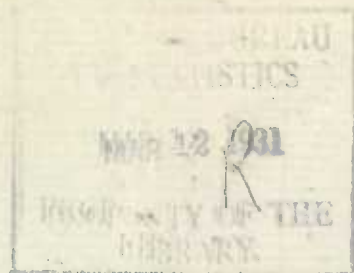


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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES
FEBRUARY, 1931

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics index number of wholesale prices, 1926-100, fell from 76.7 in January to 76.0 in February. 42 quotations were higher, 117 were lower, while 343 remained unchanged.

Vegetable Products rose from 58.0 to 59.0, owing chiefly to higher prices for flax, oats, rye, barley, wheat, flour, malt, oatmeal and rolled oats, which influenced the index more than declines for canned peaches, canned cherries, corn, gluten meal, potatoes and hay. Animals and Their Products declined from 88.2 to 84.6, on account of price reductions for beaver, white fox, red fox, marten, lynx, muskrat, hides, leather, steers, calves, hogs and lambs. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products moved down from 75.5 to 74.7, lower prices for raw jute, hessian, raw silk and raw wool, more than offsetting gains for raw cotton, and fine grade woollen cloth. Wood, Wood Products and Paper fell from 85.1 to 84.9, due to reduced prices for fir timber, cedar boards and cedar bevel siding. Iron and Its Products dropped from 88.7 to 87.9, because of easier quotations for galvanized steel sheets, wire, and scrap iron and steel. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products declined from 69.1 to 67.9, due to lower prices for antimony, electrolytic copper, copper sheets, copper wire, lead and zinc. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products changed fractionally from 89.3 to 89.0, on account of easier prices for gasoline and kerosene. Chemicals and Allied Products moved from 88.4 to 88.2, influenced by reduced quotations for litharge, and lampblack.

Consumers' Goods fell from 81.7 to 80.8, owing to price reductions for canned peaches, canned cherries, potatoes, fresh eggs, fresh and cured meats, lard, serge, woollen yarn and carpets.

Producers' Goods declined from 70.3 to 69.9, lower prices for gasoline, kerosene, fir, cedar, copper, lead, silver, zinc, raw silk, raw rubber, hides, leather, steers, hogs and lambs more than offsetting gains for raw cotton, wheat, oats, flax, rye, barley, flour, malt and tin.

Raw and Partly Manufactured Goods moved down from 66.6 to 66.0, reduced quotations for hogs, steers, lambs, hides, eggs, cedar, copper, lead, zinc, raw rubber and raw silk, influencing the index more than advances for wheat, flax, rye, barley, raw cotton and tin.

Fully and Chiefly Manufactured Goods dropped from 79.9 to 79.4, on account of easier prices for gluten meal, copper sheets, copper sulphate, galvanized wire, lard, leather, canned salmon, and gasoline.

Farm Products changed from 61.2 to 60.8, due principally to reduced prices for potatoes, corn, peas, hay, lambs, hogs, steers, hides, eggs, and raw wool which more than counterbalanced gains for wheat, oats, rye, barley and flax.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT PRICE CHANGES: WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS.- During the first two weeks of February, cash wheat prices made the most consistent advance witnessed since last August, although there have been sharper rises of less duration in the meantime. Beginning on the 3rd, the Winnipeg market advanced with minor interruptions to reach a temporary peak on February 10th. Following an abrupt reaction in the next two days, prices then appeared to have been established again on a level, several cents above the January average. Too little moisture in the United States winter wheat belt, and too much in the Argentine where threshing operations were seriously hampered, influenced the initial firmness of markets. Local support was steadily apparent at Winnipeg, and offerings there were generally of very moderate volume. The climax to the advance came with an unfounded rumour of revolution in Russia. Failure of confirmation coincided with a sharp decline on the 11th, which was undoubtedly accentuated by profit taking.

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Reports of rain in Kansas, and the announcement of an unexpectedly large weekly shipment of Russian wheat amounting to 2,095,000 bushels followed on the 12th, and prices again dropped lower, bringing No.1 Manitoba Northern cash wheat at Winnipeg back to 58 7/8¢ at the close. For several days following, the market held firm, supported fairly well by local traders. A reduction of 33,000,000 bushels in the official Argentine estimate of the current crop also gave a strengthening effect. On the 19th and 20th a short upturn occurred, prompted by damaging rains in the Argentine, and reports of buying by European millers. An immediate reaction followed, however, with improvement in Argentine weather and beneficial rains in the south western part of the United States. This weakness was increased by rumours of proposed export sales by the U.S. Farm Board which were first reported on the 23rd. Confirmation of them was made in a public statement issued on the 26th by the Board announcing the intention to dispose of 35,000,000 bushels of wheat on the export market. The Winnipeg cash close of No.1 Man. Northern wheat was 56 5/8¢ on February 28th as compared with 54 1/2¢ on January 31st.

The February monthly average price for Manitoba No.1 Northern cash wheat, Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis, was 59.3¢ as compared with 53.9¢ per bushel in January, marking the first advance this average has made since April 1930.

Other grains with the exception of corn, either held firm or made minor advances. Barley, No.3 C.W. remained the same at 22.1¢ per bushel; flax, No.1 N.W.C., advanced from 95.1¢ to 96.9¢ per bushel; oats, No.2 C.W., rose from 26.2¢ to 27.7¢ per bushel; while rye, No.2 C.W., was 28.6¢ in February as against 27.1¢ per bushel in January. No.2 American yellow corn dropped from 82.6¢ to 79.3¢ per bushel at Toronto.

MILLED PRODUCTS.- The volume of flour business in eastern Canada was reported about normal with competition extremely keen. In western Canada trade was very quiet. January exports of flour at 392,256 barrels were the lowest for some time. Manitoba spring No.1 patent flour at Toronto reflected the firmer tone in wheat prices and advanced from an average of \$5.21 to \$5.28 per 2-98's jute, in February.

