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PRICE MOVEMENTS, DECEMBER, 1936.

COMMODITIES

Rapidly rising basic commodity markets carried the Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesals prices upward 4.6 p.c. during December, the greatest gain for a single month since the speculative rise in July 1933. The index for the final wock of December was 80.8 as compared with 7/.2 for the end of November. This was 11 p.c. above levels at the beginning of 1936. The December rise, although led by wheat which was quoted at the highest prices since January 1930 was supported by a wide variety of raw materials. Rubber and the non-ferrous metals were again very active. Raw cotton was unusually strong, and the characteristic rigidity of iron and steel prices was broken by appreciable increases during December. Intimations were current that United States commodity exchanges might take steps to curb speculative activity, by increasing traders' margins. The relative movement of prices during the past year in different commodity groups is indicated by the following percentages of increase: Vegetable Products 28.0, Animal Products 1.8, Textiles 2.0, Wood Products 5.8, Iron and Its Products 4.9, Non-Ferrous Metals 17.8, Non-Metallic Minerals 0.5, Chemical Products 1.9, and Canadian Farm Products 29.6.

COST OF LIVING

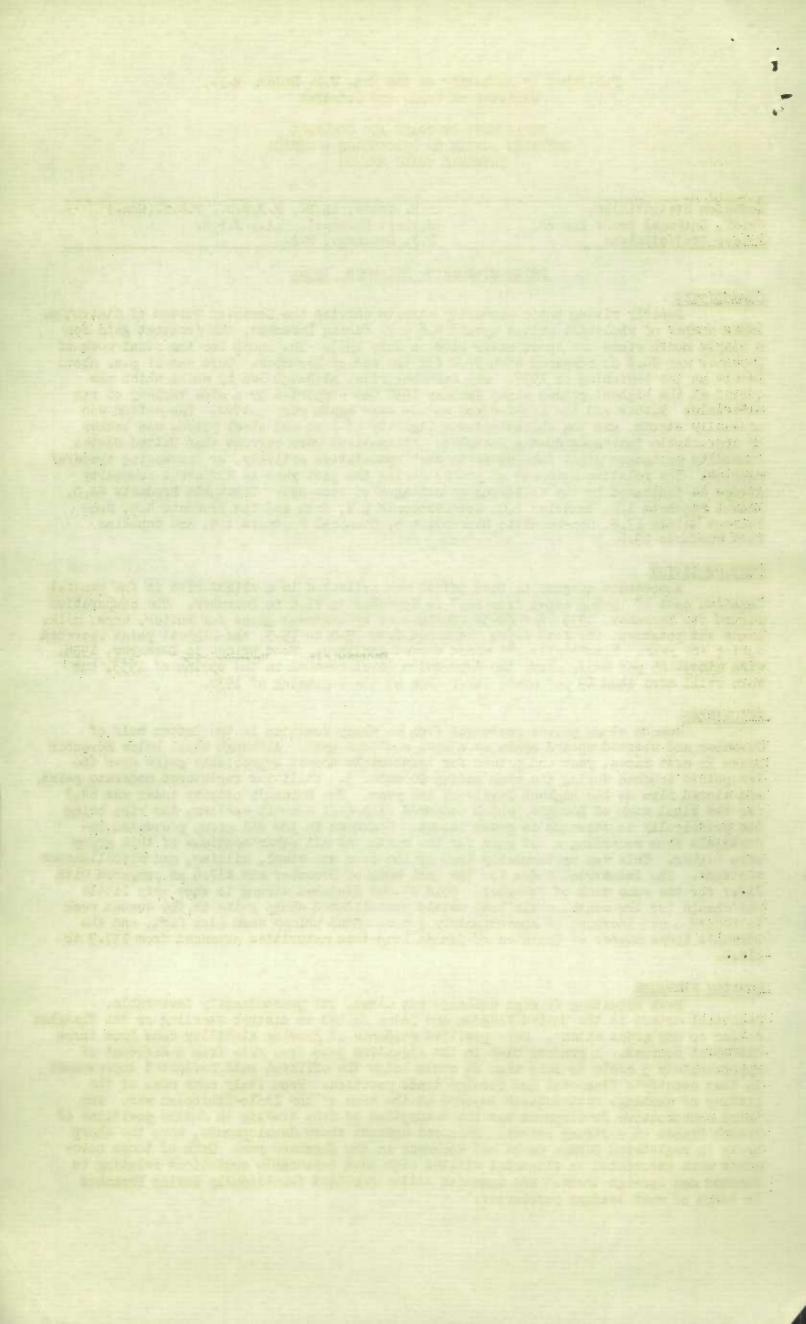
A moderate advance in food prices was reflected in a slight rise in the general Canadian cost of living index from \$1.7 in November to \$1.8 in December. The comparative figure for December, 1935, was \$0.5. Influenced by seasonal gains for butter, eggs, milk, beans and potatoes, the food index increased from 75.0 to 75.3, the highest point recorded during the year. Practically all meats showed declines. Food prices in December, 1936, were almost 25 per cent. above the depression level reached in the spring of 1933, but were still more than 29 per cent. lower than at the beginning of 1930.

SECURITIES

Common stock prices recovered from the sharp reaction in the latter half of November and started upward again at a more cautious pace. Although still below November peaks in most cases, year end prices for industrials showed appreciable gains over the low points touched during the week ending December 3. Utilities registered moderate gains, and closed firm at the highest levels of the year. The Bureau's utility index was 64.7 for the final week of December which compared with 61.1 a month earlier, the rise being due principally to strength in power issues. Weakness in the oil group prevented industrials from recording a net gain for the month, as all other sections of this group were higher. This was particularly true of the iron and steel, milling, and miscellaneous sections. The industrial index for the Rast week of December was 217.6 as compared with 217.7 for the same week of November. Gold stocks finished strong to show very little net change for the month, while base metals consolidated sharp gains in the second week to record a net increase of approximately 3 p.c. Bond prices were also firm, and the Bureau's index number of Dominion of Canada long-term maturities advanced from 117.9 to 118.4.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

News regarding foreign exchange was mixed, but predominantly favourable. Political crises in the United Kingdom and China failed to disturb sterling or the Shanghai dollar to any great extent. More positive evidence of growing stability came from three different sources. A gradual rise in the Argentine peso free rate from a discount of approximately 5 cents to loss than 2½ cents below the official rate reflected improvement in that country's financial and foreign trade position. From Italy came news of the lifting of exchange restrictions imposed at the time of the Italo-Ethiopian war. The third constructive development was the resumption of free trading in future positions of French francs on a strong market. Balanced against these developments, were the sharp break in registered German marks and weakness in the Japanese yen. Both of these movements were associated in financial circles with less favourable conditions relating to finance and foreign trade. The Canadian dollar declined fractionally during December in terms of most leading currencies.



SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT COMMODITY MARKETS

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS: Grain prices in December registered the most pronounced gains in many years despite a sharp setback in the third week. Coarse grains shared fully in this movement, particularly rye and barloy, top grades for which marked up net gains of ever 30 cents and 10 cents per bushel respectively. No.1 Manitoba Northern cash wheat at Winnipeg mounted 19 1/8 cents per bushel. Liverpool led the advance with Winnipeg tending to follow closely at first, but more cautiously in the last two weeks, while Chicago definitely lost ground during this period. The basic force behind the rise was the changed outlook regarding European import requirements which had previously been underestimated materially. It was supported also by heavy rains in the Argentine tending to increase the percentage of soft wheat harvested, and by potential Oriental demand for Australian wheat. A sharp reaction from December 18 to 23, coincided with a lull in European demand and considerable liquidation of long positions. Losses approximating six cents per bushel were completely wiped out, however, in the two following days with Liverpool leading in the recovery. As the year closed markets were quieter, with overseas demand less active, and little pressure from the principal experting countries.

Descriptions (Basis, cash per bushel,	1935	1936	1936	Net
Fort William and	December	November	December	Change
Port Arthur)	Average	Average	Average	December 1936
No.1 Manitoba Northern wheat	\$4.7	108.4	120.2	# 19 1/8
	29.8	45.4	50.0	# 7 3/8
No.2 C.W. rye	41.6	75.4	96.6	7 50 3/4
	33.8	61.9	76.4	7 13 1/8
	145.8	159.2	167.6	7 15 1/4

FLOUR AND MILIED PRODUCTS: Rising wheat prices carried flour quotations upward in their wake. Higher levels were supported by active interest from overseas buyers, although this proved more beneficial to eastern than to western millers. Rolled oats, bran, and shorts also recorded gains during December.

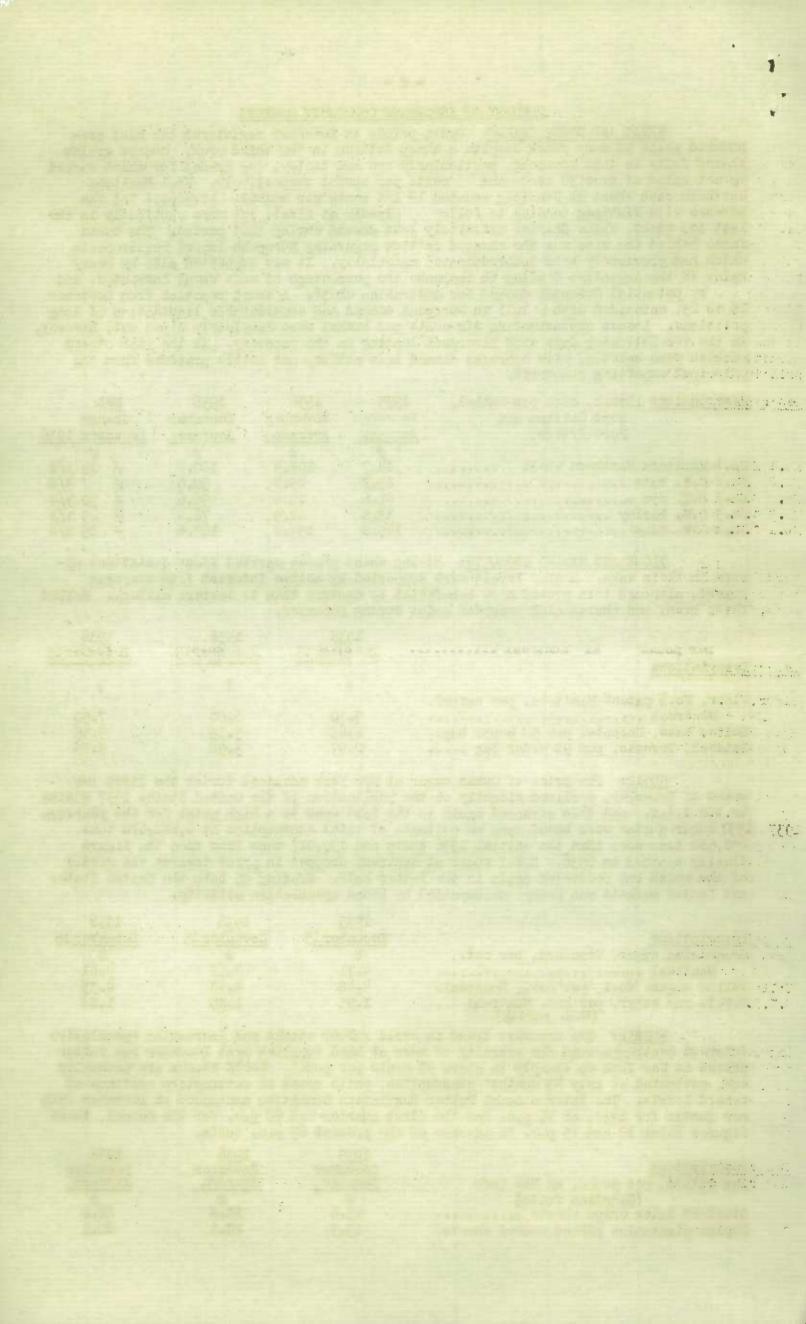
The annia hi was	1935	1936	1936
	December 15	November 15	Docember 15
Descriptions Flour, No.1 patent Manitoba, per barrel,	\$	\$	ψ
Rolled oats, Toronto, per 90 pound bag Oatmeal, Toronto, per 98 pound bag	5. 70	6.60	7.50
	2.65	3.15	3.45
	2. 97	3.52	3.75

SUGAR: The price of Cuban sugar at New York advanced during the first two weeks of December, declined slightly on the publication of the United States 1937 quotas by the A.A.A., and then advanced again in the last week to a high point for the year. The 1937 sugar quotas were based upon an estimate of total consumption at 6,682,670 tons, 248,582 tons more than the initial 1936 quota and 130,017 tons less than the figure finally reached in 1936. B.W.I sugar at Montreal dropped in price towards the middle of the month but recovered again in the latter half. Trading on both the United States and London markets was heavy, accompanied by broad speculative activity.

	1935	1936	1936
Descriptions	December 15	November 15	December 15
Granulated sugar, standard, per cwt.,	\$	\$	\$
Montreal	4.71	4.61	4.61
Yellow sugar, No.1, per cwt., Montreal.	4.45	4.33	4.33
B.W.I. raw sugar, per cwt. Montreal	1.95	1.85	1.88

RUBBER: The downward trend in world rubber stocks and increasing speculative interest centring around the scarcity of near at hand supplies sent December raw rubber prices at New York up sharply to above 20 cents per pound. World stocks are unusually low, estimated at only $\frac{1}{2}$ months: consumption, while rades of consumption continue at record levels. The International Rubber Regulation Committee announced on December 15th new quotas for 1937, of 75 p.c. for the first quarter and 80 p.c. for the second, these figures being 10 and 15 p.c. in advance of the present 65 p.c. quota.

