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The Dominion wireat of Statisifics Inder Tember meightea according to the commercial importance of the 236 comnodiuies rhich are incluatd ia its computation rose slighte ly in Abril, being 150.5 agempared titi 160.1 in Vawch. Thorgh the general movement turned slightly uprard, this was due to whe preiominating influence of certain commodities in one group only, vir.,.slains, flour and potatoes. There were more declines than increases, but many of the former mere slight and the total effect was not sufficient to offset the increases. One of the eicht main groups moved upward, eix mored downard and one was practically stationary. 34 price quotatiows were higher, 69 were lower and 133 were unchanged.

Vegetables and Thei Products (grains, fruits, etc.) rose from 176.5 to 188.4 , chiefly because of the higher levels for grains, 6 lour and milled products and potatoes. Animals and the ir Products declined from 145 . to 137.2, hieher prices for livestock and smoked meats being more tran offset by lower prices for fresh meats, butter, cheese, eggs and fish. Fibres, Iextiles and Textile Pocducts fell fiom 182. 5 to 175.9, cotton, cotton fabrics, silk, wol, jute and dessian all moving to lower levels. Iron and Its Products declined from 145.7 io 145.0 , owing to sightly lower levels fun basic pig iron and wire ramis. Non-Fezrous Metal.s and heir Producis foll fron 105.7 to 104.4 , copper, lead, silver, tin and spolter all registerine decines. Non-lietellic Minerals and Their Products, due main]. to a jeclins in the nrice of cement, fellerom 175.6 to 177.0. Mood and Wood Products were slimbly iomer, the inder being 156.9 as compared aith 157.3 ? ast month. Chemicels and Allied rroducts remine practiculiy staifonary.

The Index Humbev for Consmers: Goods (i.e., food, bevercges, and tobacco) rose from 164.6 to 164 . $O$, declines in figh. fresh meats, butter, cheese and eggs being more than offset by higher prices for mour, potatoes, smoked meats, tea end foreign fruits.

Producers Goode (i.t., materials used in manafaciure) rose from 149.0 to 150.2 . Furs, leather goods, materials foir the textile and clothing, tetal working and chmolical industries declined, kut ali declenes were more tian offeet bu the gains in grains, animals for the meat packing industry and miscellaneous producers' materials.

Ram and Partly Monvfactured Coods rose from 159.6 to 163.6 , higher levels for grains, potatoes, livestock, foreign fruits, and tea more than counterbalancing lower levels for hides, fresh msat, eges, textiles, mibber and non-ferious metals.

Fully or Chiefiy Manufactured Cooce fell from 157.7 to $15+.5$ increases for flour and smoked meats being more than ofiset by decreases for dafry products, I inceed oil, cotton fatiics, hessian, hails and hon-ferrous meta? products.

Dofiestic Farm Producte rose from 163.2 to 172.9 . An mal farm protucts declined from 129.3 to 124.1 , but the rise in Vagetable farm products from 1.82 .9 to 201.4 , due to grain and potato advances, was suffisient io raise the index number of the tro groups combined.

## RESTME OF IMPORTAITT PRICE CHANGES: Grain orices moved to higher levels during

 April. The average for iTo, I Manitoba Northern cach whee. Fort Wilism and Port Arthur basis was $\$ 1.562 / 3$ as comparod with $\$ 1.481 / 3$ in Warch. The low rice for the month Was $\$ 1.50 \frac{1}{4}$ on the first and the high $\$ . .621 / 8$ on the 17 th. Sume improvement in export demand, reports of damage to Argentine wheat and cf a more limited exportable surpius than was expected induced a oullich flare up shortly after the middle of the month, but this failed to hold, the labour situation in gritain, no doubt, being partly reaponsible for the prevailing dullness. Coarse grains for the most tart, followed the trond of $58 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $6 \frac{3}{2} \phi$. The average for American Yellow Corn No. S remained practically the same as last month at $83 \frac{3}{4} \phi$. Tlaxneed No. I N.T.C. Iose from $\$ 1.91 \frac{3}{4} 50 \$ 1.96$ per bushel. Flour moved in sympethy with wheet. The average for lst patent at Toronto rose from $\$ 8.63$ to $\$ 8.81$ per $2-98$ 's jute begs. Shorts rose frou $\$ 31.25$ to $\$ 32.85$ wer ton it Toronto. Lemons mere firm under active demand, risine from $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4100-\$ 4.50$. oranges were also figher, due it is said to rains in Califowia. The price of 96 's, 100's, 126 's rose from $\$ 5.50-\$ 5.75$ so $\$ 5.75-\$ 6.75$. The tea market continued very
firm, the orice of Pekne, Ceylon and India tea advancing from $56 \phi$ to $57 \phi$ per 16 . Black pepper declinet from $38 \phi$ to $35 \neq$ por 16 . Potatnes advanced to new hifh levels, the nrevtiont shortage beine argravated by the bad condition of the roads mifch interfercd with marketing. The monthly average for Quebec grades at Montreal rose from $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 3.94$ per bag. Ontario potatoes at Toronto rose from $\$ 3.20$ to $\$ 4.00$ - $\$ 4.23$ ser bag. At Winnipeg pitatoes rere quoted at $\$ 1.72$ per bushel as compared with $\$ 1.34 \frac{1}{2}$ in March. New Brunswick potatoes at St. John advanced from $\$ 6.75$ to $\$ 8.10$ per barrel.