Rollled oats, in 90 pound bags at Toronto, advanced from \$2.40 to \$2.50, the first increase noted since last March.

SUGAR.- Raw sugar markets were quiet for the most part during February, and had less news of speculative importance to act upon than for some months past. Under such conditions prices held steady, but averaged considerably below those for January. Cuban production continued to run behind last year's figures, and in mid-February only 126 mills were reported in operation as compared with 154 at the same time in 1930. It is stated that the average of the past two crops is to be taken as the quota for Cuban mills, although the smaller mills claim this arrangement to be unfair to them. A reorganization of the Javan selling agency during the month representing 85 p.c. of the producers favourable to the recently formed international agreement, was considered to be an event which might result in all exports being made by government license. An announcement coming from Poland stated that the sugar-beet crop there for the coming year was to be curtailed even more sharply than agreed upon at the international conference in order to liquidate carry-overs more quickly and thereby make savings on storage and carrying charges.

Cuban raw sugar, 96° centrifugal, c. and f., New York, fell from an average of \$1.38 in January to \$1.32 per 100 pounds in February. The standard granulated price at Montreal remained at \$4.56 per 100 pounds.

RUBBER.- Prices of raw rubber continued to react to increasingly unfavourable statistical information during February, and on the 24th, a new all time low of 7.10¢ for old "A" contracts was reached on the New York exchange. This was followed, however, by a rapid recovery which carried prices up 40 points within the week. January U.S. consumption was given as 28,556 tons, or several thousand tons below earlier estimates. Imports of 37,098 tons caused stocks on hand to advance to 209,487 tons. London stocks at the end of the third week were 82,111 tons as against 62,725 tons a year ago.

Ceylon ribbed smoked sheets at New York, fell from a January average price of 8.3¢ to 7.7¢ per pound in February. Upriver fine Para raw rubber at New York, dropped from 11.4¢ to 9.8¢ per pound.

COFFEE.- Weak Brazilian exchange, declining water-freight rates, and the depressing effect of large world stocks, which fail to show many signs of considerable liquidation, furnished the background for further decreases in quotations for coffee in distributing markets. The lowest level of prices recorded since 1921 was reached on the New York market in the fourth week of February. At the end of February U.S. stocks of coffee at 1,600,000 bags were higher than corresponding figures during any of the past

four years. U.S. deliveries, however, in the seven months ending January 31st were given as 6,657,886 bags as against 5,273,750 bags for the same period of 1929-30, indicating improvement in consumption.

Green Santos coffee at Toronto, quoted at 17¢ per pound, and green Rio and green Jamaica at 16¢ per pound, were the same as for January.

LIVESTOCK.- Practically all descriptions of livestock were swept lower during February in the sharpest general decline since last mid-summer. Cattle runs were not heavy, but buying was for the most part indifferent. Exceptionally mild weather, the marketing of unfinished animals and the coming of the Lenten season were all factors which helped to depress prices. One of the few bright spots in cattle markets during the month was some small-lot buying for export to the United Kingdom at Toronto. Calves began the month by declining rapidly, but had steadied considerably towards the close. Hog prices were the weakest of all livestock quotations. Supplies were not heavy, but buying was reported to be strongly influenced by poorly finished offerings and heavy stocks of dressed hogs in eastern outlets. Lambs occupied a relatively stronger position for the month than other kinds of livestock, especially at Montreal. The first offering of spring lambs was made there in the final week of February with prices running over 40¢ a pound.

Good steers, over 1,050 pounds at Toronto averaged \$6.23 for February as against \$7.42 in January; at Winnipeg they dropped from \$6.11 to \$5.59. Good veal calves fell from \$10.82 to \$9.60 at Toronto, and from \$10.77 to \$9.34 at Winnipeg. Bacon hogs at Toronto declined sharply from \$10.19 to \$8.63 at Toronto, from \$8.70 to \$7.47 at Winnipeg, and from \$10.01 to \$8.85 at Montreal. Good handyweight lambs averaged \$8.85 as against \$9.56 at Toronto, and fell from \$7.88 to \$7.36 at Winnipeg. The Montreal average price moved down from \$8.29 to \$8.15.

FURS.- Some fur prices quoted at the January Canadian fur sales auction at Montreal were sharply below those for the preceding auction in September 1930, while other advanced moderately. Beaver, I and II Extra Large and Large-Ontario, were \$15.25-\$19.00 as against \$19.50-\$26.00 in September. Ontario and Quebec red fox I and II fell from \$12.38-\$18.75 to \$10.00-\$15.25. Quebec mink, I part II dark, advanced from \$12.75-\$17.25 to \$15.25-\$21.00, and Ontario spring muskrat remained about the same at \$.94-\$1.02 as against \$.92-\$1.09 in September.

BUTTER.- Prices for butter in eastern Canada were again slightly firmer during February, while in the west there was little change recorded. Cold storage holdings of creamery butter recorded by the Agricultural Statistics Branch of the Bureau as of February 1st, were 16,886,579 pounds. This amount was 23.68 p.c. above last year's comparable total, but showed a decline of 22.16 p.c. for the past month.