Descriptions Raw ribbed, per pound, at New York	1935 December Average	1936 November Average	1936 December Average
(Canadian funds)	¢	¢	¢
Standard latex crepe sheets	13.6	18.8	22.1
Ceylon plantation ribbed smoked sheets.	13.3	18.1	20.1



LIVESTOCK: Considerable strength was displayed by livestock markets in December despite the holiday season. Runs of all classes were kept well adjusted to current needs and prices moved forward. Exports, with the exception of hogs, were low, but liberal shipments of bacons were reported to both the United States and Great Britain, while the United Kingdom bacon prices remained firm.

Descriptions Steers, good, over 1050 pounds, per cwt.	1935	1936	1936
	December	November	December
	Average	Average	Average
at Toronto Winnipeg Calves, good veal, per cwt.	6.33	5.14	5.46
	4.88	4.63	4.82
at Toronto	9.60	8.37	9.48
	7.23	5.81	7.16
at Toronto Winnipeg Hogs, bacon, per cwt.at Toronto Winnipeg	8.77	7.96	8.50
	7.37	6.88	7.64
	8.40	7.59	8.21
	7.42	7.01	7.38

BUTTER: Trading in major butter markets was dull during the early part of the month and dealers appeared to lack interest. Existing demand was sufficient to take of the meagre offerings and prices held comparatively steady. Towards the close of December, buying became more active and quotations at some centres reached the highest levels for the current year. Cold storage stocks, as estimated by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at 43,522,649 pounds on December 1, showed a drop of 18 p.c. from heldings on the first of the previous month, but were about 7 p.c. greater than on December 1, 1935.

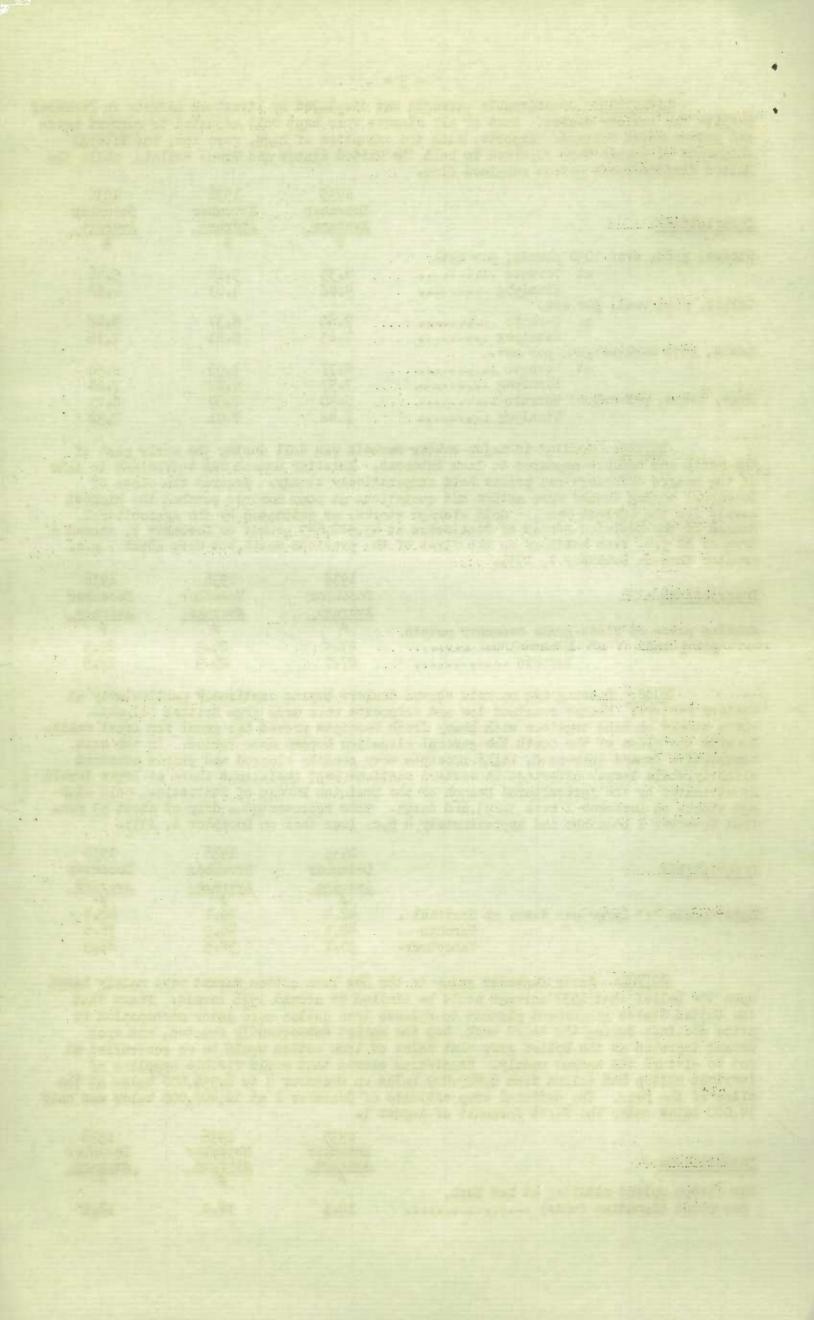
	1935	1936	1936
Descriptions	December	November	December
	Average	Average	Average
Jobbing price of first grade sweamery prints	#	¢	¢
per pound at Montreal	27.8	26.5	27.3
Toronto	27.7	26.9	27.5

EGGS: Opening egg markets showed dealers buying cautiously particularly at eastern centres. Demand remained low and shipments were made from British Columbia where stocks on hand together with heavy fresh receipts proved too great for local needs. Towards the close of the month the general situation became more varied. In the east, consumptive demand increased, light receipts were readily cloared and prices advanced slightly, while larger offerings on western sections kept quotations there at lower levels As estimated by the Agricultural Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, cold storage stocks on December 1 were 3,293,668 dozen. This represented a drop of about 53 p.c. from November 1 holdings and approximately 4 p.c. loss than on December 1, 1935.

Descriptions	1935	1936	1936
	December	November	December
	Average	Average	Average
Eggs, grade "A" large per dozen at Montreal Toronto	42°4	49.1	40.4
	40°1	46.9	36.6
Vancouver.	30.1	38.5	28.9

COTTON: Early December gains in the New York cotton market were mainly based upon the belief that 1937 acreage would be limited to around 1936 levels. Fears that the United States government planned to release loan cotton were later accompanied by price declines during the third week, but the market subsequently reacted, and spot demand improved as the belief grew that sales of loan cotton would be so controlled as not to disturb the market unduly. Statistics showed that world visible supplies of American cotton had fallen from 6,809,000 bales on December 4 to 6,596,000 bales at the class of the year. The official crop estimate of December 1 at 12,407,000 bales was only 74,000 bales under the first forecast of August 1.

Descriptions	December Average	November Average	1936 December Average
Raw cotton upland middling at New York,		*	*
per pound (Canadian funds)	12.1	12.2	12.8



SILK: Considerable liquidation and disappointing November consumption figures were credited with depressing silk futures on the New York market in the early part of December. Subsequently values improved on reports of more active buying and sharp price increases in primary centres. The actual United States December consumption of 41,627 bales exceeded previous estimates ranging from 38,000 to 40,000 bales. Japanese stocks at the end of the year were shown as 78,700 bales, 1,400 bales less than a month earlier.

Descriptions Raw silk per pound, quoted on a 60 day basis at New York (Canadian funds)	1935 December Average	1936 November Average	1936 December Average
Special Grand XX 85 p.c. 20-22 deniers	2.14	2.00	2.01
Special Grand XX 83 p.c. 13-15 deniers	2.16	2.04	2.06

WOOL: Reflecting the strong price levels in primary markets, Canadian wool quotations held firm. Stocks of wool are low, and a fair volume of business was transacted although some dealers appeared hesitant about buying at the higher prices. Experts of raw wool mounted from 796,996 pounds in October to 1,414,256 pounds in November.

Descriptions	1935 December 15	1936 November 15	1936 December 15
Raw wool per pound in quantities of 20,000 pounds or more f.o.b. Weston	<i>\$</i>	¢	¢
Eastern bright, low, medium, 3/8 blood staple or 50's	18.0	22.0	24.5
Western semi-bright 1 blood staple 58's-60's	19.0	22.0	24.0

LUMBER AND TIMBER: General stiffening of prices was recorded in lumber markets. Demand held good and was reported unusually brisk for western grades due to the desire of eastern dealers to replenish stocks before rail freight rates increased. Unsettled shipping conditions in the United States continued to contribute to a better inquiry for Canadian specifications. The British Columbia October log scale of 311,562,000 feet reached the highest level since June 1930.

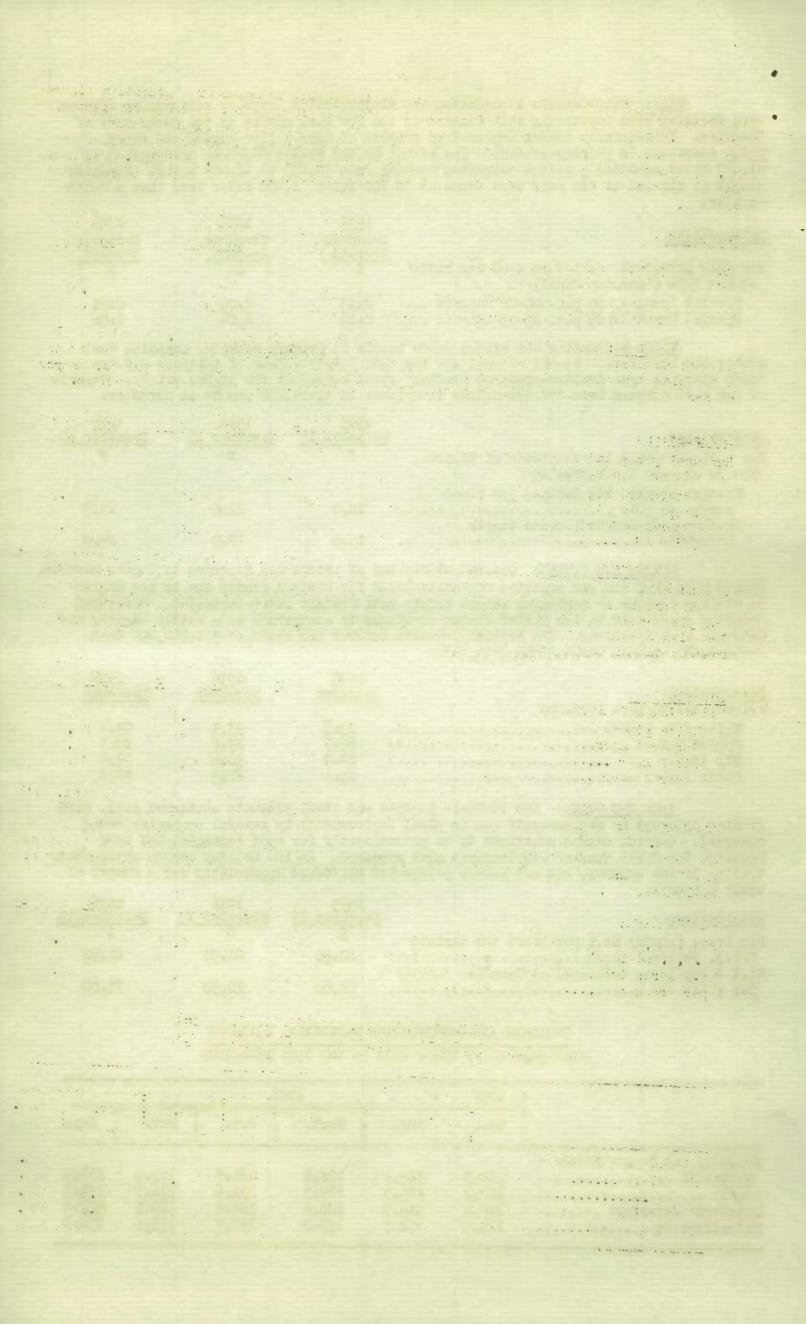
Descriptions Price Index Numbers 1926-100	1935	1936	1936
	December	November	December
White pine lumber	69.7 84.3	93.1 89.2 90.6 87.3	93.4 88.4 92.4 88.2

IRON AND STEEL: New business in iron and steel products continued good, with greater interest in replacements and in plant improvements by several companies being observed. Current demand continued to be predominantly for spot tonnages, but some bookings for first quarter requirements also appeared. As the holiday season approached, trading became quieter, but not before prices had stiffened appreciably for a number of basic products.

