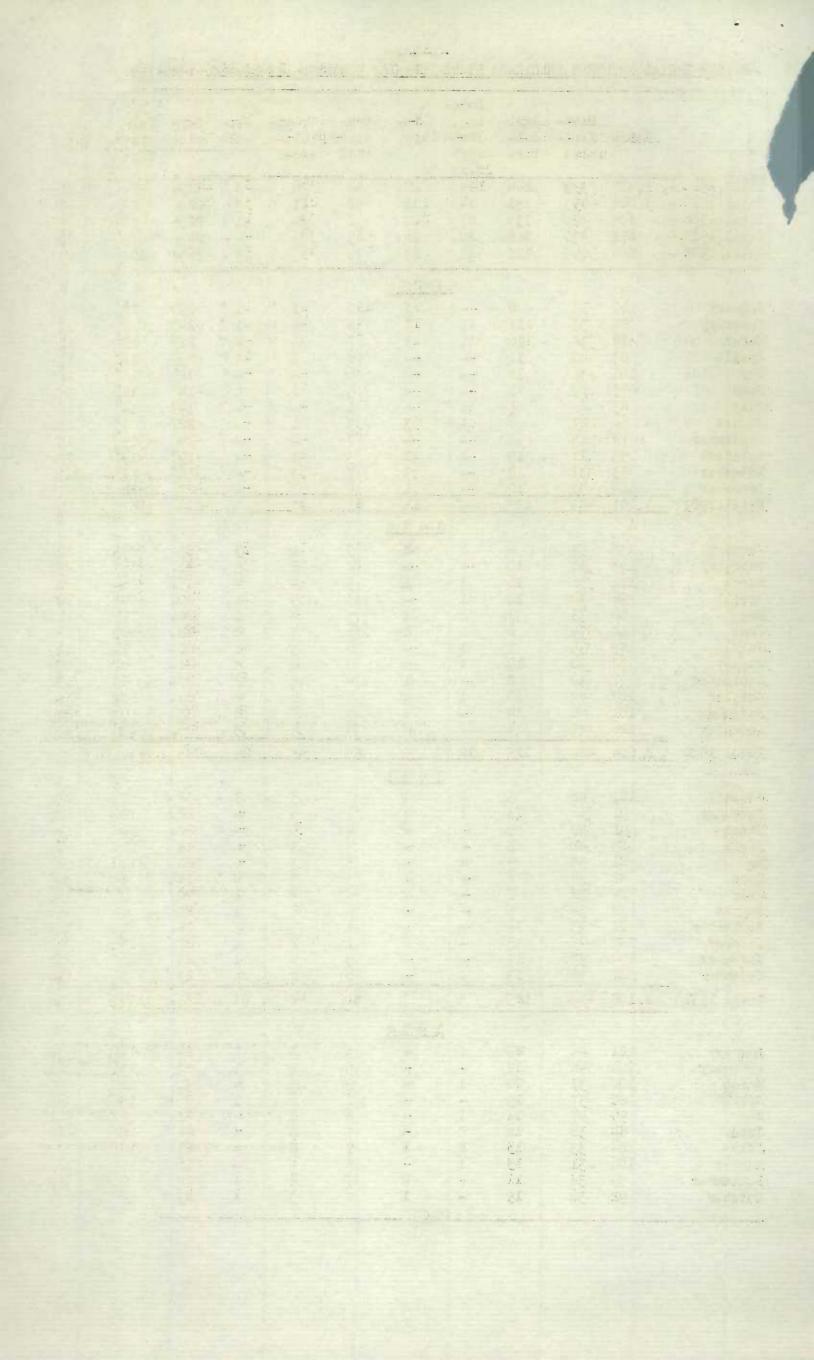