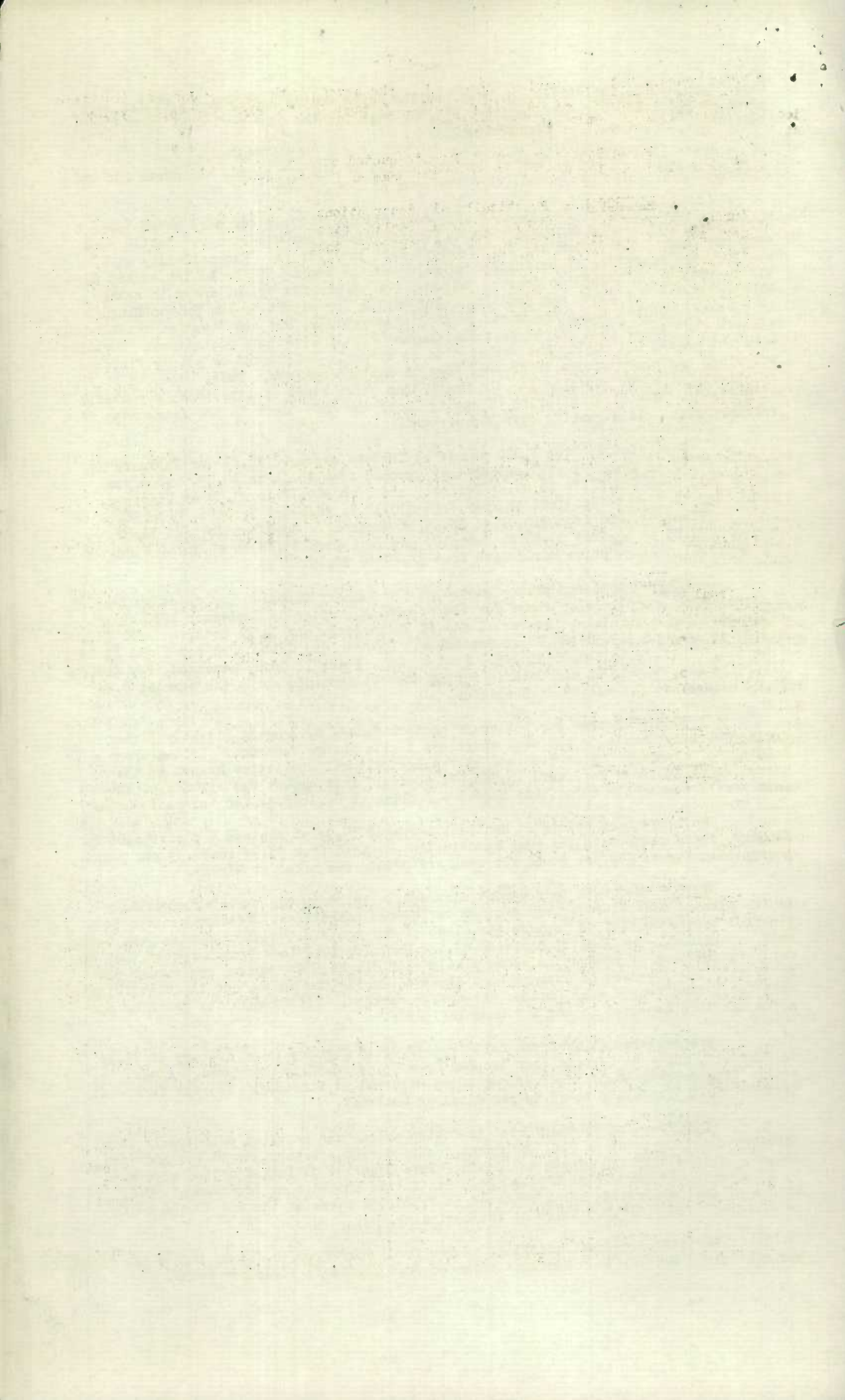
No.1 creamery prints at Montreal averaged 34.9¢ as against 34¢ per pound in January, while at Toronto the same description advanced from 33.9¢ to 34.4¢ per pound. A drop from 35¢ to 34¢ per pound for creamery prints was noted at Regina.

EGGS.- Moderate improvement occurred in February egg markets, especially in the extreme east where stormy weather influenced marketings. Western centres too, reported better conditions towards the close of the month although production was being well maintained. The Poultry Division of the Dominion Livestock Branch report that an early spring peak of production seems likely with "light, late spring and summer production." The movement of storage eggs improved during the month, and it is anticipated that the Lenten season will further strengthen markets. Withdrawals for hatching purposes are also expected to add a firmer influence.

Fresh extras at Montreal fell from 38.6¢ in January to an average of 33.9¢ in February, while at Toronto they dropped from 35.5¢ to 32.6¢ per dozen. A more severe drop from 36.5¢ to 27.9¢ per dozen occurred at Winnipeg. Storage firsts at Montreal fell from 23.5¢ to 19.8¢ per dozen at Montreal.

COTTON.- The February rise in cotton prices was ascribed principally to a short covering movement on U.S. exchanges combined with a better demand for American cotton, particularly from Japan and India, where supplies of Indian cotton were said to be appreciably lower than a year ago. Statistics showed some improvement, U.S. stocks of American cotton being reported at 7,720,000 bales at the end of the month as compared with 7,912,000 bales at the beginning.

Raw cotton, upland, middling, at New York, rose from 10.28¢ to 10.96¢ per pound, and raw cotton 1-1 1/16" at Hamilton advanced from 11.06¢ to 11.8¢ per pound.



SILK.- Price of raw silk, New York basis, moved down during the month. This decline was attributed mainly to adverse statistics, Japanese port stocks being reported at 143,000 bales on February 14th as compared with 140,000 on February 1st. The closing of all Japanese filatures during March, was regarded as a development likely to improve the silk situation.

Raw silk, grand double extra, New York basis, fell from \$3.57 to \$3.12 per pound. Raw silk, crack double extra, moved down from \$3.20 to \$2.85 per pound, and raw silk extra was 38¢ lower at \$2.80 per pound, New York basis.

WOOL.- Canadian prices were lower for eastern wool, but showed a slight advance for western grades. Steps towards price control were reported as being taken by several of the principal wool producing countries. In New Zealand drastic cuts have occurred in quantities offered for sale, and 50,000 bales at London and 13,432 pounds at Buenos Aires were withdrawn from sales recently held.

Raw wool, eastern bright, fell from 16¢ to 15¢ a pound. Raw wool, western, semibright, 3/8 blood, advanced 1¢ to 14¢ a pound.