	1935	1936	1936
Descriptions	December 15	November 15	1936 December 15
Pig iron, foundry No.1 per gross ton carlots	\$	\$	\$
f.o.b. sellers! works	20.50	20.50	21.50
No.1 scrap iron, delivered at Canadian foundry			
per gross ton	10.00	10.50	11.00

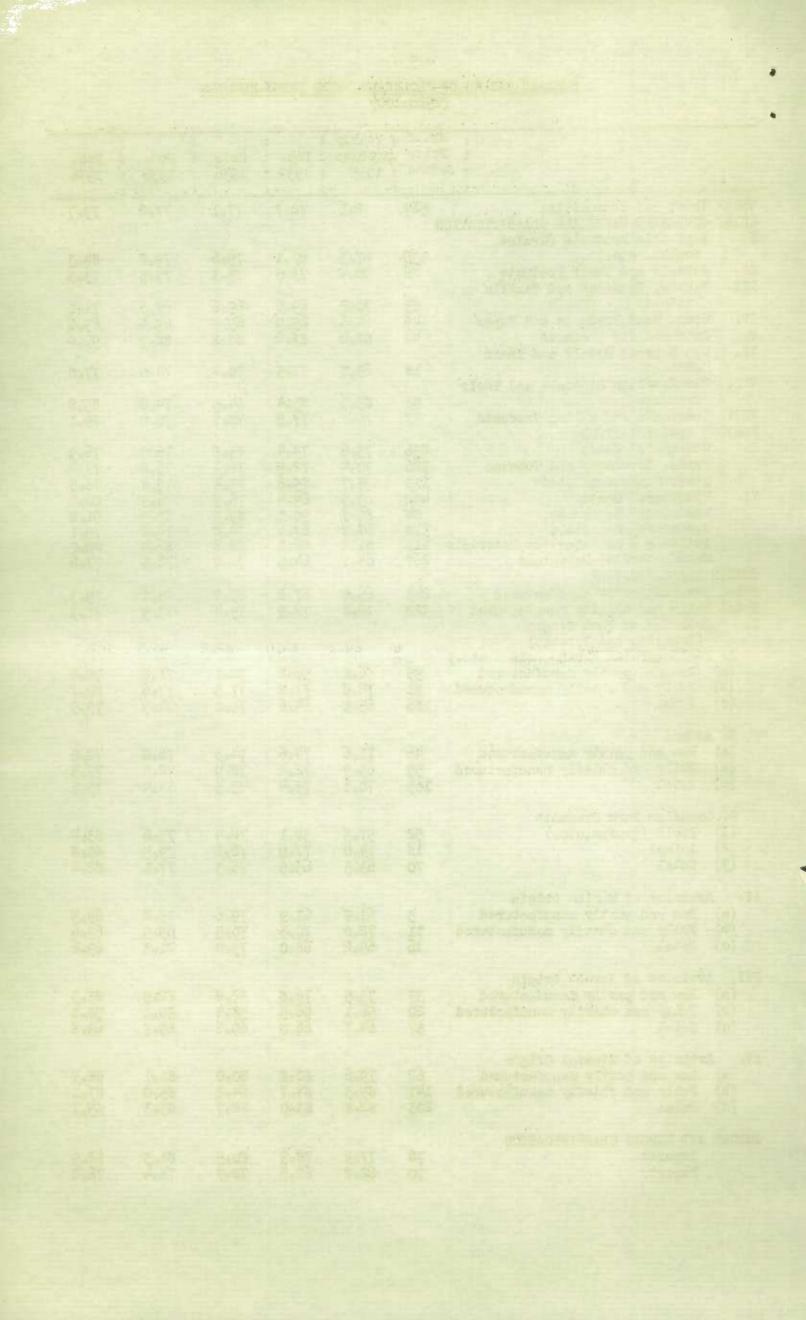
EUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS, 1913=100 (See page 8 for these data on the base 1926=100)

	1935	:	1936			
	Deco	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Building and Construction Materials Itumber	122.5 120.2 115.4 129.9	127.9 129.0 119.5 132.5	128.3 129.1 120.2 133.0	129.2 131.6 120.1 132.7	129.5 131.7 120.1 133.1	131.3 132.1 122.0 136.4



SUMMARY TABLES OF WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX NUMBERS (1926=100)

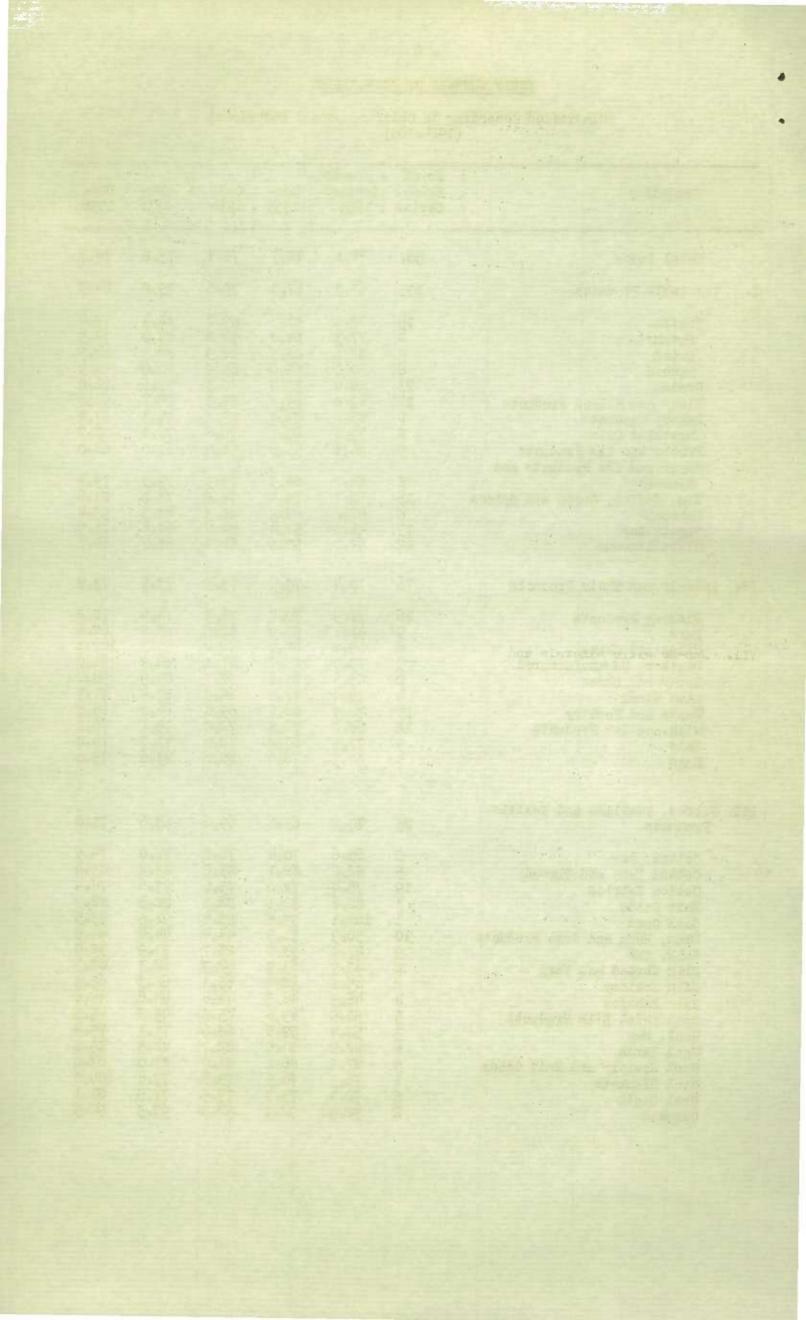
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Total Index 567 Commodities CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS CLASSIFIC	567 CATION	72.1	72,7	7701	77.2	79.7
I. Vegetable Products (Grains, fruits, etc.) II. Animals and Their Products	135		67°1 73°0	79°6 73°3	79°2 73°5	84°3 73°9
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products IV. Wood, Wood Products and Pape: V. Iron and Its Products	r 119	6h° 6	69.6 65.9 87.2	69°6 69°4 88°2	69°6 69°4 88°3	71.0 69.6 91.4
Vi. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	1.8		71.5	70.4	74.0	77.08
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and The Products VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	83		85°4 77°5	8409 7807	84°8 78°8	85.8 79.1
TURPOSE CLASSIFICATION I. Consumers: Goods Foods, Beverages and Tobacco Other Consumers! Goods	236 126 110 402	70°4 75°7	74.4 72.5 75.6	75.8 76.4 75.4	76.0 76.2 75.8	76.9 77.4 76.5
II. Producers: Goods Producers: Equipment Producers: Materials Building & Construction Materials Manufacturers: Materials	24 378	89°8 67°2 81°2	69°4 90°1 67°1 82°1 64°5	76.3 89.5 74.8 86.6 72.8	76.3 89.5 74.8 86.8 72.8	80.4 91.8 79.1 88.0 77.6
ORIGIN CLASSIFICATION Total Raw and Partly Manufactured Total Fully and Chicily Manufacture I. Articles of Farm Origin (Domestic and Foreign)	245 ed 328		67°2 72°9	75°2 75°4	75.8 75.5	79°3 77°3
A. Field (grains, fruits, cotton, (a) Raw and partly manufacture (b) Fully and chiefly manufact (c) Total	a 95	72.8	56.2 71.8 64.6	72°1 77°5 75°0	71.8 77.6 74.9	78.0 80.7 79.5
B. Animal (a) Raw and partly manufactuse (b) Fully and chiefly manufact (c) Total		69.9	74.6 72.4 73.4	74°3 72°9 73°5	76.8 72.6 74.4	78.0 73.5 75.5
0. Canadian Farm Products (1) Field (grains, etc.) (2) Animal (3) Total	53 18 70	74.0	58°1 77°9 65°5	76.14 76.2 76.3	75.6 79.5 77.1	83°4 80°8 82°4
II. Articles of Marine Origin (a) Raw and partly manufacture (b) Fully and chiefly manufact (c) Total		72.0	61.9 70.3 68.0	79.6 70.5 73.0	75°2 69°9 71°3	69.5 69.6 69.6
III. Articles of Forest Origin (a) Raw and partly manufacture (b) Fully and chiefly manufact (c) Total		56.1	76°8 56°5 66°0	82.8 58.1 69.6	82.9 58.1 69.7	83.3 58.1 69.8
IV. Articles of Mineral Origin (a) Raw and partly manufacture (b) Fully and chiefly manufact (c) Total		85.3	80°8 84°7 83°0	80.0 814.8 1/2.7	81.01 85.0 83.3	82.7 87.1 85.1
IMPORT AND EXPORT CLASSIFICATION Imports Exports	78 70		7 8 .9 62.6	80°5 72° 7	81.63 72.04	82.9 76.2



INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(Classified According to Chief Souponent Materials) (1926=100)

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Commodity	Price	: Yearly :Average : 1935				: Dec. : 1936
Total Index	567	72°1	72.7	77.1	77.2	79.7
I. Vegetable Products	135	67.3	67.1	79.6	79.2	84.3
Fruits Fresh Dried Canned Grains Flour and Milled Products Bakery Products Vegetable Oils Rubber and Its Products Sugar and Its Products and Glucose Tea. Coffee, Cocoa and Spices Tobacco Vegetables Miscellaneous	15 5 6 23 12 2 8 9 8 15 8 13 22	77.1 77.3 82.6 70.0 59.8 69.8 83.0 70.8 56.8 82.7 70.7 42.6 46.0 67.0	81.7 84.0 80.3 69.0 57.0 69.5 59.5 80.4 57.5 59.4 57.5 59.4 57.5	89°72 82°33 69°85 85°6°2 76°6 58°3 74°3 64°4 61°4	84.3 87.0 82.3 70.0 77.6 85.7 86.3 76.2 61.0 79.3 76.0 43.3 63.4 61.7	75.4 74.5 71.0 94.0 94.0 87.7 62.0 79.4 62.0 79.6 71.9 64.7
II. Animals and Their Products	76	70.4	73.0	73.3	73.5	73.9
Fishery Products Furs Hides and Skins Leather, Ummanufactured Boots and Shoes Live Stock Meats and Poultry Milk and Its Products Fats Eggs	16 96 92 4 10 12 53	71.5 51.7 69.2 79.0 85.3 79.4 70.9 68.2 77.1	70.4 51.9 85.7 87.8 77.2 68.6 72.8 50.8 78.0	76.4 55.8 82.2 87.1 88.7 68.0 69.0 72.8 72.0 80.0		72.2 62.6 102.1 91.0 90.0 71.7 66.9 76.1 74.8 75.6
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	85	70,2	69 ₀ 6	69,6	69,6	71.0
Cotton, raw Cotton Yarn and Thread Cotton Fabrics Knit Goods Sash Cord Flax, Hemp and Jute Products Silk, raw Silk Thread and Yarn Silk Hosiery Silk Fabrics Artificial Silk Products Wool, raw Wool Yarns Wool Hosiery and Enit Goods Wool Blankets Wool Cloth Carpets	251931 1092245365162	69.6 82.2 76.4 82.6 102.1 50.9 65.8 46.3 50.5 46.3 50.6 87.1 76.5 72.9 92.5	72.0 82.0 93.5 93.5 93.5 93.6 94.2 49.6 94.5 94.5 76.5	82.3 93.5 44.4 28.7 62.3 65.6 45.6 45.6 82.7 87.0	79.6	