The downward morement in rubber continued the price of Ceyion ribbed smoked sheets declining from $58 \mathrm{l} / 3 \phi$ to $51 \phi$ per lb . and that of upriver fine Para from $51 \frac{3}{4}$ to $46 \phi$. Turpentine was firmer oming to increased spring business and the possiblity of a shortagd before the new crop is marketed. The prico advanced from $\$ 1.47$ to $\$ 1.53$ per Imperial gallon. Linseed oil again declined slightly, being $97 \%$ as compared with $\$ 1.01$ last month.

Light to moderate receipts together with improved demand especially towards the end of the month resulted in slightly higher levels for cattie. The average for western cattle at Winnipeg rose from $\$ 6.66$ to $\$ 6.78$ per cwt. Choice steers at Toscnto rose from $\$ 7.12 \frac{1}{2}$ to $\$ 7.25$. Hogs were slightly higher due to light runs, the average for thick smooth w.o.e. at Toronto being $\$ 13.90$ as compared $\begin{aligned} & \text { ith }\end{aligned} \$ 13.77$ iast month. Supplies of sheep were meagre, choice varieties at Toronto rising from $\$ 8.00$ to $\$ 8.20$. Hide prices were weaker with limited tradirg. Beef hides, fity cured all weights declined from $10-10 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $9 \frac{1}{2} \phi-10 \phi$ and calf skins from $15 \phi-16 \phi$ to 14\%-15ф. The leather market was weak owing to restricted demand. Sole leather, manufacturers' green hide crops, light and middle weight \#l declined from $40 \phi$ to $38 \phi$ and dry hide sides \#1 from $35 \phi$ to $34 \phi$.

Veal, because of larger supplies declined from $22 \phi$ to $19 \phi$. Smoked meats remained firm owing to continued good demand. Bacon, smoked, standard, light fose from $32 \frac{1}{2} \phi-33 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $35 \phi$ and hams, smoked, standerd, light from $31 \phi-34 \frac{1}{6} \phi$ to $32 \phi$ $-35 \phi$. The outter market was decidedly weaker due to the large supply of Australian butter, to increased domestic production, especially in the Western provinces and a falling off in demand. Creamery finest butter was $38 \phi$ per lb. at Montreal as compared Mith $48 \phi$ last month. At Toronto, creamery prints feclined from $49 \phi$ to 46 , creamery solids from $47 \phi$ to $42 \phi$ and dairy prints from $39 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $35 \frac{1}{4} \phi$. The cheese market was also easier. Owing to the increase in production, large coloured pew cheese fell from $22 \phi$ to $21 \phi$ at Toronto. At Muntreal, Canaian old large cheese, was marked domn from $27 \phi$ to $25 \phi$. demand being at a minimum. Eggs continued dornwari, steadily increasing production and lessened demand, making for weak markets. New latid specials and extras at Montreal were $40 \phi-42 \phi$ as compared with 36 - 37 in March.