LUMBER AND TIMBER.- Market news pertaining to lumber showed little change from the preceding month. In the west, stocks of common grades were reported large, with mills operating at half capacity but export demand was fairly well maintained at the moderate volume obtaining in recent months.

No.1 common fir timber 6 x 6" - 12 x 12" 12' - 40', fell from \$14.00 to \$13.00 per M.bd.ft. Cedar boards No.1 common 1 x 8" - 10", declined from \$14.00 to \$12.00 per M.bd.ft., and cedar bevel siding 1/2" x 6 was \$2.00 lower at \$28.00 per M.bd.ft. f.o.b. mill carlots.

IRON AND STEEL.- Quotations for iron and steel remained practically unchanged except in the case of scrap. A somewhat better inquiry for new material was reported, due chiefly to the increased demand for railway rolling stock and bridge construction. Orders still continued for small tonnages to meet immediate demands.

Scrap steel, heavy melting, in charging box sizes, moved down from \$10.50 to \$9.50 per gross ton, and scrap steel in overcharging box sizes declined from \$9.00 to \$8.00 gross ton. No.1 machinery cast iron scrap dropped from \$13.50 to \$12.00 per net ton, and No.2 machinery cast iron scrap was \$1.00 lower at \$9.00 per net ton delivered at Canadian foundries.

COPPER.- Declines in copper prices in the U.S. basic market were prevalent during the early part of the month, but latterly prices advanced to close at 10.55¢ c.i.f. European ports. Among strengthening factors were better demand, and a reduction in world output from 136,252 tons in December to 129,390 tons in January. This was said to be the lowest monthly figure in several years, and indicated the progress of the curtailment agreement.

Electrolytic domestic copper was \$11.49 as compared with \$11.68 per 100 pounds carlots f.o.b. Montreal. Copper sheets moved down from 25.9¢ to 25.4¢ per pounds carlots or less f.o.b. Montreal.

TIN.- Tin prices improved in the face of adverse statistics which placed the world's visible supply of tin at the end of February at 49,339 tons or 5,720 tons above the January figure. This is said to represent one of the sharpest increases recorded in the history of tin. Strength was attributed chiefly to the announcement of a programme for the curtailment of production.

Tin ingots, Straits, rose from 28 1/2¢ to 28 3/4¢ per pound f.o.b. Toronto.

SILVER.- Among bearish influences which tended towards weaker silver prices was the report of steady accumulation of silver stocks in India together with the probability of an increase in the import duty on silver entering that country.

Fine silver at New York averaged 26.7¢ as compared with 29 1/2¢ per ounce in January.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - 1913=100
See Page 8 for these data on the base 1926=100

	No. of Price Series	Feb. 1930	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1931 Jan.	Feb.
Building and Con- struction Materials	97	147.5	137.0	134.1	132.6	130.3	131.0	129.6	128.4	127.8
Lumber	27	142.6	127.4	122.8	122.4	120.7	120.4	118.9	118.6	117.9
Painters' Materials	11	174.6	160.1	157.5	144.2	138.0	137.5	136.0	127.8	127.3
Miscellaneous	59	145.5	139.8	139.3	139.1	138.2	139.0	138.4	137.0	136.2

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SUMMARY TABLES OF INDEX NUMBERS

	Price Series	Feb. 1930	Nov. 1930	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1931	Feb. 1931
Total Index 502 Commodities	502	94.0	79.8	77.8	76.7	76.0
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO THEIR CHIEF COMPONENT MATERIALS						
I. Vegetable Products, (grain fruits, etc.)	124	88.8	62.9	59.4	58.0	59.0
II. Animals and Their Products	74	109.5	93.6	90.5	88.2	84.6
III. Fibres, Textiles and Textile Products	60	87.3	77.5	76.9	75.5	74.7
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	92.7	85.8	85.2	85.1	84.9
V. Iron and Its Products	39	92.7	89.3	89.0	88.7	87.9
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	94.8	73.5	71.6	69.1	67.9
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	93.3	89.4	89.4	89.3	89.0
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	73	94.3	90.9	90.3	88.4	88.2
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO PURPOSE						
I. Consumers' Goods	204	95.0	84.5	83.1	81.7	80.8
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	116	103.0	83.8	80.9	79.9	78.4
Other Consumers' Goods	88	89.4	84.9	84.6	82.9	82.4
II. Producers' Goods	351	91.8	73.4	71.3	70.3	69.9
Producers' Equipment	22	96.2	90.9	91.5	91.5	91.3
Producers' Materials	329	91.5	71.5	69.2	67.9	67.5
Building & Construction Materials	97	96.7	85.7	85.0	84.0	83.6
Manufacturers' Materials	232	90.4	68.2	65.5	64.4	64.0
INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO ORIGIN						
Total Raw and Partly Manufactured	232	94.0	70.5	67.4	66.6	66.0
Total Fully and Chiefly Manufactured	276	92.5	82.8	81.4	79.9	79.4
I. Articles of Farm Origin (Domestic and Foreign)						
A. Field, (grain, fruits, cotton, etc.)						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	98	81.6	49.1	44.5	43.8	45.5
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	69	91.0	75.8	74.4	72.0	72.0
(c) Total	167	86.7	63.5	60.6	59.0	59.3
B. Animal						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	41	117.5	95.8	93.4	92.0	87.2
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	49	96.1	86.6	83.9	81.7	80.3
(c) Total	90	105.5	90.8	88.0	86.2	83.3
C. Canadian Farm Products						
(1) Field (grain, etc.)	46	85.7	48.7	43.6	42.7	45.2
(2) Animal	13	117.6	95.8	93.1	92.1	87.0
(3) Total	59	97.7	66.6	62.3	61.2	60.8
II. Articles of Marine Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	5	98.1	90.8	81.7	80.9	80.9
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	11	106.0	92.2	89.3	86.1	83.7
(c) Total	16	103.9	92.4	87.8	84.7	82.9
III. Articles of Forest Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	31	98.4	85.2	84.1	83.8	83.5
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	21	87.5	85.8	85.9	85.9	85.9
(c) Total	52	92.6	85.5	85.1	84.9	84.7
IV. Articles of Mineral Origin						
(a) Raw and partly manufactured	57	91.9	81.9	81.7	81.0	80.2
(b) Fully and chiefly manufactured	126	92.0	88.7	88.2	87.8	87.4
(c) Total	183	92.0	85.7	85.3	84.8	84.2