	Commodities	No. of Price : Series:	Average	: Dec. : 1935	: 0cto : 1936	: Nov. : 1936 :	
IV.	Wood, Wood Products and Paper	49	64.6	65.9	69.4	69.4	69.6
	Newsprint	2	54.0	54.0	55.4	55.4	55.4
	Lumber	33	77.8	31.0	58.7	53.8	89.1
	Pulp	3	66.9	67.0	69.4	69.3	69.9
	Furniture	10	66.8	70.7	69.3	69.3	69.3
	Matches	1	76.2	76.2	77.9	77.9	77.9
V.	Iron and Its Products	114	87.2	87.2	88.2	88.3	91.4
	Pig Iron and Steel Billets	3	83.0	83.0	83.0	83.0	87.2
	Rolling Mill Products		92.0	92.1	9209	93°J.	96.8
	Pipe (Cast Iron and Steel)	2	85.2	84.3	85.2	85.2	86.5
	Hardware	16	87.5	87.3	85.2	86.2	87.9
	Wire	3	86.8	86.8	85.8	86.8	91.7
	Scrap	5	56.5	57.6	66.7	66.7	67.6
	Miscellaneous	1	95.0	95.,0	95.0	95.0	95.0
VI.	Non-Ferrous Metals and						
	Their Products	18	69.1	71.05	70.4	714.0	77.8
	Aluminium	2	78.5	7701	83.8	83.8	83.8
	Antimony	1	85.8	88.6	75.3	75.3	78.3
	Brass and Copper Products	6	59.9	65.0	70.0	73.8	77.1
	Lead and Its Products	2	48.9	57.5	58.0	66.7	77.2
	Silver	1	1.03.7	94.2	72.1	70.0	73.1
	Tin Ingots	5	78.8	78.0	69.2	82.5	82.2
	Zinc and Its Products Solder	1	45°3 79°3	49.5 78.5	44°4 77°8	84.9	54.1 84.9
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VII.	Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	83	85.5	85.4	84.9	54.5	85.8
	Clay and Allied Material Produc		88.4	88.4	87.4	87.4	87.4
	Pottery	13	88.2	58°2 92°5	93.5	93.5	93.5
	Coal	5	91.0	93.0	91.c3 93.0	91.1 93.0	91.3
	Manufactured Gas	3	98.0	98.0	98.0	98.0	98.0
	Coal Tar	í	108.1	113.2		107.5	107.5
	Glass and Its Products	6	80° J.	79.5		76.8	80.6
	Petroleum Products	6	7409	73.6	72.0	72.0	72.0
	Asphalt	2	91.4		91.4	91.4	
	Salt	4	92.6		7707	7707	77.7
	Sulphur	1	94.6	9/408	93.8	93.7	93.7
	Plaster	3 4	107.1		112.2	112.2	112.2
	Lime		99.7	99.7	105.7	105.7	105.7
	Cement	1	105.2		106,2	106.2	106,2
	Sand and Gravel	8	8800	87.3	91.4	91.4	91.4
	Crushed Stone	3 3	73.4	6401	85.8	85.8	85.8
	Building Stone	3	64.3		64.3		64.3
	Asbestos	8	77.6	75.8	75.8	75.8	75.8
VIII.	Chemicals and Allied Products	77	79.1	77.5	78.7	78.8	79.1
	Inorganic Chemicals	22	87.9			88.5	88.5
	Organic Chemicals	6	75.9	75.9		82.6	82.6
	Coal Tar Products	2	86,4			89.9	89.9
	Dyeing and Tanning Materials	10	105.7	1.05.2	105.3	106.1	106.1
	Explosives	2	7709	77.9	76.4	76.4	76.4
	Paint Materials	9	67.0		69.0	68.7	72.1
	Paints Prepared	5	7404	63.8	67.2	67.2	67.2
	Drugs and Pharmaceutical			-1			Bed and an
	Ohemicals	10	73.7		75.3	75.3	75.3
	Fertilizers	1.0	75.8	75.8	74.3		74.2
	Industrial Gases	2	88.7	88.7	93.6	93.1	92.2
	Soap	5	85.1	85.4	85.4	85.4	85.4

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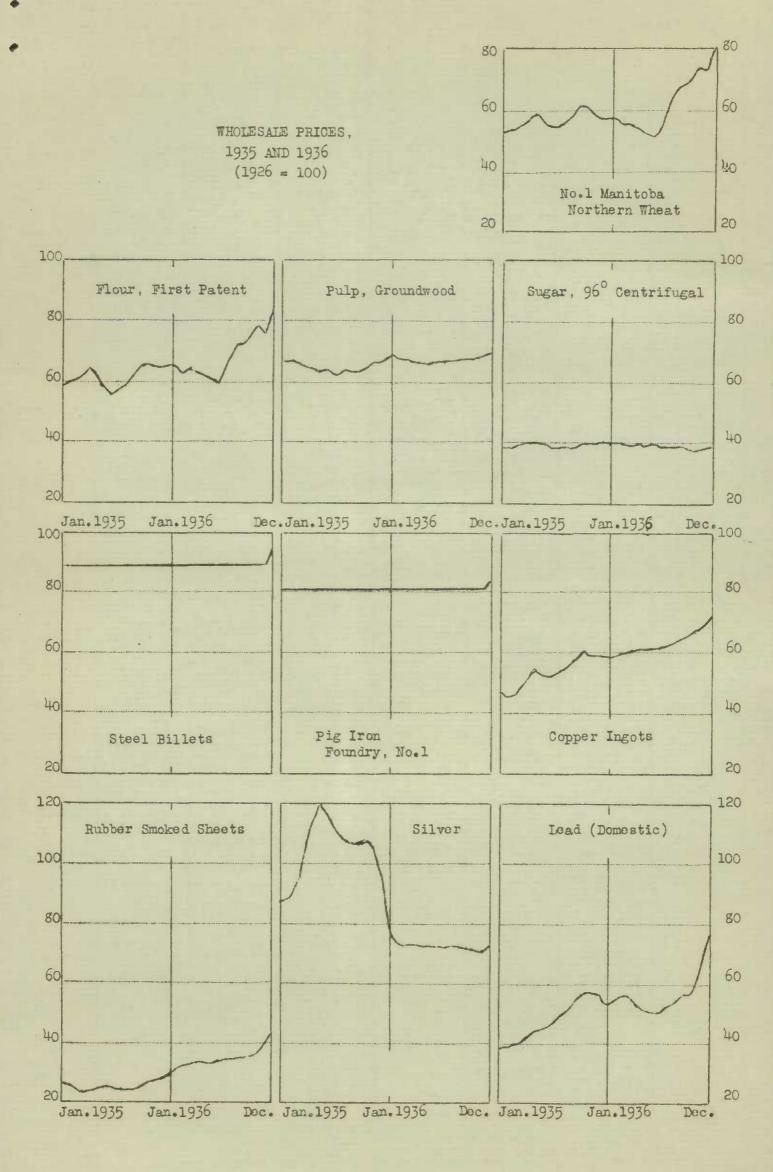
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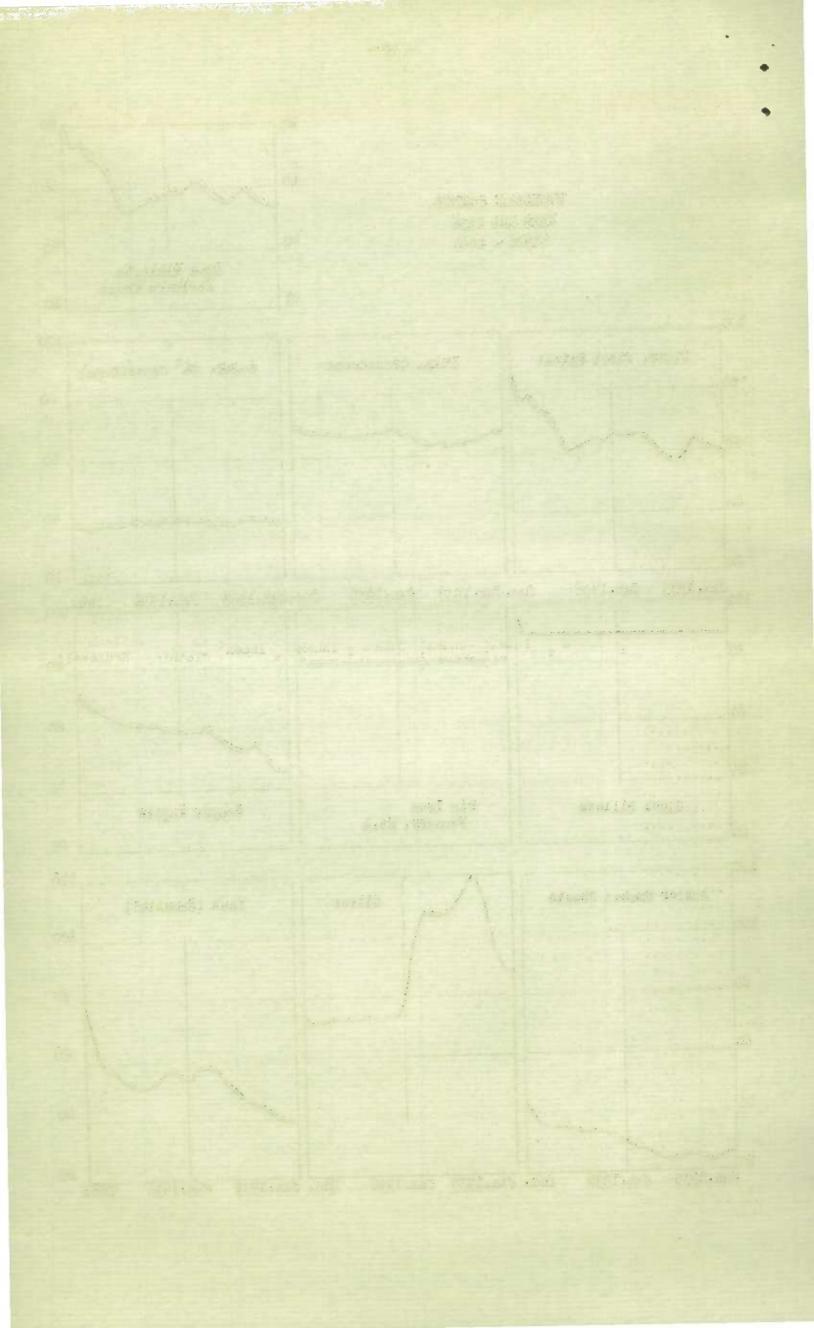
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WHOLESALE PRI	CES OF	IMPORTANT	COMMODI	TIES			
		: Average	Yearly		Nov.	Dec.	
		: 1926	. WAGT 98	: 1935	: 1936		
		:	: 1935	:	:		
OATS, No.2 C.W. Pt.William and Pt.Arthur basis	Bush.	, 548	. 385	.298	.454	•500	
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern Ft. William and Ft. Arthur basis	Bush.	1.495	.844	.847	1.084	1.202	
FLOUR, First Patent, 2-98's Jute		8.821	5,425	5.700	6.600	7.500	
+SUGAR, Br. West Indies, Montreal SUGAR, granulated,	Cwto	GeorT	1.899	1.950	1.850	1.875	
Montreal +RUBBER, Caylon, ribbed, smoked sheets	Cwto	5.958	4.832	4.705	4.610	4.610	
f.o.b. New York CATTLE, Steers, Good over 1050 lbs.	Lb.	-,488	.124	。1.33	.191	.201	
Toronto HOGS, Bacon	Cwto	7.330	6.438	6.330	5.140	5.460	
Toronto BEEF HIDES, Packer Hides, Native Steer	Cwto	13.320	8.973	8.400	7.590	8.210	
Toronto HIDES, Packer, crops, No.1 & Il. f.o.b	Lbo	.135	.122	.148	.145	.155	
Distributing points BOX SIDES B,	Lbo		.318	360	. 380	.390	
Oshawa BUTTER, Creamory, finest, prints,	Fto	.263	.212	。240	.240	°5/10	
Montreal.	Lb.	.390	.249	,278	.265	•273	
CHEESE, Canadian, old, large, Montreal EGGS, Grade "A" Large,	Lb.	.227	.150	。150	。170	.170	
Montreal. COTTON, raw 1" - 1 1/6"	Doz.	•	.312	.424	.491	,404	
Hamilton	Lbo	.194	.138	.139	.140	.147	
COTTON YARNS, 10's white, single Hosiery cops. Mill	Lb.	368	.296	.290	.300	.310	
New York, 13-15 deniors			1.904	2,208	2.127	2.148	
WOOL, castern bright, 1/4 blood, domes	Tpc	•306	.153	.180	.220	.245	
WOOL, western range, semi-bright blood, domestic, Toronto	Lb.	•316	.160	05%	.220	.240	
PULP, groundwood, No.1 f.o.b. Mill PIG IRON, Malleable, f.o.b. plant, Gr	Ton oss Ton	- 1			20.316		
STEEL, merchant bars, mild		2.450			2.250		
COPPER, Electrolytic, domestic, Montreal	Cwt.				11.000		
IEAD, domestic, foobb carlots Montreal	Cwto	8.1.54					
TIN INGOTS, Straits, f.o.b.	Lb.	.669	•555		.590		
ZINC, Domestic, fooobo carlots Montreal	Cwto	8.825			4.388		
COAL, Anthracite, Toronto,		13.560			10.710		
COAL, Bituminous, N.S. run-of-mino	Ton						
GASOLENE Toronto		. 253					
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Beaume	let Ton						
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⁺ For month of nearest delivery when spot quotations not available.





INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES IN CANADA, DECEMBER, 1936.

(Calculations based on prices for the first of each month)

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of retail prices, rents and costs of services on the base 1926-100, rose slightly from 81.7 in November to 81.8 in December, reflecting a moderate advance in the food group.

An index for retail prices alone including foods, coal, coke, clothing, house-hold requirements, etc., showed a slight advance from 77.2 to 77.3. When foods were removed from this index it remained unchanged at 79.2.

For 46 food items an index rose from 75.0 to 75.3, declines in meat prices being more than offset by gains for eggs, butter, milk, beans, onions and potatoes. Foods during 1936 were highest in December at 75.3 and lowest in April at 71.0. Between November and December, Grade "A" eggs advanced from 43.9¢ to 45.6¢ per dozen, while an average of Grade "B" and Grado "C" eggs was 35.2¢ in December as compared with 34.3¢ for the previous month. Milk at 10.9¢ per quart was fractionally higher. Creamory butter rose from 28.4¢ to 29.4¢, and dairy butter from 25.4¢ to 26.0¢ per pound. Dry beans at 6.7¢ and onions at 3.4¢ per pound registered small increases. Following a decline dating from August, potatoes reversed direction and recorded an upward movement from 28.6¢ to 29.4¢ per peck. Meat prices, which were slightly below the levol of a year ago, declined as follows between November and December: Sirloin beef from 22.6¢ to 22.0¢, shoulder beef from 12.0¢ to 11.8¢, veal from 13.4¢ to 13.3¢, mutton from 20.7¢ to 20.4¢, salt pork from 19.9¢ to 19.5¢, bacon from 30.0¢ to 29.1¢, and cooked ham from 52.6¢ to 51.6¢ per pound.