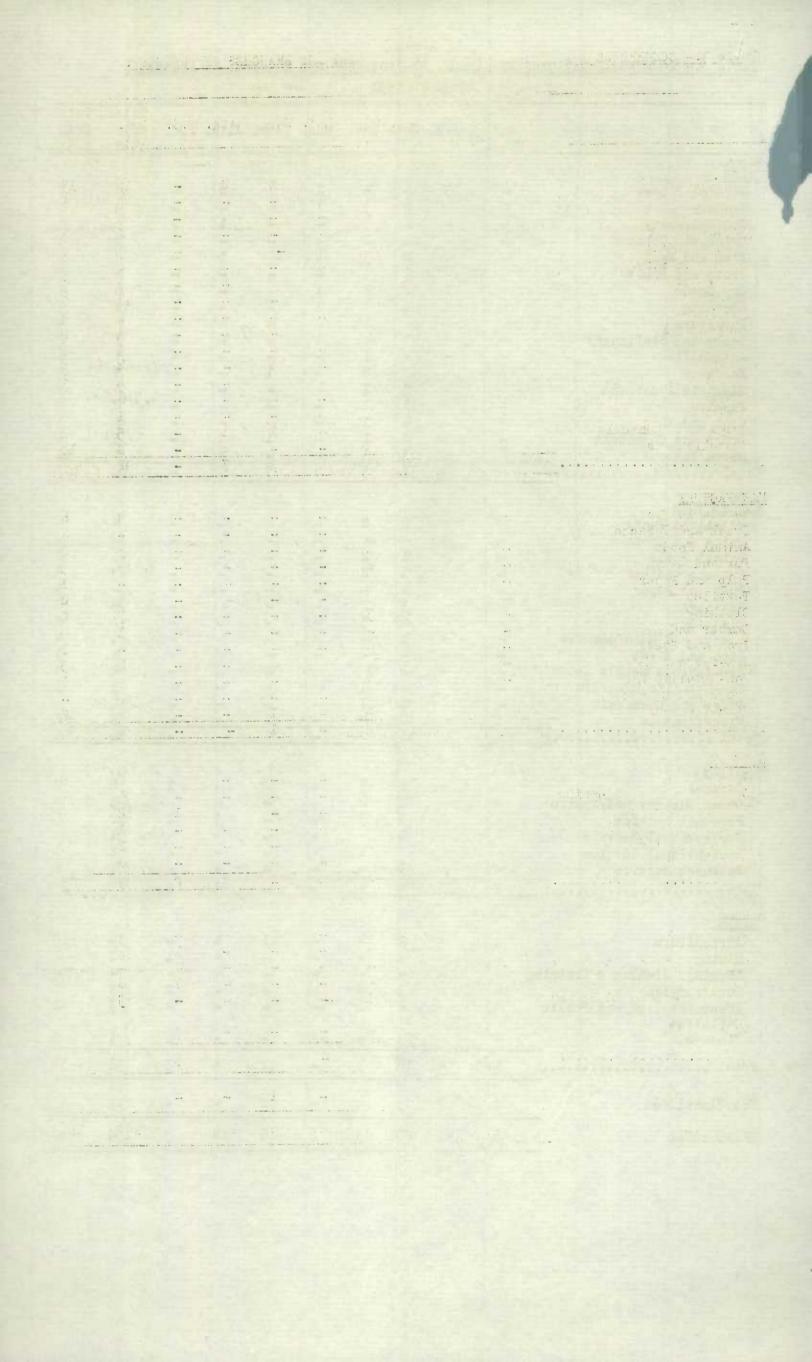