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES
(Classified According to Chief Component Material)
1926=100

	No. of Price Series	Feb. 1930	Nov. 1930	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1931	Feb. 1931
Total Index	502	94.0	79.8	77.8	76.7	76.0
1. Vegetable Products	124	88.8	62.9	59.4	58.0	59.0
Fruits	15	100.9	96.0	92.0	92.0	91.5
Fresh, Domestic	3	107.4	109.7	108.6	110.6	113.7
Fresh, Foreign	4	97.7	90.2	81.0	77.1	73.2
Dried	5	90.5	74.2	73.6	78.9	78.9
Canned	3	101.0	93.7	93.7	93.7	92.1
Grains	23	82.2	44.8	38.9	37.9	41.0
Flour and Milled Products	9	96.6	64.4	61.2	60.0	60.8
Bakery Products	2	103.2	84.8	83.0	83.0	83.0
Vegetable Oils	6	90.6	76.2	76.1	71.1	68.6
Rubber and Its Products	6	63.8	61.5	61.5	54.9	54.9
Sugar and Its Products and Glucose	5	87.9	79.2	79.2	77.5	77.4
Tea, Coffee, Cocoa and Spices	13	90.6	74.0	73.8	70.9	70.7
Tobacco	8	78.8	78.8	78.8	73.5	73.5
Vegetables	15	111.2	57.5	53.7	55.2	54.1
Miscellaneous	22	86.2	81.8	79.4	80.6	78.2
11. Animals and Their Products	74	109.5	93.4	90.5	88.2	84.6
Fishery Products	16	96.7	92.4	87.8	84.7	82.9
Furs	9	121.0	99.0	99.0	85.8	69.7
Hides and Skins	5	97.6	63.7	57.9	53.1	45.1
Leather, Unmanufactured	5	106.1	99.9	99.9	99.0	97.6
Boots and Shoes	3	100.7	98.7	98.7	98.7	98.7
Live Stock	4	126.7	91.2	90.9	92.1	79.7
Meats and Poultry	10	113.0	92.9	90.7	89.6	85.3
Milk and Its Products	12	105.8	90.9	88.2	87.0	87.9
Fats	5	89.1	91.3	83.5	80.3	66.4
Eggs	5	126.0	106.2	98.7	88.1	76.3
111. Fibres, Textiles & Textile Products	60	87.3	77.5	76.9	75.5	74.7
Cotton, raw	2	89.4	62.6	57.2	58.8	62.7
Cotton Yarn and Thread	2	99.7	88.9	88.9	81.5	81.5
Cotton Fabrics	17	91.1	84.5	84.5	81.9	81.9
Knit Goods	1	92.2	92.2	86.7	86.7	86.7
Sash Cord	1	107.1	97.4	97.4	97.4	93.5
Flax, Hemp & Jute Products	8	76.8	70.2	68.1	67.8	66.6
Silk, raw	3	74.7	40.7	41.5	51.6	45.5
" thread and yarn	2	82.7	72.8	72.8	72.8	72.8
" hosiery	2	90.9	75.8	75.8	75.8	75.8
" fabrics	4	74.0	50.9	50.9	46.9	46.9
Artificial Silk & Products	2	69.4	62.4	67.1	68.5	68.5
Wool, raw	3	65.7	49.0	48.6	48.6	47.4
" yarns	4	92.8	75.9	70.5	70.5	66.2
" hosiery and knit goods	2	99.4	94.1	92.3	92.3	92.3
" blankets	1	99.0	93.9	93.9	89.8	89.8
" cloth	4	89.1	78.0	78.0	79.0	75.2
Carpets	2	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	90.3