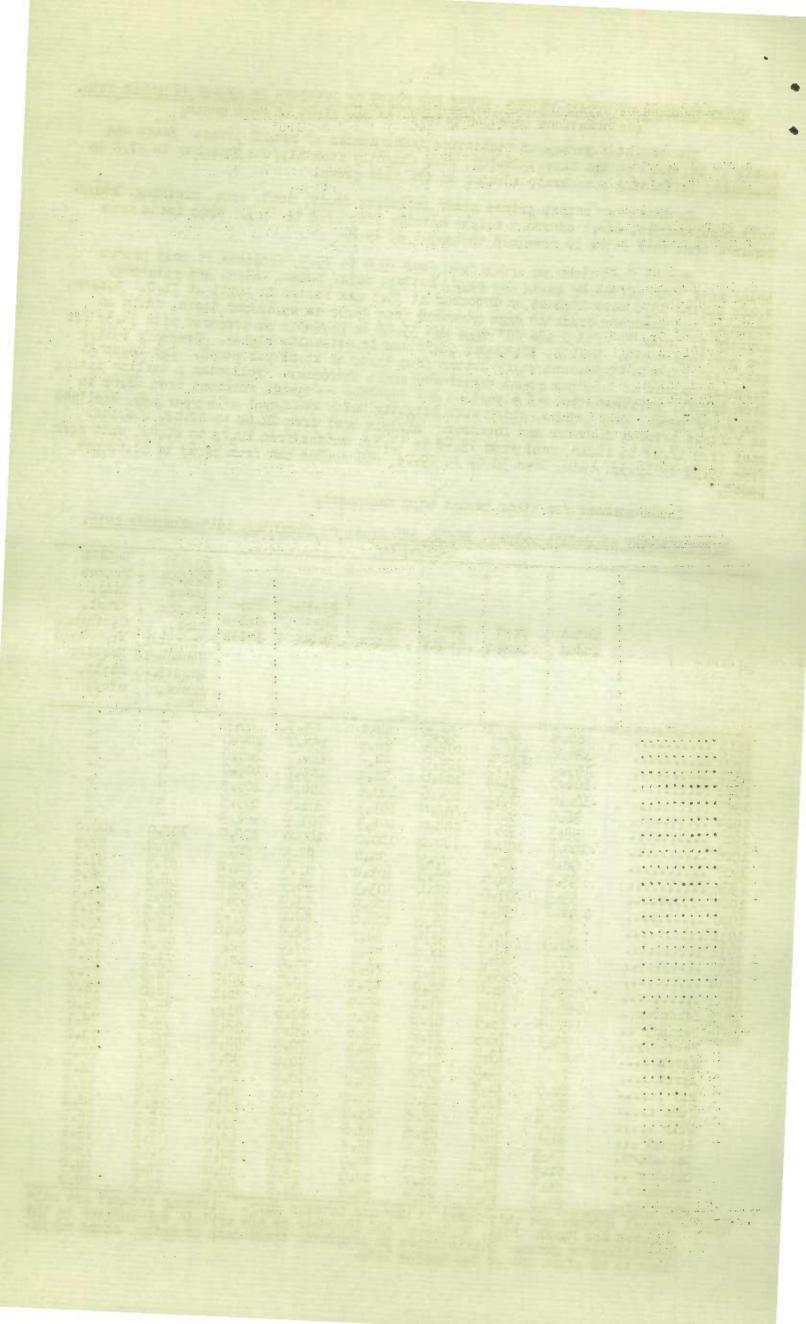
Index numbers for other groups were unchanged.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS, AND COSTS OF SERVICES, 1913-DECEMBER, 1936.
(1926=100)

			(1926	=100)				
	Total Index	Food Index	Fuel Index	Rent Index	Cloth- ing Index	Sun- dries Index	Retail : Prices : Index : (Foods, : Fuel, : Clothing; Household Require-: ments, : etc.)	
1913 1920 1921 1922 1923 1924 1925 1926 1927 1928 1929 1930 1931 1932 1933 1934 1935 1935 1935 1935 1935 1936 January February March April May	65.4 124.2 109.2 100.0 100.0 98.0 99.3 100.0 98.4 98.9 99.9 99.2 89.6 81.4 77.7 78.7 78.7 79.3 80.5 80.3 80.4 79.7	66.2 141.1 107.9 91.4 92.1 90.7 94.7 100.0 98.6 101.0 98.6 77.3 64.3 63.7 470.4 73.7 73.9 72.9 71.0 71.3	65.8 102.6 109.2 104.6 102.0 100.0 97.9 96.9 96.4 95.7 94.2 91.4 87.7 86.8 87.1 87.2 87.2 87.2 87.2	64.1 86.5 94.2 98.1 100.6 101.3 100.0 98.8 101.2 103.3 105.9 103.0 94.7 85.1 80.1 81.3 82.6 82.6 82.6 82.6 83.8	63.3 153.2 124.7 105.7 104.4 101.9 100.0 97.4 96.9 93.2 72.8 97.6 70.6 70.6 70.6	66.2 104.0 106.0 105.3 101.3 100.0 99.1 99.4 97.4 94.6 92.1 92.1 92.1 92.1		100.0 97.9 97.3 96.9 94.9 87.3 80.6 76.7 78.2 77.9 78.2 78.2 78.2 78.2 78.2
June July August September. October November December.	80.1 80.4 81.0 81.0 81.5 81.5	71.3 72.6 74.7 75.1 74.4 75.0	85.8 85.8 85.8 86.1 86.3 86.7	63.8 83.8 83.8 83.8 84.9 84.9	71.0 71.0 71.0 72.6 72.6 72.6 72.6	92.2 92.1 92.1 92.2 92.1 92.2	74.9 75.4 76.5 77.2 76.9 77.2	78.2 78.1 78.1 79.1 79.2 79.2 79.2

N.B. - Rental indexes are calculated in May and October only. Clothing indexes are calculated for March, June, September and December as are certain sub-indexes in the Miscellaneous group. Difficulties in obtaining these data promptly, cause revisions to be often and the months late.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOODS IN CANADA

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and	: Beef	: Beef	: Veal	: Mutton	? Pork	: Pork	: Break-	Lard		Grade"B"	: Milk	: Butter	: Butter :	Cheese
Month	: Sirloin	: Cheak	: Roast	: Roast	: Fresh	: Salt	· Fast	Pure	o 11 A11 .	and	0	: Dairy	: Creamery :	
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1934														
January	68.0	66.0	C3.5	63.7	55.0	66.3	50.0	55.1	87.0	76.4	82.5	60.2	63.5	61.9
February	71.8	71.1	65.1	67.4	63.2	65.6	57.4	55.1	75.4	71.3	83.3	63.5	66.4	63.2
March	72.8	74.8	68,2	70.1	70.2	67.4	66.4	56.3	86.5	86.9	82.5	69.9	72.7	63.8
April	72.8	75.5	67.2	69.1	68.2	67.0	67.1	55.1	57.9	57.3	83.3	72.3	73.6	64.2
May	74.8	76.1	63.5	74.2	64.9	64.2	66.4	53.5	47.6	46.5	83.3	60.5	62.3	63.2
June	75.5	77.4	62.0	72.5	66.2	65.6	67.4	52.7	47.6	46.7	82.5	54.8	56.6	62,6
July	76.5	76,7	62,0	70.1	69.2	67.4	72.0	51.4	53.0	53.0	82.5	54.3	56.2	62.9
August	76.2	74.2	61.5	70.1	71.9	69.2	76.9	51.8	57.5	56.8	82.5	51.4	53.9	62.6
September	74.5	71.7	62.0	63.8	71.5	70.3	81.3	53.9	58.8	59.3	83.3	51.9	53.5	62.6
October	71.4	69.8	60.9	61.7	68.5	70.3	83.8	59.2	69.7	68.3	84.2	53.8	55.0	62.3
November	68.7	66.7	60.4	62.8	66.2	69.5	79.9	59.6	86.3	79.6	88.3	53.6	54.6	61.6
December	65.6	64.8	60.4	63.1	63.2	68.5	75.7	59.6	88.5	78.4	87.5	54.8	56.2	61.0
1935														
January	68.0	67.9	63.0	66.4	64.2	68.1	74.8	59.6	79.3	73.6	86.7	54.8	57.0	61.0
February	71.1	70.4	67.2	69.5	65.9	69.5	73.8	60.8	70.3	67.8	86.7	60.0	62.6	61.9 :
March	72.1	73.0	67.2	70.1	66.2	68.8	72.9	61.6	67.1	65.1	87.5	62.7	66.2	62.6
April	76.5	79.2	66.1	72.1	66.2	69.5	72.2	62.0	51.9	51.0	87.5	60.7	62.9	62.9
May	80.6	84.3	65.6	72.5	67.5	70.3	70.1	62.0	47.0	46.7	87.5	61.5	64.0	63.5
June	84.4	88,1	66.1	72.1	70.5	70.6	69.7	62.4	48.3	47.5	87.5	57.5	58.8	62.9
July	85.4	88.1	66.7	71.8	74.2	72.4	69.7	63.3	52.8	53.0	85.8	52.8	55.5	62.6
August	84.4	83.0	66.1	70.8	74.8	72.0	70.6	64.9	59.2	59.5	85.8	52.6	55.9	61.9
September	82.7	80.5	67.2	70.1	76.5	73.5	73.1	70.2	66.7	66.3	86.7	54.1	56.8	61.6
October	79.6	79.9	69.8	68.1	75.2	73.5	73.6	73.9	76.5	75.6	88.3	58.0	60.6	62.6
November	76.5	77.4	69.8	66,8	72.5	73.1	72.2	74.7	88.7	83.9	88.3	61.5	64.0	64.5
December	75.9	76.1	69.8	67.8	68,9	73.1	69.2	74.7	92.7	87.2	88.3	65.4	67.8	64.5
1936														
January	77.6	79.2	73.4	72.5	69.9	72.8	67.8	73.1	88.7	85.2	89.2	66.4	68.5	64.8
February	78.6	81.1	76.6	73.8	70.5	72.4	67.4	70.2	72.2	72.4	89.2	65.2	67.3	64.5
March	79.6	81.1	79.2	74.8	69.9	72.0	67.1	67.8	81.4	79.4	89.2	63.2	64.2	64.8
April	77.9	79.2	71.9	74.8	69.5	71.3	66.4	65.3	60.0	58.3	89.2	61.0	61.7	64.8
May	78.6	81.1	71.4	80.2	70.2	72.0	66.7	64.9	50.6	50.0	89.2	58.3	60.0	64.2
June	78.2	79.9	68.8	81.2	70.2	71.3	66.9	63.7	52.1	51.5	89.2	54.3	56.4	63.8
July	78.9	78.6	69.3	77.2	72.5	72.0	68.3	62.4	58.1	58.8	86.7	55.1	58.6	65.1
August	78.6	79.2	68.2	76.8	74.2	72.8	69.4	62.9	64.3	64.3	86.7	59.0	62.6	66.0
September	79.3	77.4	69.3	75.5	74.2	72.4	71.3	63.7	71.6	71.6	87.5	62.7	66.2	68.6
October	77.9	76.1	69.8	70.8	71.9	72.8	70.8	64.1	75.9	74.4	90.0	63.7	65.3	70.4
November	76.9	75.5	69.8	69.5	69.9	71.3		64.5	93.8	86.2				
December	74.8	74.2	69.2	68,5	67.5	69,9	69.4 67.4	64.9	97.4	88.4	90.0	62.7 64.2	63.5 65.8	70.8 70.4

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NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOOD IN CANADA-Contid. · Weighted Year · Rolled º Apples Sugar Sugar Food and Bread · Flour Oats Rice Beans · Evapor - · Prunes · Granu - · Yellow Coffee · Potatoes · Vinegar Tea Index Month · ated · lated (46 Items) 1934 January 75.7 58.5 86.2 74.3 55.7 77.4 67.7 78.3 102.6 104.0 63.4 64.7 43.8 94.8 February 75.7 58.5 86.2 74.3 55.7 76.9 79.6 102.6 102.7 66.1 64.5 46.6 69.4 94.8 March 75.7 58.5 86.2 75.2 57.0 74.9 80,9 102.6 102.7 68.2 63.6 52.4 94.8 72.9 April 75.7 58.5 74.3 86.2 57.0 76.9 80.9 102.6 102.7 69.2 64.4 53.4 94.8 71.0 May 75.7 58.5 84.5 74.3 57.0 75.4 80.9 69.2 93.5 68.6 101.2 102.7 63.4 51.4 June 74.9 86.2 74.3 60.4 58.2 .76.4 80.9 89.7 90.7 70.9 63.2 48.2 93.5 67.6 July 86.2 75.7 62.3 73.4 58.2 73.9 80.9 71.1 63.9 45.8 93.5 68.4 87.2 88.0 August 75.7 62.3 87.9 73.4 59.5 75.9 82.2 85.9 88.0 72.5 63.4 51.0 93.5 69.3 September 78.4 64.2 87.9 74.3 58.2 77.4 82.2 84.6 86.7 73.4 63.6 40.5 93.5 68.8 October 78.4 64.2 87.9 74.3 59.5 75.9 82.2 84.6 86.4 74.1 63.4 36.9 93.5 69.4 69.9 November 77.0 64.2 89.7 72.5 62.0 73.6 62.3 33.1 93.5 74.9 81.5 83.3 84.0 December 78.4 64.2 89.7 73.4 62.0 75.4 80.2 83.3 74.2 61.9 31.7 93.5 69.3 84.0 1935 92.2 77.0 63.3 62.1 32.5 68.8 January 62.3 89.7 72.5 75.4 79.6 82.1 84.0 73.8 69.2 1 77.0 62.3 89.7 72.5 64.6 75.9 79.6 83.3 62.4 32.7 92.2 February 84.0 73.1 69.5 년 92.2 March 77.0 62.3 89.7 73.4 64.6 74.9 79.6 82.1 84.0 72.9 62.3 33.8 68.6 92.2 April 77.0 72.2 61.6 33.5 62,3 89.7 71.6 65.8 76.9 78.3 82.1 84.0 32.9 92.2 68.7 May 75.7 64.2 89.7 71.6 65,8 78.4 78.3 82.1 84.0 72.8 60.9 93.5 69.3 June 77.0 64.2 91.4 72.5 79.9 79.0 83.3 72.5 61.4 33.1 67.1 84.0 69.3 July 77.0 72.2 60.6 32.3 93.5 62.3 89.7 71,6 68,4 80.4 78.3 82.1 84.0 August 77.0 62.3 89.7 71.6 71.8 61.3 54.6 92.2 71.3 67.1 80.9 78.3 82.1 84.0 70.9 September 75.7 60.4 89.7 72.5 65.8 78.9 77.1 82.1 84.0 73.1 60.6 40.5 90.9 October 77.0 72.4 62.3 91,4 72.5 67.1 77.4 76.4 80.8 81.3 72.2 60.6 43.8 89.6 November 77.0 66.0 89.7 71.6 67.1 77.4 73.9 79.5 81.3 72.9 59.8 43.7 89.6 73.2 December 78,4 64.2 89.7 72.5 78.9 72.0 79.5 72.4 46.8 89.6 73.7 68.4 81.3 60.0 1936 78.4 64.2 73.9 January 89,7 71.6 68.4 77.4 72.6 79.5 72.8 59.8 48.0 90.9 81.3 72.9 February 78.4 64.2 89.7 72.5 68.4 80.4 71.3 79.5 81.3 72.4 59.3 50.4 89.6 March 78.4 64.2 87.9 71.6 79.4 69.4 79.5 81.3 72.4 59.2 52.0 90.9 73.4 68.4 April 78.4 64.2 71.0 87.9 71.6 63.3 79.4 70.1 78.2 80.0 72.2 58.3 51.6 89.6 May 79.7 64.2 89.7 72.5 60.5 90.9 71.3 63.3 77.9 68.8 78,2 80.0 73.1 58.5 64.2 June 79.7 87.9 72.5 60.8 79.4 69.4 78.2 80.0 72.5 58.7 64.1 89.6 71.3 July 79.7 62.3 87.9 72,5 74.8 90.9 72.6 62.0 81.4 68.8 78.2 80.0 72.4 58.2 August 81.1 66,0 84.9 89.6 74.7 89.7 72.5 64.6 78.9 70.7 72.7 57.8 78.2 80.0 September 82.4 69.8 73.0 89.6 91.4 73.4 72.0 72.4 57.8 75.1 72.2 82.4 78.2 80.0 October 82.4 71.7 93,1 72.5 78.5 82.9 71.3 78.2 80.0 72.7 58.0 60.7 88.3 74.4 56.7 89.6 November 82.4 73,6 93.1 72.5 83.9 72.0 78.2 80.0 72.5 58.0 75.0 81.0 72.0 72.5 57.8 58.3 88.3 75.3 December 83.8 73.6 93.1 73.4 79.9 78.2 80.0 84.8