Table 3.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES AND BRANCHES OF BUSINESS. OCTOBER, 1932

		OCTOBE	R. 19	32						
	and N. S.	П.Б.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.	Total Oct. 1932	Total Oct. 1931
TRADE										
General Stores	cité	3,	6	5	2	1	2	-	19	13
Grocery	00	e	MACE	5 3 3	1	-	-	***	96	
Confectionery	ea.	,3		3	-	-	1	-	6	8 8 36
Drink and Tobacco	P. 5	rec	1.	1	***	***	-	-	2	3
Fish and Meat	«la	687	5	3	1	***	1	•	7	
Boots and Shoes	610	res ^a	3	1	-		-	-	4	5994
Dry Goods	100	1	2	2	1	-	***	-	6	9
Clothing	(4)	7.	5	4	1	-	-	**	11	9
Furniture	7	1.	agen s	1	***	-	-	-	2	4
Books and Stationery	•>	100.1	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Automobile		179	m de	1	-	9	-	-	1 4	6
Hardware	811	en.		2	-	1	-	-	4	5
Electric Apparatus	CMB	6.5	3	1	-	-	-	-		3
Jewelry Coal and Wood	640	60	J.	1		-	-	-	2	4
Drugs and Chemicals		(m)	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	3
Miscellaneous	treb		3	7	-		5	-	5	70
Total	Cost Cost	6	37	33	6	3	7		92	18
TOVAL			21	22	0)			92	101
S.C.A. STETTINA ASTRESS TO TO										
MANUFACTURE			2	2					4	6
Vegetable Foods Drink and Tobacco	£48	120				-	-	-	4	0
Animal Foods	9-3	owy	1	2	-		-		7	2
Fur and Leather	603	90	1	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
Pulp and Paper	0.0		ω. γ	(100)	-	-	-		3	5
Textiles	61)	C.O.	3	2	-	-				2
Clothing	(21)	0.3	14	3			-	_	5 7	8
Lumber and Manufactures		700	1	_					1	71
Iron and Steel	-	Brid	980	_	_			_		7
Non-ferrous Metals	_		7	1	-			100	2	7
Nor-Metallic Minerals	P/2	1	And a	1	040		_	-	1	1
Drugs and Chemicals	910	4 46.7	1	1	-	_	-	-	2	-
Miscellaneous	1	(91)	2	4	-	1	-	-	8	12
Total	J.	N/O	1.5	18	-	1	P00	-	36	45
		and the same of th								
SERVICE										
Garages	5	120	2	3	-	-	_	1	8	8
Other Customs and Repairs	(80)	-	2	2	_	**	-	-	3	5
Personal Service	C TO	-	3	3 2 3	-	-	3	1	3	5 5
Professional Service	Lab	-10	1	-		-	-	800	1	0-10
Recreational Service	2040	1	110	1	-	-	***	-	2	1
Business Service	-	rm	1.	rest	-	-	-	-	1	8
Total	2	3	8	9	-	_	3	2	27	27
		Para a lat								-
OTHER										
Agriculture	1	(-3	9	4	-	1	4	-	19	15
Mining	-2	no	900	-	-	-	_	1	1	15
Logging, Fishing & Trapping	ne	cad	tis.	_		-	-	-	_	
Construction	Comb	(9	3	4	-	-	-	1	8	7 2
Transportation and Public	dard)	696	2	1		**	**		3	2
Utilities										
Finance	-	es	6.5	0-9	-			1	i	g
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Total	4.	co	114	9	-	1	4	3	32	34
										4.47
Not Classified	7	3.	5	4	-	1	-	-	12	13
		President Contractor		-			,			-
GRAND TOTAL	5	C.I	80	73	6	6	14	5	199	226
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Table 4.- COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES, SHOWING ASSETS

AND LIABILITIES FOR OCTOBER, 1932, AND FOR THE FIRST

TEN MONTHS OF 1932 AND THE PRECEDING YEARS

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

	No. of Bankrupt- cies	Estimated Grand Total Assets	Estimated Grand Total Liabilities
	No.	\$	\$
Prince Edward Island	-	••	-
Nova Scotia	5	31,314	60,263
New Brunswick	10	56,607	68,157
Quebec	80	1,157,003	1,384,106
Ontario	73	1,126,674	1,312,740
Manitoba	6	71,146	154,717
Saskatchewan	6	111,904	194,659
Alberta	14	108,640	179,498
British Columbia	5	50,832	85,080
Total for October, 1932	199	2,714,120	3,439,220
Total for September, 1932	193	3,782,803	3,926,294
Total for October, 1931	226	14,727,509	12,378,396
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1932	1,995	32,081,964	34,506,706
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1931	1,807	40,745,303	45,260,019
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1930	1,941	38,174,016	40,565,515
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1929	1,766	27,483,281	32,391,423
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1928	1,614	19,973,211	23,974,442
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1927	1,478	19,062,913	24,735,094
Cumulative Total for 10 months, 1926	1,437	18,591,334	24,083,172
		21,586,663	

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