Cotton prices were somewhat irreguler, being gorerned chicfly, as is usual at this time of theyear by weather and crop reports. The main trend was however again downward. The average for upland middling spot t Nem York was $19 \frac{2}{4} \phi$ as compared with $191 / 3 \phi$ in March. The high price for the month was $19.45 \phi$ on the 13 th 14 th and 15 th and the low 18.75 क on the 27 th. The cotton declines of the last few months were refleated in cotton fabrics. सue denim 2 yds to $1 b$. declined from $61 \phi$ to $56 \phi$, tieking 1.9 yds to 1 b . from $62.7 \phi$ to $57 \phi$. shirting 4.35 y , to 1 b . from $75 \phi$ to $74 \phi$, and sazony 4.15 yds to 1 b . from $85 \phi$ to $76 \frac{3}{4} \phi$. to The downard movement in silk on ntinued, ram silk Jap. Filature Kansai best Nofl extra declining from $\$ 6.45$ to $\$ 6.05$ per cwt. The mool market owing to pocr Aemand was again weaker. Eastern wool domestic bright $\frac{1}{4}$ blond fell from $32 \phi$ to $31 \phi$ per lb. ant western wool rargen from $33 \phi$ to $32 \phi$. Jute again leclined lst marks falling from $\$ 13.22$ to $\$ 12.46$. Hessian declined in sympathy from $\$ 12.25$ to $\$ 11.75$.

Iron and steel markets were slightly weaker. Following the recent declines in the United States, dornward revisions occurred because of the fery keen competition existing. Basic plg iron at mill fell from $\$ 23$ to $\$ 22$ per tor. Round and square steel bars fell from $\$ 2.03$ to $\$ 1.98$ per cwt. Mire nails base decline from $\$ 3.60$ to $\$ 3.55$ per keg mainly becquse of price cutting.

Non-ferrous metals vere weak and unsettled, fncustrial conditions in Britain, having a depressing effect. Electrolytic enpper, American declined from $\$ 16.00$ to $\$ 15.80$ per cwt. enpper aheets base from $21 \frac{3}{4} \phi$ to $21 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ per $1 b$. and solid base copper wire from $19 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $19 \frac{1}{4} \phi$. Domestic lead fell from $\$ 8.60$ to $\$ 8.50$ per cwt . and lead ptpe from $\$ 15.75$ to $\$ 14.85$. Tin, althouph the avallable supply is 1 imited shared in the prevailing unsettied conditions, receding from last month's high level of $66 \phi$ to $65 \frac{1}{4} \phi$ per 1 lb . Einc (spelter) was $\$ 3.67 \frac{1}{2}$ as compared $w i t h ~ \$ 8.85$ in March. Silver declined from $654 / 5 \phi$ to $641 / 3 \phi$ per fine ounce. Cement decline. drastically due in some measure to increased production and lower operating costs
but also partly to competition. Price quetations at Montreql pere $\$ 1.62$ per bbl. ss compared with \$1.97 last month.

## INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES, APRIL, 1926

## Common Stocks

The Dominion Bureau of Statistic ifd mamber for 31 industrial common stocks (weighted accordint to quantity of stock outstanding, $1913=100$ ) mas 186.7 in April as compared with 189.6 in March. The milling group, which dropped from 230.5 to 215.4 , showed the छreatest decline. The textile and clothine roup declined from 292.1 to 289.0, the fool and allied protucts group from 191.3 to 187.2, and other miscellaneous stocks from 346.4 to 342.3 . Industrial stocks, which fell considerably in price were, Lake of the Woods, OGilvie, B.C. Fishing, Canadian Salt, Canada Cement and F. N. Burt.

Nine bank stocks fell from 107.3 to 106.4. All nine shared in the decline.
Ten Public Uutility stocks rose from 84.7 in March to 85.4 in foril, Most stocks in this group registered declines but the influence of Montreal Lieht, Heat and Power was suffieient to turn the index upward.

The combined index for 50 cmmon stock fell from 129.9 to 228.9.

## Preferred Stocks

The index number for 23 pheferred industrial stocks fell from 100.3 in March to 98.2 in April. In this class of stocks the ironand 6 teel eroup declined from 66.3 to 61.7. manufactures of iron and steel from 83.7 to 80.9 . pulp and paper from 157.0 to 152.3. milling from 104.6 to 103.0 and miscellaneous stocks from 111.7 to 111.1

## Bonds

The index mumber for eighteen industrial and public service bonds was 106.9 in both March ant April.