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INVESTORS! INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

Although December common stock prices staged a steady recovery from their sharp November set-back, index averages for several important industrial groups were less than for the preceding month, depressing the general and industrial indexes below November levels. Utilities, banks, and milling, iron and steel, foods, pulp and paper and beverages among the industrials, however, showed gains over November. The general index for 121 issues dropped from 131.8 in November to 129.2 in December. Eighty-nino Industrials recorded a substantial loss of 7.1 points although, as noted above, five of the eight sub-groups were higher. Appreciable losses for International Petroleum, Imperial Oil, Dominion Glass, International Nickel, National Sewer Pipe "A" and Moore were mainly responsible for the decline in the Industrial index from 219.9 for November to 212.8 for December. Among stocks in this group to advance noticeably during the month were National Steel Car, Canadian Bronze, Steel of Canada, Lake of the Woods, B.C. Packers, Kelvinator and Consolidated Smelters. Twenty-three Utilities were generally firmer and the index rose fractionally from 62.4 for November to 62.8 for the following month. Prices of stocks included in Utilities fluctuated narrowly, with the exception of Bell Telephone which gained \$5.30. Nine banks moved higher for the fifth month in succession, and the index reached 87.7, the maximum since January 1932.

PREFERRED STOCKS

The index number for twenty-five preferred stocks was 93.9 in December as compared with 91.1 in November. Canada Cement rose from 100.4 to 101.0, Canadian Car and Foundry from 27.1 to 28.7, Canadian Hydro-Electric from 61.6 to 72.4, Dominion Coal from 19.9 to 21.2, Simpson's from 97.9 to 99.0, St.Lawrence Corporation "A" from 20.6 to 24.3. Steel of Canada from 62.9 to 72.7, and Sherwin-Williams from 127.5 to 130.5. Canadian Celenese fell from 127.3 to 126.2. Canadian Oil from 126.5 to 122.4, Lake of the Woods from 157.8 to 150.0, McColl Frontenac from 101.9 to 99.0 and National Breweries from 44.2 to 43.2.

INDEX NUMBERS OF 25 PREFERRED STOCKS (1926-1936) (1926-100)

	******	100,4	3.01.4	100.9	99.6	98.3	98.7	99.1	99.4	100.0	100.2	101.0	101.4
	******											110.8	
1928	******	111.5	110.9	109.9	11104	111.7	111.2	110.3	107.5	107.6	106,2	104.0	107.9
1929	4	107.4	108,1	106.8	104.3	104,3	104.8	104.8	105.6	105.1	102.9	99.8	100.4
	******	97.9	98.8	100.0	103.4	10.6	99.5	97.4	97.1	96.2	83.4	81.9	82.5
		83.2	83.4	84,2	78.8	73.8	72,6	71.8	69.1	64.2	63.9	81.9	63.0
	******	57,2	58.8	58.0	5504	48,4	45.2	49.5	52.9	53.4	52.9	52.2	50.2
1933	******	49.6	49.6	47.3	47.2	54.6	58.5	61.9	61.7	61.0	59.7	59.1	60.2
		64.1	66.5	67.3	68.5	68.7	68.4	68.1	67.3	67.4	69.5	70.6	71.4
1935	******	73.5	73.8	71.2	69.2	68.4	68.4	69.6	70.9	69.2	69.5	72.5	73.8
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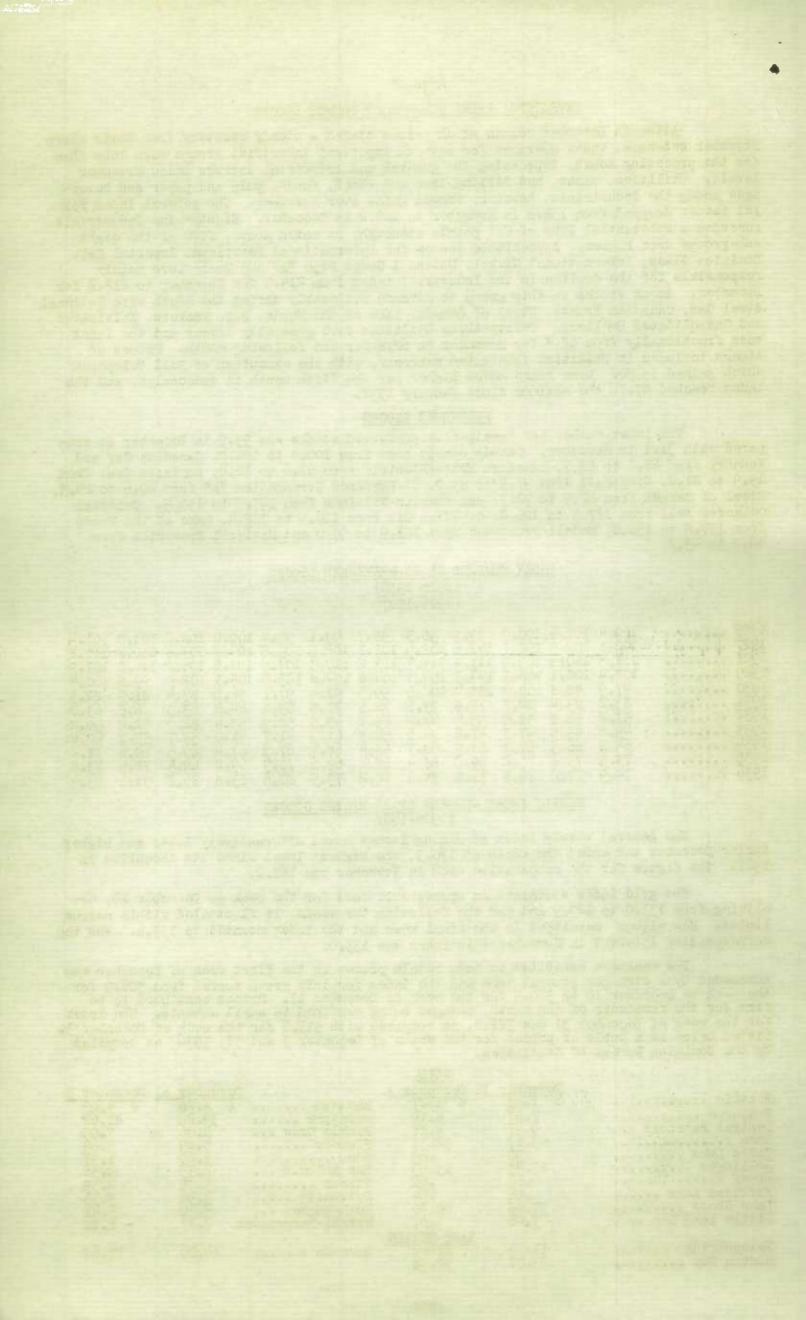
WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS OF 23 MINING STOCKS (1926=100)

The general weekly index of mining issues moved alternatively lower and higher during December and ended the month at 170.3, the highest level since its inception in 1927. The figure for the comparative week in November was 168.2.

The gold index sustained an appreciable loss for the week of December 10, declining from 133.0 to 129.9 and for the following two weeks, it fluctuated within narrow limits. New vigour developed in the final week and the index mounted to 133.6. For the corresponding interval in November this index was 133.0.

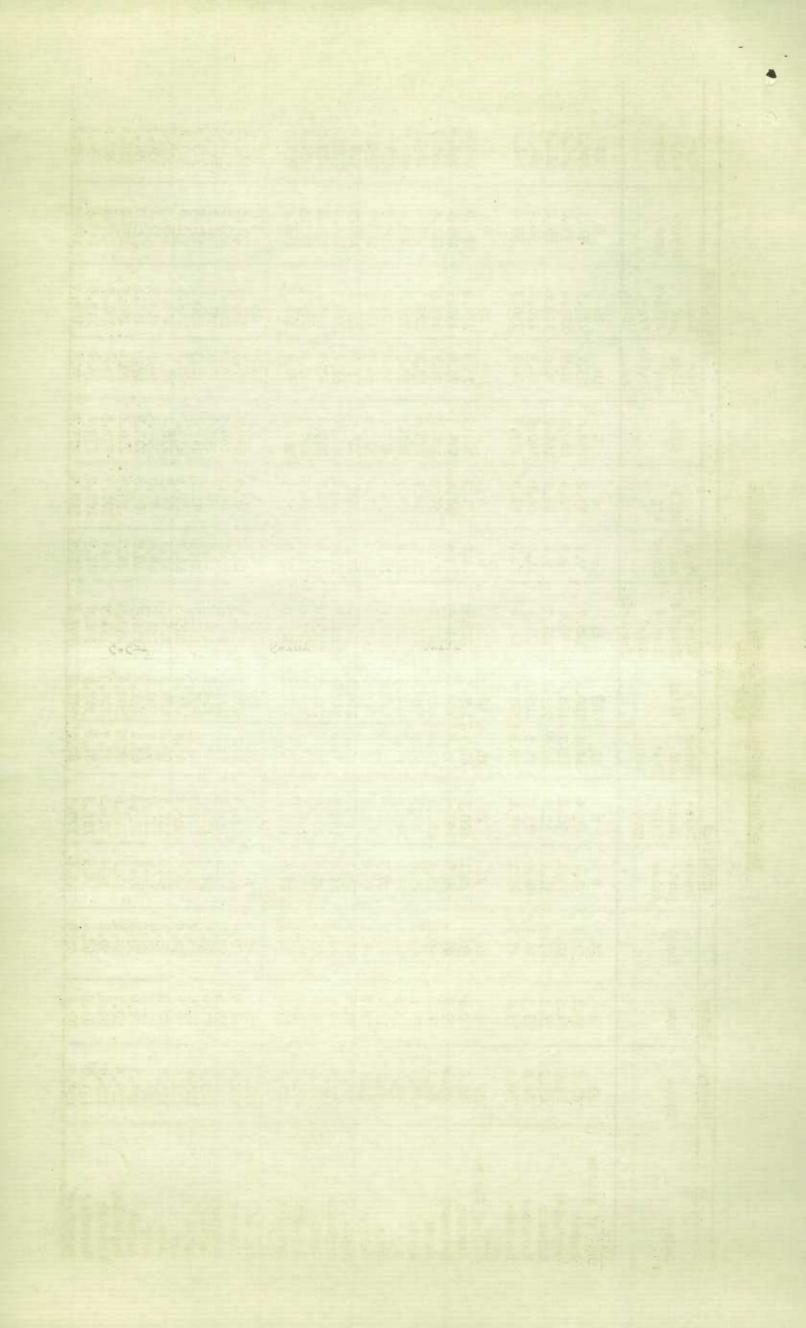
The weakness exhibited in base metals prices in the first week of December was succeeded by a stronger general tone and the index for this group soared from 306.9 for the week of December 10 to 320.5 for the week of December 17. Prices continued to be firm for the remainder of the month, changes being confined to small amounts. The index for the week of December 31 was 322.1, as compared with 313.6 for the week of December 3. Listed below is a table of prices for the weeks of December 3 and 31, 1936, as compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