Commodities	No. of Price Series	Feb. 1930	Nov. 1930	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1931	Feb. 1931
IV. Wood, Wood Products and Paper	44	92.7	85.8	85.2	85.1	84.9
Newsprint	2	86.5	84.7	84.7	84.7	84.7
Lumber and Timber	27	98.3	82.9	81.9	81.7	81.2
Pulp	3	97.7	90.6	89.2	88.6	88.5
Furniture	11	99.9	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8
Matches	1	73.1	72.5	72.5	72.5	72.5
V. Iron and Its Products	39	92.7	89.3	89.0	88.7	87.9
Pig Iron and Steel Billets	4	89.9	86.9	86.9	86.9	86.9
Rolling Mill Products	10	94.7	91.2	90.9	91.0	90.7
Pipe (Cast Iron & Steel)	2	91.9	89.9	89.9	89.9	89.9
Hardware	14	93.6	91.7	91.7	91.7	91.7
Wire	3	89.3	89.3	89.3	86.3	84.8
Scrap	5	84.6	71.2	68.2	68.2	60.7
Miscellaneous	1	100.0	95.0	95.0	95.0	95.0
VI. Non-Ferrous Metals and Their Products	15	94.8	73.5	71.6	69.1	67.9
Aluminium	1	88.7	84.6	84.6	84.6	84.6
Antimony	1	49.3	42.8	42.8	43.7	42.8
Brass, Copper & Products	5	125.7	82.6	79.2	76.1	75.3
Lead and Its Products	2	78.5	60.4	60.6	57.2	55.9
Metallic Nickel	1	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5	97.5
Silver	1	69.7	57.9	52.6	47.6	43.1
Tin Ingots	1	65.4	46.3	42.6	42.6	43.0
Zinc and Its Products	2	66.1	52.2	51.9	49.5	48.0
Solder	1	66.9	52.8	50.2	50.2	48.9
VII. Non-Metallic Minerals and Their Products	73	93.3	89.4	89.4	89.3	89.0
Bricks	3	101.8	100.3	100.3	100.3	100.3
Pottery	2	92.0	81.2	81.2	81.2	81.2
Coal	11	97.7	93.2	93.7	93.7	93.6
Coke	6	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8	100.8
Coal Tar	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Glass and Its Products	6	71.6	71.6	71.6	65.8	65.8
Petroleum Products	6	85.5	81.3	80.8	80.8	79.8
Salt	4	102.0	111.3	113.3	114.6	114.6
Sulphur	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Plaster	3	96.9	96.9	96.9	96.9	96.9
Lime	4	99.1	98.4	98.4	98.1	97.8
Cement	1	101.3	100.7	100.7	100.7	100.7
Sand and Gravel	8	96.5	96.8	96.8	96.8	96.8
Crushed Stone	3	94.5	87.5	87.5	87.5	87.5
Building Stone	3	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6
Asbestos	6	107.5	89.2	89.2	89.2	89.2
VIII. Chemicals and Allied Products	73	94.3	90.9	90.3	88.5	88.2
Inorganic Chemicals	22	93.8	92.1	92.2	91.0	91.0
Organic Chemicals	7	82.6	81.3	75.4	75.4	75.4
Coal Tar Products	2	102.6	102.6	102.6	99.1	99.1
Dyeing and Tanning Materials	10	93.7	91.7	91.7	91.7	91.7
Paint Materials	9	89.9	79.3	78.1	77.7	77.1
Drugs & Pharmaceutical Chemicals	10	104.6	101.5	101.4	99.3	99.3
Fertilizers	10	81.6	89.3	89.2	88.9	89.4
Industrial Gases	2	97.1	97.1	97.1	97.1	97.1
Soap	1	100.0	100.0	100.0	92.6	92.6