## Index Numbers of Security Prices, Sales and Values

The Bureau's ner index number of security prices, sales and values based on Jan. 1925 figures which are traken as 100 and computed from twenty-five best sellers on the Montreal and Toronto markets weithted by the number of transactions (see pace 11) rose sifghtly in April beine 171.4 as $c$ mpared with 171.1 in Marcm.

COYPARATIV WYOLESALE PFICES IN CANADA AND OTH CR COUNTRIES: By referring to th 3 tabl cn pagas 12-18, it will ba sean thet thare was slight upwara movement in pricss in canada dur'ing March. The latest availabla statistios show a downward movemont in the Urited
 Swoden, Danmark, Spain, Italy, Finland, Zaэcho-Slcvakie, Bulgariá, Irdiá, Japan, Now Zaalañ, South Africa and Egypt and ari upward movanant in Bulgium, Poland, Russda, Chine and Australié.



INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED AOCORDING TO PURPOSE

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I. Consumers' Goods
    Foods, Beverages and TObacco
    Other Consumers' Goods
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II. Producers' Goods

Producers' Equipment
Producers' Materials
Building and Construction"aterinls Manufacturers' Materials

| 98 | 151.9 | 166.1 | 165.2 | 164.6 | 164.9 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 74 | 149.5 | 173.2 | 170.8 | 169.0 | 169.3 |
| 24 | 154.9 | 157.2 | 158.2 | 159.1 | 159.3 |
| 148 | 153.1 | 153.1 | 151.9 | 149.0 | 150.2 |
| 15 | 179.6 | 180.6 | 181.3 | 182.1 | 182.2 |
| 131 | 150.2 | 150.1 | 148.7 | 145.4 | 146.7 |
| 32 | 154.2 | 152.6 | 152.7 | 152.2 | 150.4 |
| 99 | 149.3 | 149.5 | 147.8 | 143.8 | 145.9 |

INDEX NUNBERS OF COM'ODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO ORIGIN
Total Raw or Partly Manufactured Total Fully or Chiefly "
$\begin{array}{llllll}107 & 151.9 & 164.4 & 161.9 & 159.6 & 163.6\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllll}129 & 158.2 & 159.2 & 159.2 & 157.3 & 154.5\end{array}$
I. Articles of Farm Origin
(Domestic and Foreign)
A. Field, (Grain, fruits, cotton, etc)
(a) Raw or Partly Manufactured
(b) Fully or ohiefly "
(c) Total

| 46 | 161.6 | 184.4 | 180.5 | 176.1 | 190.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 41 | 175.2 | 173.3 | 172.4 | 168.5 | 167.8 |
| 87 | 167.9 | 173.3 | 180.1 | 176.2 | 184.5 |

B. Animal
(a) Raw or Partly Manufactured
(b) Fully or Chiefly "
(c) Total
C. Canadian Farm Producto
(1) Field (grain, etc.)
(2) Animal
(3) Total
II. Articles of Marine Origin
(a) Raw or Partly Manufactured
(b) Fully or Chiefly "
(c) Total
III. Articles of Forest Origin
(a) Raw or Partly Manufactured
(b) Fully or Chiefly
(c) Total
IV. Articles of Mineral Origin
(a) Ram or Partly Manufactured
(b) Fully or Chiefly "
(c) Total

| 25 | 130.9 | 142.8 | 139.2 | 136.8 | 130.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 28 | 143.6 | 156.7 | 157.0 | 157.3 | 148.5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 53 | 136.5 | 149.3 | 147.2 | 146.1 | 138.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 20 | 160.4 | 192.2 | 187.8 | 182.9 | 201.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16 | 124.0 | 140.0 | 132.9 | 129.3 | 124.1 |
| 36 | 146.8 | 173.0 | 167.5 | 163.2 | 172.9 |


| 2 | 108.6 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 124.0 | 122.1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| 6 | 159.5 | 173.9 | 173.9 | 170.5 | 161.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{lllllll}8 & 148.2 & 161.7 & 161.7 & 160.1 & 153.0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}16 & 149.7 & 150.5 & 150.8 & 150.1 & 150.1\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}5 & 196.2 & 196.2 & 196.2 & 184.0 & 184.0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}21 & 159.0 & 159.7 & 159.8 & 156.8 & 156.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}18 & 157.3 & 160.0 & 159.5 & 159.6 & 158.5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}49 & 143.9 & 141.0 & 141.6 & 142.0 & 140.2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}67 & 151.4 & 150.8 & 151.0 & 151.2 & 149.9\end{array}$