		GOLD			
	December 31	December 3		December 31	December 3
Beattie	\$ 1.33	\$ 1027	Macassa	\$ 8.20	\$.7.03
Bralorne	7.97	8.14	McIntyre	39.22	41.62
Central Patricia	4.47	4.18	Pickle Crow	8.06	7.05
Dome	49,67	52°31 -°69	Pioneer	5.29 1.20	5.69
God's Lake	- 90	69	Reno	1.50	7.56
Hollinger	13.43	13.45	San Antonio	2.35	70
Howey	.60	.62	Siscoo	5.35 3.56	4.39 3.33 5.41 8.10
Kirkland Lake	. 86 57 68	60.70	Sylvanite	5670	2.00
Lake Shore	57.68 7.46	60.70	Teck-Hughes	5.30 s 7.77	2 10
Little Long Lac			Wright-Hargreave	D 1011	0.10
70 7 . 2		BASE METALS	7 7.	74.06	71.62
Falconbridge	11.79	11.046	Noranda	1-1-00	17.05
Hudson Bay	33.07	32.58			



INVESTORS' MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COLMON STOCKS 1926 = 100

	General	Banks		UTILIT	TES								DUSTRIALS	3		
Date	Total	Total	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Trac- tion	Total	Iron & Steel & Iron & Steel Products	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- tiles and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Pro- ducts	Bever- ages	dis- cell- aneous	
No. of Stocks August September October November December	121 83.8 83.8 85.2 86.0 86.2	8 73.1 74.9 76.1 78.3 79.0	25 51.2 50.1 49.0 46.5 47.5	2 33.4 33.1 31.1 28.6 29.1	2 89.4 90.6 92.7 93.7 97.6	21 64.4 61.7 60.8 57.5 58.5	88 120.1 118.8 122.0 125.3 125.6	17 100.7 98.8 107.7 111.3 119.8	6 9.9 9.6 9.8 11.0 11.6	73.2 72.6 68.4 66.0 71.0	5 158.0 160.2 169.0 180.8 177.8	10 73.1 71.9 74.4 74.3 74.3	18 125.5 123.4 126.6 128.1 130.3	8 91.3 93.8 89.2 98.4 93.6	20 174.7 168.4 168.8 164.6 166.2	
No. of Stocks January February March April May June July August September October November December	121 88.6 87.8 84.4 86.4 93.6 93.8 92.4 94.7 93.6 96.1 105.8 107.4	9 80.1 79.9 76.8 75.0 73.1 72.0 71.7 70.6 65.9 68.4 73.0 75.1	24 50.4 49.4 45.1 43.8 44.4 45.0 44.7 47.7 46.3 45.6 50.9 50.1	2 32.1 30.8 25.3 25.8 27.0 26.5 25.0 26.7 25.7 23.4 27.9 28.6	2 100.3 102.4 100.1 94.8 95.5 97.6 98.6 99.9 100.3 100.0 105.1	20 61.3 59.8 56.4 53.9 53.8 55.3 56.0 60.8 58.6 66.1 62.7	88 129.7 128.8 125.6 130.8 144.4 145.2 143.8 146.1 147.1 152.9 170.3 178.2	15 129.4 126.4 117.0 119.4 121.9 118.6 122.2 122.1 118.7 123.0 127.8 125.0	6 14.0 13.4 11.6 11.1 10.8 10.5 10.6 12.0 12.4 1.2.6 14.6 15.9	4 71.5 67.4 56.0 56.9 59.9 58.4 57.4 59.3 61.2 60.9 66.9 76.7	5 181.5 179.7 176.0 178.6 211.7 217.9 210.6 210.0 203.6 215.1 228.7 214.8	10 75.8 75.6 74.1 73.1 70.3 67.2 66.7 65.5 61.8 63.5 69.0 70.4	19 134.2 131.3 126.5 125.1 127.8 127.0 128.5 130.1 128.7 134.4 145.7 148.5	8 106.8 109.1 101.6 99.6 102.4 104.7 116.7 122.9 126.5 133.2 157.3 161.0	21 168.6 168.6 168.7 135.1 200.0 198.1 195.4 202.0 209.6 217.5 254.4 294.5	; 72
No. of Stocks January February March April May June July August September October November December	121 112.9 120.7 117.4 115.9 112.8 113.8 114.3 114.7 119.5 126.9 131.8	9 78.6 82.6 77.5 77.7 77.8 77.0 79.0 79.6 84.5 87.7	23 52,4 57,5 53,2 53,2 53,3 53,8 54,8 59,8 62,4 62,8	2 29.8 35.0 33.38 30.5 31.2 31.9 29.7 30.2 33.4 34.6	2 111.4 112.5 110.4 109.7 109.5 112.5 111.7 113.2 114.0 114.6 116.5 120.4	19 66.0 71.1 69.7 67.1 65.9 66.9 67.1 70.0 77.7 81.8 82.1	89 187.7 200.0 194.8 194.2 187.9 189.3 190.1 191.4 200.6 212.3 219.9 212.8	15 130.3 140.5 136.5 131.7 125.1 125.3 126.0 128.5 137.9 151.9 166.9 169.8	6 18.6 20.2 18.5 17.5 16.7 17.5 18.6 18.0 20.3 24.4 27.5 29.7	5 80.4 84.3 88.7 91.0 87.3 86.5 87.0 89.8 93.9 101.9 107.0	5 231.0 246.5 237.3 244.5 234.0 228.1 224.3 218.9 220.6 232.5 233.4 215.4	11 75.5 74.0 73.1 71.3 68.1 67.4 66.8 68.0 70.6 73.4 74.4	18 153.6 158.7 153.0 150.7 145.7 149.2 153.9 157.1 162.5 171.7 179.6 182.3	9 151.7 151.7 140.1 131.7 131.4 129.3 131.6 135.7 138.2 135.6 143.6	20 307.1 331.2 329.7 319.0 313.1 330.5 338.7 351.3 384.4 409.5 432.3 428.2	



INDEX NUMBERS OF TWENTY-FOUR MINING STOCKS (1926,2100)

Number of Stocks	Gold	Base Metals	Total Index
1937	21	3	24
x1928 - High Low	137.2 75.4	322°2 102°2	138.6
x <u>1929</u> - High Low	89.7 52.7	318.0 157.3	127.9
x1930 - High Low	66.7 53.3	203 . 1 56.4	88.3 56.7
x <u>1931</u> - High Low	79°5 54°4	108 ₃ 3 49 ₉ 9	85°14 54°8
1932 - High Low	63°1 48°2	82 ₀ 3 42 ₀ 5	64.8 46.8
x <u>1933</u> = High Low	111.9	144.1 68.2	116.7
x <u>1934</u> - High Low	140.1	167.6 125.0	143.3
x1935 - High Low	131.2	211.7	136.7
1.936 - High Low	136.2	322.1 205.5	170.3
1935 November			135.4
	111.8	181.9	125.5
December	116.9	201.7	133.6
936 anuary	124.8	214.8	142,4
ebruary	130.2	230.4	149.8
arch	122.7	232.2	144.2
pril	12208	241.1	145.8
ay	128.9	239.2	150.3
une	13404	246.0	156.1
uly	134,4	254.1	157.6
ugust	132.6	264.0	158.1
eptember	131.2	267.1	157.6
ctober	126,4	289.4	158.2
ovember	131.8	312.5	167.0
ecember	133.03	317.8	167.7
eekly Index Numbers			
eek ending January 19th	17.8.9	205.5	155,4
eek ending December 10th	129.9	306.9	164.4
" " 17th	131.4	320•5	168.3
" " 24th " " 31st	130.4 133.6	321.8 322.1	167.7 170.3
eek ending January 7th Weekly figures.	135.8	322.3	172.1

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WEEKLY AVERAGE PRICES OF 23 MINING STOCKS

OCTOBER - DECEMBER, 1936.

		(CTOB	ER	,		NOVE	MBER		DECEMBER					
	lst	8th	15th	22nd	29th	5th	19th	19 th	26th	3rd	10th	17th	24th	31st	
GOLD GROUP	5. 7.,	;;÷	\$	A	\$	\$	\$	\$	25 10	÷	3	\$	\$	3	
Beattie	1.34	1.30	1.28	1.30	1.31	1.34	1.35	1.34	1.32	1.27	1.25	1.23	1.23	1.33	
Bralorne	8.44	8.70	8.85	8.53	8.86	8.75	8.70	8.30	8.17	8.14	7.93	7.69	7.89	7.97	
Central Patricia	4.07	4.00	3.84	3.79	3.77	3.90	4.22	4.17	3.98	4.18	4.09	4.35	4.32	4.47	
Dome	56.13	54.96	53.02	53.05	63.76	53.79	55.94	54.99	53.04	52.31	50.00	50.85	49.29	49.67	
God's Lake	.92	.87	.80	.76	.75	.80	.78	.74	.70	.69	.66	.87	.90	.90	
Hollinger	13.87	13.58	13.54	13.67	13.47	13.60	13.78	13.95	13.51	13.45	13.72	13.64	13.35	13.43	
Howey	.75	.72	.69	.69	.67	.68	.70	.68	.64	.62	.61	.60	.58	.60	
Kirkland Lake	.56	.55	.54	.60	.56	.59	.64	.66	.67	.64	.60	.64	.69	.86	
Lake Shore	55.88	55.81	55.47	55.36	55.07	55.58	57.87	61.54	61.41	60.70	57.91	59.44	58.23	57.68	
Little Long Lac	6.11	6.04	6.19	6.43	6.53	6.77	7.15	7.09	6.91	7.07	6,99	7.10	7.32	7.46	
Macassa	4.34	4.41	4.52	4.85	4.80	5.02	5.85	6.15	6.98	7.03	6.87	7.24	7.58	8.20	
McIntyre	40.85	39.21	39.10	39.70	40.24	40.84	43.02	43.55	41.51	41.62	40.14	39.98	39.14	39.22	
Pickle Crow	6.59	6.52	6.28	6.39	6.30	6.45	6.82	6.80	6.48	7.05	7.29	7.26	7.45	8.06	
Pioneer	7.66	7.78	7.44	7.15	7.13	5.93	6.81	6.32	5.86	5,69	5.44	5.31	5.08	5.29	
Reno	1.40	1.37	1.33	1.31	1.27	1.27	1.36	1.39	1.38	1.37	1.29	1.22	1.21	1.20	
San Antonio	1.75	1.83	1.85	1.81	2.21	2,26	2.16	2.04	2.40	2.56	2.35	2.32	2.31	2.35	
Siscoe	4.55	4.42	4.38	4.31	4.30	4.46	4.53	4.51	4.53	4.39	4.21	4.43	4,68	5.35	
Sylvanite	3.08	3.08	2.97	2.99	2.99	3.08	3.48	3.39	3.33	3.33	3.38	3.42	3.42	3.56	
Teck-Hughes	5.86	5.86	5.71	5,57	5.09	5.15	5.11	5.06	5.12	5.41	5.31	5.22	5.23	5.30	
Wright-Hargreaves	7.89	7.74	7.71	7.63	7.72	7.72	7.75	7.89	8.13	8.10	7.95	7.79	7.56	7.77	
BASE METALS GROUP															
Falconbridge	9.79	10.16	10.17	10.91	11.30	12.02	12.49	12.29	11.51	11.46	11.32	11.54	11.74	11.79	
Hudson Bay	27.19	29.27	29.47	29.86	29.09	29.85	30.66	30.26	31.54	32.58	31.58	33.62	33.59	33.07	
Noranda	64.94	64.96	65.08	68.50	68.49	70.37	72.83	73.66	73.05	71.62	70.30	73.12	73.40	74.06	

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INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINION OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND PRICES AND YIELDS, 1933-1936.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of long-term bond prices, on the base 1926-100, rose from 117.6 for November to 118.2 for December. In the early days of the month the constitutional crisis in Great Britain was reflected in a dull market with slightly easier prices, but a keener demand developed when the uncertainty regarding the outcome was finally removed. The latter half of the month was broken by holidays and remained generally quiet but firm with nothing of an outstanding nature reported.

The index for Dominion of Canada long-term bond yields declined from 65.1 to 64.1. The average yield of the issues used in this index was 3.03 for December 31 as compared with 3.07 for November 30.

Popular Ontario issues sold on a 3.34 basis and the index dropped from 71.8 to 69.7.

ANNUAL SUMMARY

Dominion of Camada long-term maturities moved to all time high levels in the first three quarters of 1936, on markets which were exceptionally steady. The gradual progress of the Bureau's Dominion long-term price index from 113.2 to 119.4 during this period was unbroken, save for a few short fractional reactions. The most serious of these came in April when the Province of Alberta defaulted on the principal of a small maturity issue and reduced interest payments on it from 6 p.c. to 3 p.c. Within the month, however, prices had fully recovered small losses occurring at that time. The strength of the market was tested at irregular intervals by Dominion financing which was mostly concerned with refunding. A good reception to the \$48,000,000 refunding issue floated in New York in January stimulated the home market. Oversubscription of a \$20,000,000 general purpose domestic loan and a successful refunding operation in excess of \$115,000,000 in June furnished further evidence of basic strength. The same favourable reception greeted the \$100,000,000 issue on September 10, of which \$73,000,000 was for refunding.

The break-up of the European gold bloc in the final week of September and the subsequent currency devaluations by France, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Italy, and Czechoslovakia were followed by moderate price declines which carried the Dominion index down from 119.4 at the middle of September to 116.6 for the final week of October. Gradual recovery in the last two months brought it back to 118.4 at the close of the year.

MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF DOMINICH OF CANADA LONG-TERM BOND PRICES AND YIELDS, 1933-1936.