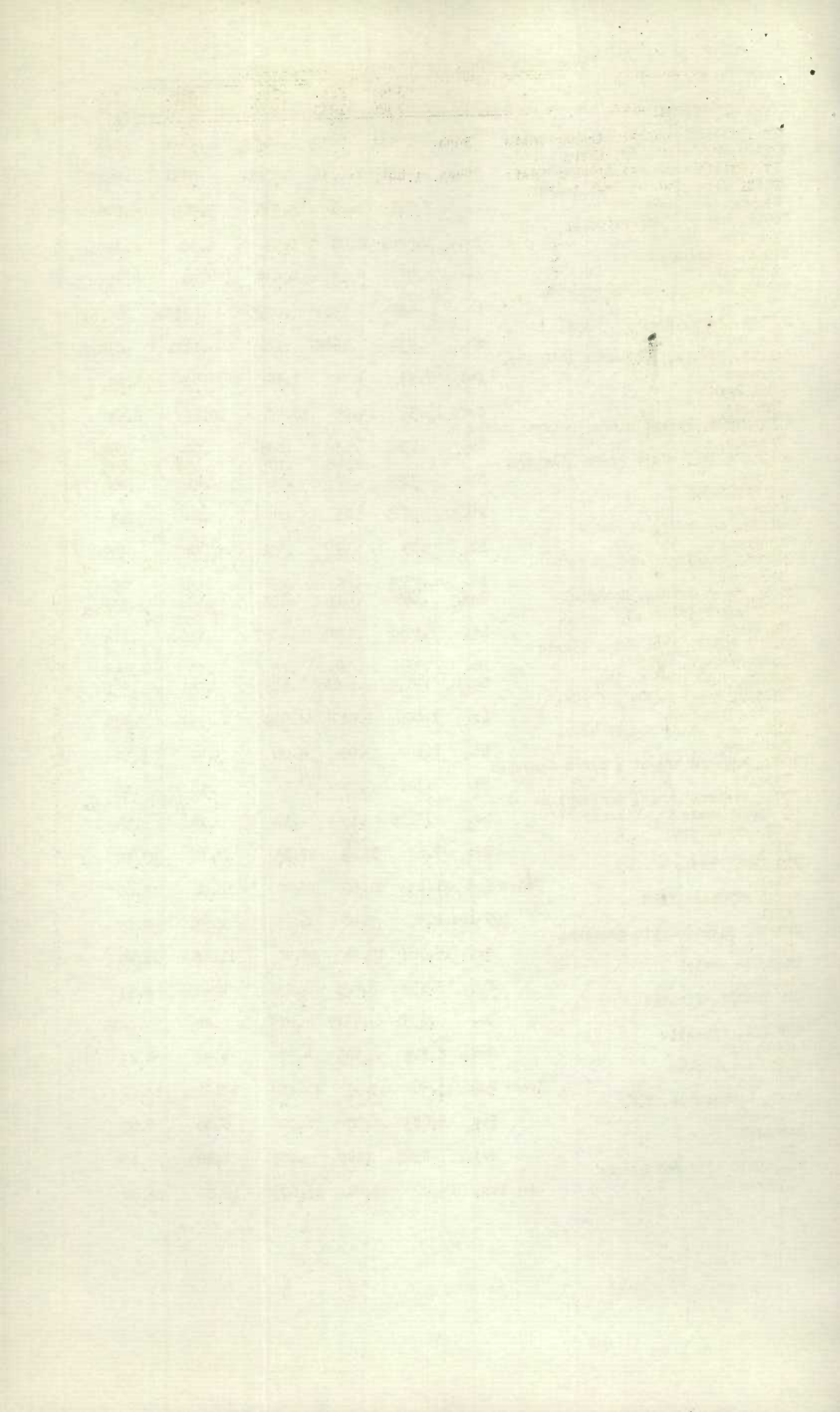
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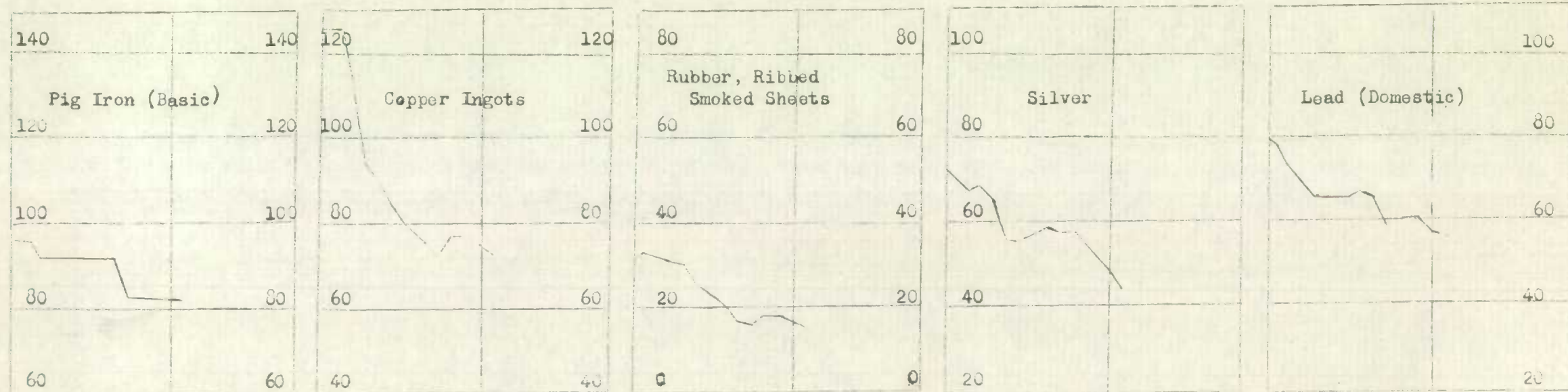
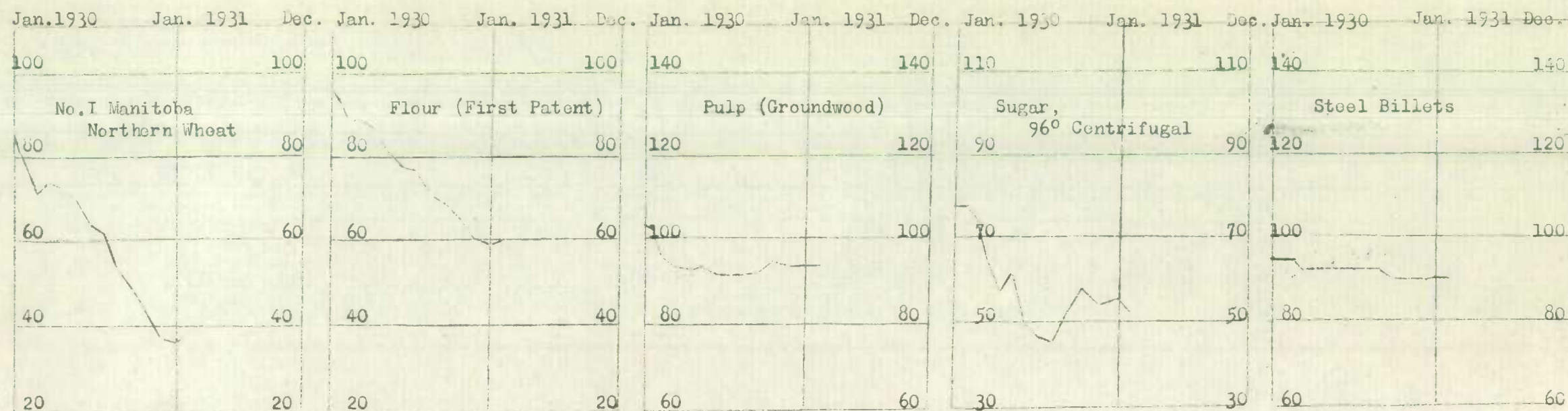
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	No. of Price Series	Feb. 1930	Nov. 1930	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1931	Feb. 1931
I. <u>CONSUMERS' GOODS (GROUPS A & B)</u>	204	95.0	84.5	83.1	81.7	80.8
A. <u>Foods, Beverages & Tobacco</u>	116	103.0	83.8	80.9	79.9	78.4
Beverages	8	90.6	74.6	74.6	71.8	71.8
Flour and Milled Products	5	92.4	63.5	59.3	60.0	60.8
Bakery Products	2	103.2	84.8	83.0	83.0	83.0
Fish	16	103.9	92.0	87.8	84.7	82.9
Fruits	15	100.9	90.5	90.4	92.0	91.5
Meats and Poultry	10	113.0	92.9	90.7	89.6	85.3
Milk and Milk Products	12	105.8	90.9	88.2	87.0	87.9
Sugar and Its Products	3	87.9	79.2	79.2	77.5	77.4
Vegetables	15	111.2	57.5	53.7	55.2	54.1
Eggs	5	126.0	106.2	98.7	88.1	76.3
Tobacco	8	78.8	78.8	78.8	73.5	73.5
Miscellaneous	17	87.5	87.9	83.4	80.4	71.6
B. <u>Other Consumers' Goods</u>	88	89.4	84.9	84.6	82.9	82.4
Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Hosiery and Underwear	41	91.2	83.5	83.1	81.8	81.2
Household Equipment & Supplies	47	88.1	86.0	85.8	83.7	83.3
II. <u>PRODUCERS' GOODS (GROUPS C & D)</u>	351	91.8	73.4	71.3	70.3	69.9
C. <u>Producers' Equipment</u>	22	96.2	90.9	91.5	91.5	91.3
Tools	3	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8
Light, Heat and Power Equipment and Supplies	17	96.0	91.1	91.8	91.8	91.6
Miscellaneous	2	101.4	84.5	84.5	84.5	84.5
D. <u>Producers' Materials</u>	329	91.5	71.5	69.2	67.9	67.5
Building and Construction Materials	97	96.7	85.7	85.0	84.0	83.6
Lumber	27	98.3	82.9	81.9	81.7	81.2
Painters' Materials	11	95.7	75.4	74.6	70.1	70.1
Miscellaneous	59	95.4	91.0	90.6	89.7	89.2
<u>Manufacturers' Materials</u>	232	90.4	68.2	65.5	64.4	64.0
Textile and Clothing	47	86.0	74.3	74.2	72.4	71.5
Furs and Leather Goods	19	110.1	94.6	93.8	88.1	80.7
For Metal Working Industries	35	94.3	76.5	74.8	72.9	71.6
For Chemical Using Industries	44	93.1	91.6	90.9	90.0	90.0
For Meat Packing Industries	4	126.7	91.2	90.9	92.1	79.7
For Milling and Other Industries	23	82.2	44.8	38.9	37.9	41.0
Miscellaneous Producers' Materials	60	88.9	77.6	76.1	75.6	75.4