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INDEX NUMBIRS OF COMYODITIES
(Classified According to Furposa for which Usei)


7/5/26 MBS.

|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aver. } \\ & 1913 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Apri1 } \\ & 1925 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Teb} \\ & 1926 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mar. } \\ & 1926 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Apr } 11 \\ 1926 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| OATS, \#C C. T. <br> Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis | Bus. | . 340 | . 5034 | .45401 | .47361 | . 53088 |
| WHEAT, \#1 Man. Northern Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis | ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ | . 882 | 1,5595 | 1.54718 | 1.48351 | 7.5664 |
| FLOUR, First Patent | 2-98's |  |  |  |  |  |
| , Toronto $6^{\circ}$ | jute | 5.368 | 8.95 | 9.0545 | 8.625 | 8.8083 |
| SUGAR, raw $96^{\circ}$ centrifugal Montreal | CWt. | 2.995 | .403 | 3.74 | 3.58375 | 3.70875 |
| SUGAR, granulated Montreal | " | 4.198 | 6.4125 | 5.99 | 5.89 | 5.795 |
| FUBBER, ribbed smoked sheets New Tork | Lb. | .666 | .434 | . 624 | .5837 | . 511 |
| RUBSER, para, upriver, fine Nen York | " | .872 | . 364 | .576 | . 51777 | .459 |
| CATTME, choice steers Toronto | Cwt. | 6.893 | 7.625 | 7.251 | 7.125 | 7.25 |
| HOGS, trick smonth Toronts | " | 9.329 | 13.44 | 14.29 | 13.77 | 13.90 |
| BEEF HIDES, \#1 city cured Toronto | 2 Lb . | .34 .144 | 112-12 | . $10-.10 \frac{1}{2}$ | .10-.10 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 91-. 10 |
| SOLE EATHER, Mfr's green hide croos Toronto | Ib. | . 40 | . 42 | . 42 | . 40 | . 38 |
| BOX SIDES B |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M111 | Ft. | .203 | . 28 | . 27 | . 27 | . 26 |
| BUTMER, creamery, finest Montreal | Lb. | .274 | . 35 | . 47 | .48 | . 38 |
| CHEESE, CAndian, old large Montreal | Lb. | . 17 | . 25 | .27 | . 27 | . 25 |
| EGGS, Fresk, Specials and extras Montreal COTTON, ram 1-1 1/16" | Ioz | . 35 | .35-. 36 | . $44-.46$ | . $40-.42$ | .36-. 37 |
| Hamilton. | Lb. | . 135 | . 2729 | .2347 | . 2211 | 211 |
| COTMON IARNS, lo's white single h.osiery cops, mill | Lb. | .244 | . 44 | . 405 | . 405 | . 39 |
| SAXONY, 4.15 yzs. to 1 b . Montreal | Lb. | . 441 | . 8507 | . 8507 | . 8507 | . 7677 |
| GINGHAM, moskeag 6.37 yds to lb . |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toronto | Yd. | . 095 | . 175 | .1725 | . 1725 | .1725 |
| SILK, ram, むap, fil?ture,Kansai \# New York | Lb. | 3.757 | .615 | 6.80 | 6.35 | 5.95 |
| WOOL, EAstarabright $\frac{1}{4}$ blood. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iomestic, Toronto | Ib. | . 165 | . $40-.42$ | . 34 | . 32 | . 31 |
| WOCL, Western range, semi-bright $\frac{1}{2}$ blood, domestic, Toronto PULP, groundmõod \#1 | Lb. | .215 | . 40 | . 35 | . 33 | . 32 |
| Mili | Ton | 15.90 | $\begin{array}{r} 28.00- \\ 30.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 27.00- \\ 33.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 27.00- \\ 33.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 27.00- \\ 32.00 \end{array}$ |
| PIG IRON, basic Mill | Ton | 19.00 | 23.00 | 23.00 | 23.00 | 22.00 |
| STHIL MERCHANT BARS | Ton | 37.92 | 50.00 | 45.00 | 45.00 | 45.00 |
| ETIMTROLYTIC COPPER |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| iwr.atreal | Cwt. | 15.72 | 15.40 | 16.15 | 16.00 | 15.80 |
| Montreal | OTt. | 4.67 | 8.10 | 0.90 | 8.60 | 8.495 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { IiN INGOTS, straits } \\ & \text { Pionto } \end{aligned}$ | Lb. | . 465 | . 53 | . $65 \frac{1}{2}$ | . 66 | .651/4 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { SHontr } \\ & \text { sintreal } \end{aligned}$ | Cwt. | 5.80 | 8.55 | 9.35 | 8.85 | $8.67 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Cont, antiracite |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Turonto | Ton | 5.879 | 13.02 | 13.52 | 13.57 | 13.5 ? |
| COAL, bituminous. N.S. rion of mine | Ton | 3.53 | 6.25 | 6.50 | 6.50 | 6.50 |
| GAJOLINE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tosonto | Gal . | . 25 | . 235 | . 245 | . 245 | . 245 |
| Slupharic AcId, $66^{\circ}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mcretreal and Toronto | Cwt. | 1.30 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 |