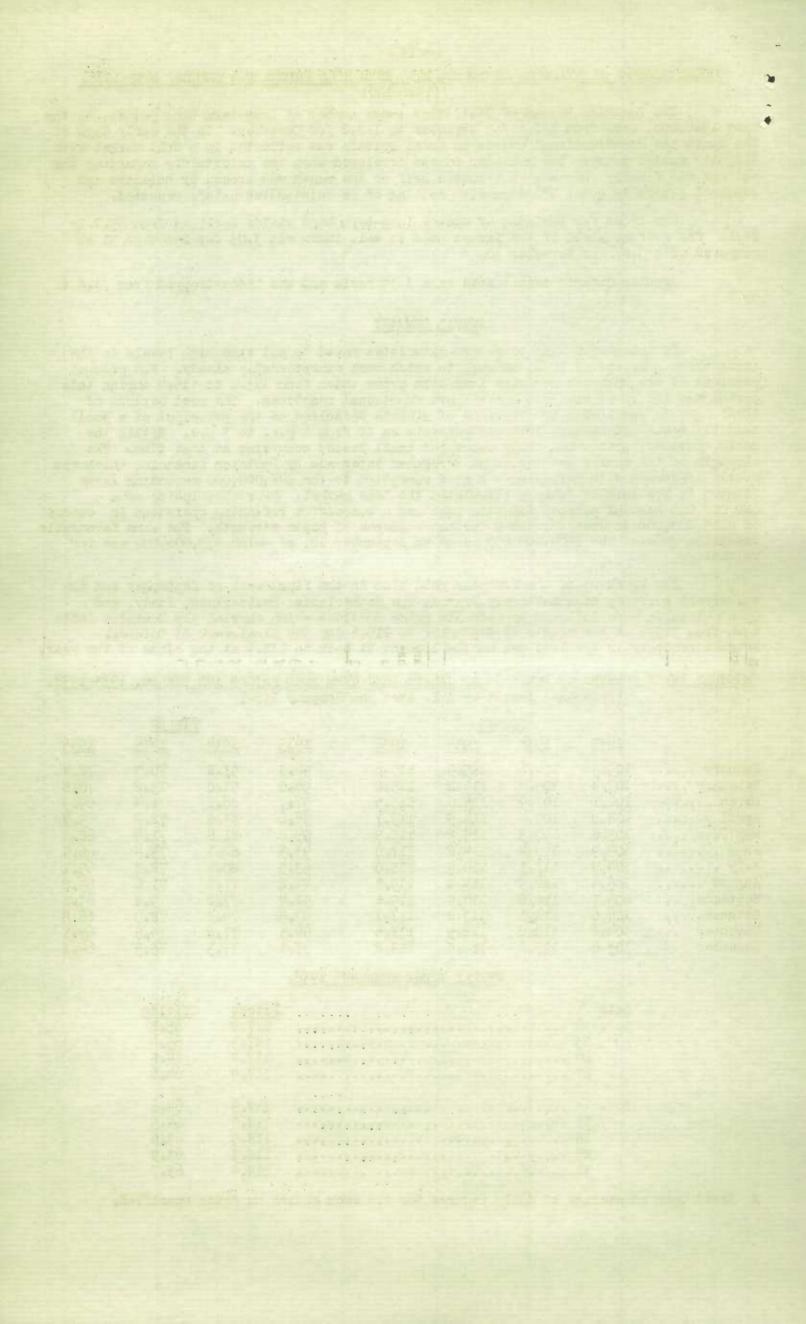
(From data issued by A.E. Ames and Company Ltd.)

		PRI	CES		YIELDS						
	1933	1934	1935	1936	1933	1934	1935	1936			
January February March April June July August September October	103.3 103.4 102.1 102.9 103.8 104.9 104.8 105.6 105.7	104.6 105.4 107.9 109.4 110.3 110.4 111.1 112.3 112.6 111.1	115.9 114.2 115.0 114.5 115.2 114.2 114.5 114.8 110.9	113.6 115.0 115.5 115.7 115.9 117.0 118.0 119.1 119.1	96.3 96.0 97.7 96.6 95.0 93.3 93.5 92.2 92.4	93.2 91.0 86.1 83.8 81.8 82.1 80.1 77.8 77.2 79.3	70.9 73.2 71.4 72.2 71.4 73.4 73.1 71.6 79.8 78.9	72.4 70.8 69.9 69.5 68.8 66.9 65.1 63.2 63.1 66.2			
November December	104.2	112°5 112°5	112.5	117.6	94•3 95•1	77.2	74.5 75.5	65.1 64.1			

WEEKLY INDEX NUMBERS* 1936.

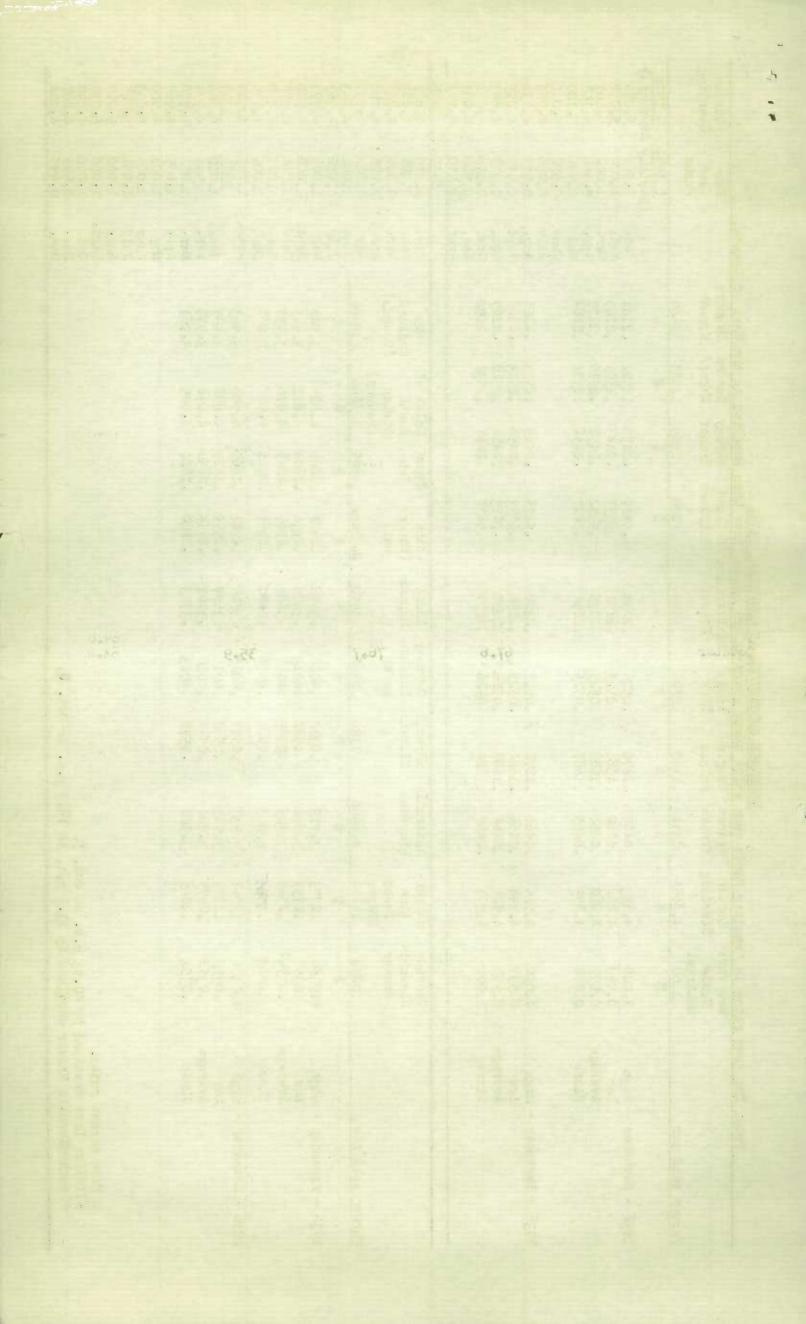
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x Based upon an average of daily figures for the week ending on dates specified.



EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS AT MONTREAL, 1936.

		rates in Ca New York	London		Belgium		Switzerland			ay Sweder	ne Bank of Denmark	- anada	New	London
		Funds	Sterling		Belgas	Lire	Francs	Guilder		*			York	Sterling
		Montreal	A 9///	0000	3200	250/			0/0		/ 0 -		Funds	
ormer gold par		1.00	4.8666	.0392	.1390	.0526	.1930	.4020	.268	2680	,2680		0 3034	2024
		\$	\$	\$	\$	₩.	Ÿ	\$	\$	2	\$		\$ 1934	\$ 1934 Averages)
1936 - November -	High	1.000	4.893	.0465	.1690 /	.0526	.2298	.5427	.245	8 2522	.2184	Jan.	1.005	5.070
./Jo Novombol	Low	0.998	4.868	.0462	.1686	.0525	.2292	•5421	.244		.2169	Feb.	1.008	5.078
	Average	0.999	4.882	.0464	.1688	.0525	.2295	•5392	.245		.2179	Mar.	1.002	5.107
	Close	0.998	4.893	.0465	.1687	.0525	.2294	.5427	.245		.2184	Apr.	0.998	5.148
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												June July	0.992	5.012 4.985
936 - December -	High	1.000	4.914	.0467	.1692 +	.0527	.2300	.5475	.246	9 .2533	.2194	Aug.	0.977	4.951
	Low		. 4.894	.0465		.0525	7 .2296	•5433	245		2185	Sept.	0.971	4.855
	Average	0.999	4.904	.0466	.1689	.0526	.2297	.5453	.246		.2189	Oct.	0.979	4.843
	Close	1.000	4.911	.0467	.1684	.0526	.2297	.5475	.246	7 .2532	.2192	Nov.	0.976	4.872
												Pac.	0.988	4.887
												Aver.	0.990	4,993
		Czecho-	xArgen-	Australi	a xBrazil	German	ny India	China	Japan 1	Jnion of	New	Jan.	0.999	1935 4.887
		Slovakia	tine	(Pounds)			*	(Shang-	_	South	Zealand	Feb.	1.001	A 000
		Kroner	Pesos			marks		hai)		Africa	(Pounds)	Mar.	1.101	4.825
			(Paper)							(Pounds)		Apr.	1.005	4.862
ormer gold par		.0296	.4244	4.8666	.1196	.2382	。3650	Dollars	.4985	4.8666	4.8666	May	1.001	4.935
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	- June July	1.001	4.943
936 - November -	High	*. 0354	.2773	3.915	.0587	.4024	.3695	.2972	.2861	4.887	3.946	Aug.	1.006	4.993
	Low	.0358	.2759	3.894	.0582	.4013	.3674	.2934	.2844	4.861	3.925	Sept.	1.008	4.970
	Average	.0354	.2765	3.905	.0585	.4017	.3686	.2949	.2849	4.876	3.937	Oct.	1.014	4.978
	Close	.035.3	. 2765	3.97.5	.0586	.4015	.3685	.2954	.2855	4.867	3.946	Nov.	1.011	4.978
				Un Wind	•0000	4 10 10				1.00	0.024	Dec.	1.009	4.976
936 - December -	High	+.0354	.3047	3.931	.0597	.4025	.3718	. 2982	.2860	4.908	3.963	Aver.	1.005	4.929
	Low	.0350	.2777	3.915	.0587	.4017	.3697	.2934	.2819	4.888	3.947	Jan.	1.000	4.966
	Average	.0352	.2975	3.924	.0594	.4020	.3707	.2955	.2850	4.898	3.955	Feb.	•999	4.994
	Close	.0351	.3045	3.928	.0596	.4023	•3713	.2960	.2820	4.905	3.961	Mur.	1.001	4.978
												Apr.	1.005	4.967
												May	1.002	4.980
												June	1.003	5.033
												July Aug.	1.001	5.027
x Free marke	t rates											Sept.	1.000	5.027 5.039
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MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCK PRICES, 1932-1936 x Issued by the Standard Statistics Company, Inc., New York. (1926-100)

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	Total 419 Stocks	Industrials 347 Stocks	Railroad 32 Stocks	Utilities 40 Stocks
1932				
October	51.4	49.2	29.0	82.6
November	47.9	45.9	25.8	78.0
December	47.1	44.5	25.4	78.9
1933				
January	49.1	46.2	27.6	81.8
February	44.9	42.5	26.7	73.1
March	43.3	41.5	25.5	68.3
April	46.5	47.4	26.2	63.2
May	61.5	63.7	36.5	77.8
June	72.8	75.1	42.8	93.9
July	79.8	82,8	51.3	97.4
August	74.4	77.9	48.7	87.2
September	75•5	81.0	48.2	81.5
October	69.5	75.5	40.3	75.0
November	68.8	76.2	38.4	70.
December	70.4	78.8	40.0	67
1934				
January	74.6	82.9	44.5	7
February	80.9	88.9	50.5	80.
March	77.2	85.1	47.5	76.2
April	79.6	88.3	49.3	76.3
May	71.8	79.6	43.3	69.7
June	73.1	81.0	43.9	71.6
July	71.4	79.7	41.2	69.2
August	67.5	76.3	35.3	64.5
September	67.4	76.2	35.4	64.0
October	67.6	76.7	35.9	63.2
November	68.3	78.4	34.8	60.8 58.8
December	69.6	80.6	35•9	20.00
1935				
January	70.1	81.9	35.0	57.6
February	68.0	80.1	32.3	55.1
March	64.6	76.2	28.4	53.4
April	67.5	78.9	29.4	59.1
Мау	73.1	85.7	30-9	63.7
June	75.5	87.4	32.4	69 . 8 73 . 3
July	78.8	91.2 95.0	33.8 35.8	80.6
August September	83.0 85.0	97.5	37-0	81.9
October	85.2	98.5	34.3	81.0
November	93•3	107.4	37.0 34.3 37.6	90.1
December	95•3	109.2	41.4	91.6
2026				
1936	700.0	27)1 =	117 0	07.0
January	100.0	114.5	43.8 49.1	97.0 102.8
February	106.1 108.7	120.9 124.6	49.2	102.8
March	108.9	125.3	48.9	101.5
April	101.0	116.2	45.0	94.7
May June	105.6	120,6	47.7	102.0
July	109.2	124.3	50.7	105.8
August	113.0	128.4	53.9	108.8
September	114.1	130.2	55.4	107.7
October	118.7	136.0	58.4	109.1
November	124.2	144.3	57.9	108.9
3rd week of December	123.9	144.0	54.8	110.9
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x Revised in May 1936.