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INDEX NUMBERS OF RERAIL PRICES，RENTS AND COSTS OF SERVICES

The weightad index number of retail mricas，rants and costs of sarvicas cmputad by tha Dominion Bur atu of Statistics $(1913=100)$ ，dropped ona point from 152 in March to 151 in April．Tha daclinz was dua to lowar pricas for food and elothing．

Tha index number for the 46 food itams included was 153 ir March and 151 in April．Thョ drop in pricestmainly of a sasoñl natur 3．Eggs，fresh，spacials and 3xtras fell from $46 \frac{1}{2} \phi$ to $39 \frac{3}{1} \phi$ par dozan and cocking oggs from $38 \frac{3}{1} \phi$ to $34 \frac{3}{9} \phi$ ．Butt $3 r$ pricas á raportad \＆t tha baginning of the month ware slightly highar but war a aesiar latar in tha month．Mät pricas wara slightly highar．

The fial and lighting indax was unchanged，boing 151 in both March and April．
Tha index number for clothing based or data collectad by the Department of Lebour fall from 155 in ME：ch to 153 in April．This reflacts the low ar pricas which havョ prevailed for soma months in tha raw matarials markst for cotton and wool．

Tha indax number for ronts，based on late collactad by tha Depertmant of Lábour，ramainad át 144 ．

Miscallanaous itams racor dad tha sama prica laval as in March，tha indax $r$ अmining àt 252.

## TABLE OF INDEX NTMBERS OF RETAIL FRICES，RENTS AND SOSTS OF

 SEFVICES IN CANADA$1913=100$

Food（46 itams）（1）

| March | Apr11 |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 153 | 151 |  |
|  |  |  |
|  | 130 |  |
|  | 177 | 151 |
| 151 | 144 |  |
| 144 | 153 |  |
| 155 | 175 |  |
| 175 | 142 |  |
| 142 | 148 |  |
| 148 | 146 |  |
| 146 | 145 |  |
| 145 | 188 |  |
| 188 | 151 |  |
| 151 | 124 |  |
| 124 | 117 |  |
| 117 | 121 |  |
| 121 | 159 |  |
| 159 | 200 |  |
| 200 | 220 |  |
| 220 | 144 |  |
| 144 | 167 |  |
| 167 | 152 |  |
| 152 | 151 |  |

（1）Tha 46 food itams are as follows：－
Ba3f（sirloin stakk），beaf，（shouldar roast），$\nabla$ ªl rosst，futton roast， pork rsast，ioss pork，bacon，boiled ham，cod fish，finnan haddie，canned selmon， lard，agjs，frash，aggs，cooking and storage，milk，dairy buttar，or aimary buttar， cheきsa，br ョad，soda biscuits，flour，rollad oats，rica，tapiocá，cannad tomätoэs， cannad paas，cannad corn，bāns，onions，potatoss，svaporatad applas，prunэє，raíins， curliants，stan，paches．canned，marmaläde，corn syrup，granulated sugar，y jllow sugar， coffэə，təá，cocoà，viragar，salt，pappar．

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## INDEX NTMPTFS OF CECURITY PRICES, WEIGHTED

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| Stcciss Nov. Dec. Jan. | Feb. Nar. Apr11 |  |  |  |  |
| included 1925 | 1925 | 1926 | 1926 | 1926 | 1926 |


| BANKS | 9 | 106.7 | 106.9 | 107.7 | 108.0 | 107.3 | 106.4 |
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| PUBLIC SERVICES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Railway, Steamship Porer, etc.) | 10 | 81.4 | 81.3 | 82.4 | 85.8 | 84.7 | 85.4 |
| Transportation (Steam) | 2 | 63.8 | 62.8 | 64.0 | 67.5 | 66.6 | 66.6 |
| Municipal Railways | 2 | 41.2 | 41.2 | 41.7 | 42.3 | 40.5 | 39.8 |
| Telephone | 1 | 94.9 | 95.8 | 95.3 | 95.1 | 94.1 | 93.7 |
| Power Companies | 5 | 209.0 | 214.2 | 216.0 | 220.7 | 218.7 | 224.9 |
| Industrials | 31 | 171.0 | 175.5 | 185.6 | 197.0 | 189.6 | 186.7 |
| Iron and stecl | 2 | 43.2 | 44.7 | 44.7 | 46.6 | 46.3 | 45.3 |
| Iron and steel products and construction | 3 | 72.2 | 70.6 | 70.2 | 75.2 | 75.5 | 75.9 |
| Pulo and paper | 5 | 165.8 | 182.8 | 189.7 | 198.6 | 193.0 | 192.7 |
| Milling | 4 | 224.5 | 222.6 | 235.0 | 240.9 | 230.5 | 215.4 |
| Textile and clotring | 5 | 283.9 | 287.1 | 294.1 | 296.9 | 292.1 | 289.0 |
| Miscellaneous | 12 | 270.5 | 271.6 | 297.0 | 370.9 | 307.0 | 302.9 |
| (a) Food and Allied Products | 6 | 197.7 | 196.5 | 194.0 | 194.4 | 191:3 | 187.2 |
| (b) All other | 6 | 295.3 | 297.1 | 332.1 | 377.3 | 346.4 | 342.3 |
| , GENERAL INDEX NTMBERS | 50 | 120.9 | 122.6 | 127.3 | 134.2 | 129.9 | 128.9 |

11. PREFERRED STOCKS

INDUSTRIALS - $\begin{array}{llllllllll} & 23 & 98.8 & 98.5 & 99.2 & 100.3 & 100.3 & 98.2\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Iron and Stee1 } & 3 & 68.0 & 65.6 & 66.1 & 65.8 & 66.3\end{array} \quad 61.7$
Iron and Steel Products and Construction
Pulp and paper
Milling
Textile and clothing
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## Jamazy $1925=100$

The Bureau's weigtted index numbers of the 25 best selling industritel and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges, was very little change on the average in April as compared with March. Last montr the inded ragistered 171.4 while in March the figure was 171.1.

The meighted index mumber of the volume of stocks traded fell from 160.3 in March to 67.7 in April and the index number of total values of stoctis traded fell from 276.3 to 116.0 in the same period.

Thus while prices were, on the average fairly well maintaincod in April as compared with March there was a great diminution in selfes and in total values. Of the twenty-five best selling stocks the prices of eibitecn declined, there Was a rise in the case of five and two were unchanged. Brazilian averaged ${ }_{q} 9.8$ in March and 89.3 in April and Consolidated.Smelters averaged.202.1. in both monthei the eighteen deciines were comparatively slight and were overbalanced by the five fncreases among which that of Montreal Light. Heat and Power was the most inpostand The average for that stock rose from 216.3 in March to 224.5 in April.

The sales of twenty-tro were lower and those of three wete hifhef. In the case of some stocks the diminution in activity was very marked. Mie vorluth of smelters saies dropped to one-third of what it was in March and Bnazilianhto about the same prodortion. Other stocks whose sales foll off sharply were National Breveries, Abitibi, B. C. Fishing, Brompton, Lequrentide, and Twin city i. Price Bros. was the most important increase.

Index Numbers of Prices, Sales and Values of Industrial cidd Public Utility Common Stocks, Jamuary $1925=100$
Column 1-Teighted index numbers of the prices of the 25 best sellirg Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks, on the Montreal and Toronto exchanges. Column 11- Weighted index numbers of the volume of shares sold.
Columnlll- Index numbers of the total money value of the stocks inciuded in 1 and 2 above.


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