WHOLESALE PRICES OF IMPORTANT COMMODITIES

		Aver. 1926	Feb. 1930	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1931	Feb. 1931
OATS, No. 2 C.W.		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis	Bush.	.5483	.5948	.2674	.2616	.2766
WHEAT, No. 1 Man. Northern						
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur basis	Bush.	1.4951	1.1735	.5541	.5391	.5927
FLOUR, First Patent 2-98's Jute						
Toronto		8.821	8.20	5.355	5.208	5.278
SUGAR, raw 96° centrifugal						
New York	Cwt.	2.5469	2.00	1.35	1.38	1.32
SUGAR, granulated						
Montreal	Cwt.	5.9577	5.18	4.655	4.56	4.56
RUBBER, ribbed, smoked sheets						
New York	Lb.	.488	.1584	.08954	.08254	.07663
RUBBER, Para, upriyer, fine						
New York	Lb.	.434	.16687	.121	.1141	.09807
CATTLE, Steers, good-over 1050 lbs.						
Toronto	Cwt.	7.33	9.78	7.36	7.42	6.23
HOGS, Bacon						
Toronto	Cwt.	13.32	14.09	10.45	10.19	8.63
BEEF HIDES, Packer hides, native steers						
Toronto	Lb.	.1347	.13-	.085-	.08-	.065-
SOLE LEATHER, mfr's green hide crops						
Toronto	Lb.	.3858	.42	.41	.41	.40
BOX SIDES B.						
Oshawa	Ft.	.2625	.26	.24	.24	.23
BUTTER, creamery, finest						
Montreal	Lb.	.39	.39	.332	.34	.349
CHEESE, Canadian, old large						
Montreal	Lb.	.2558	.28	.25	.25	.25
EGGS, Fresh Extras, Montreal	Doz.	.465	.493	.603	.386	.339
COTTON, raw 1-1 1/16"						
Hamilton	Lb.	.1942	.1725	.1067	.1106	.118
COTTON YARNS, 10's white single						
Hosiery cops, mill	Lb.	.368	.365	.25	.25	.25
SAXONY, 4.50 yds. to lb.	Lb.	.7172	.6412	.585	.551	.551
GINGHAM, dress 6.50-7.75 yds. to lb. Montreal	Lb.	1.086	1.0174	.994	.994	.994
SILK, raw, grand double extra						
New York	Lb.	6.642	5.05	3.00	3.57	3.12
WOOL, Eastern bright 1/4 blood domestic						
Toronto	Lb.	.306	.21	.16	.16	.15
WOOL, Western Range, semi-bright 1/4 blood domestic, Toronto	Lb.	.3158	.19-	.14	.14	.14
PULP, groundwood No. 1			.20			
Mill	Ton	29.67	30.29	27.75	27.78	27.75
PIG IRON, basic						
Mill	Gross Ton	21.833	21.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
STEEL MERCHANT BARS						
Mill	100 lbs.	2.45	2.40	2.25	2.25	2.25
COPPER, Electrolytic domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	15.767	19.75	12.20	11.68	11.49
LEAD, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.154	6.425	4.93	4.64	4.53
TIN INGOTS, Straits						
Toronto	Lb.	.6691	.4375	.285	.285	.2875
SPELTER, domestic						
Montreal	Cwt.	8.825	5.825	4.57	4.36	4.23
COAL, anthracite						
Toronto	Gross Ton	13.56	13.47	13.22	13.22	13.22
COAL, bituminous, N.S. run-of-mine	Ton	6.083	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
GASOLINE						
Toronto	Gal.	.2525	.195	.185	.185	.185
SULPHURIC ACID 66° Beaume						
Ontario	Net Ton.	14.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00





Wholesale Prices, Years 1930 and 1931 (1926=100)

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS, AND COSTS OF SERVICES IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1931.
1926=100

The index number of retail prices, rents, and costs of services fell from 95.2 in January to 94.1 in February.

The index for 46 food items was down from 89.1 to 85.6, due mainly to a sharp decline in the price of eggs. Fresh eggs dropped from 50.3¢ to 35.0¢, and cooking and storage eggs from 40.1¢ to 27.4¢ per dozen. Beans declined from 7.7¢ to 7.1¢ per lb. Creamery butter was slightly higher, being 37.7¢ per lb. for February as compared with 37.3¢ for January. Meat prices were fairly steady.

The fuel and lighting index moved up from 96.4 to 96.5, owing to somewhat higher prices for wood and coke in certain centres.

The clothing index has been revised back as far as December to indicate a drop from 91.6 to 88.3. All three sub-groups comprising the clothing group, namely, men's clothing, women's clothing, and yard goods, registered declines.

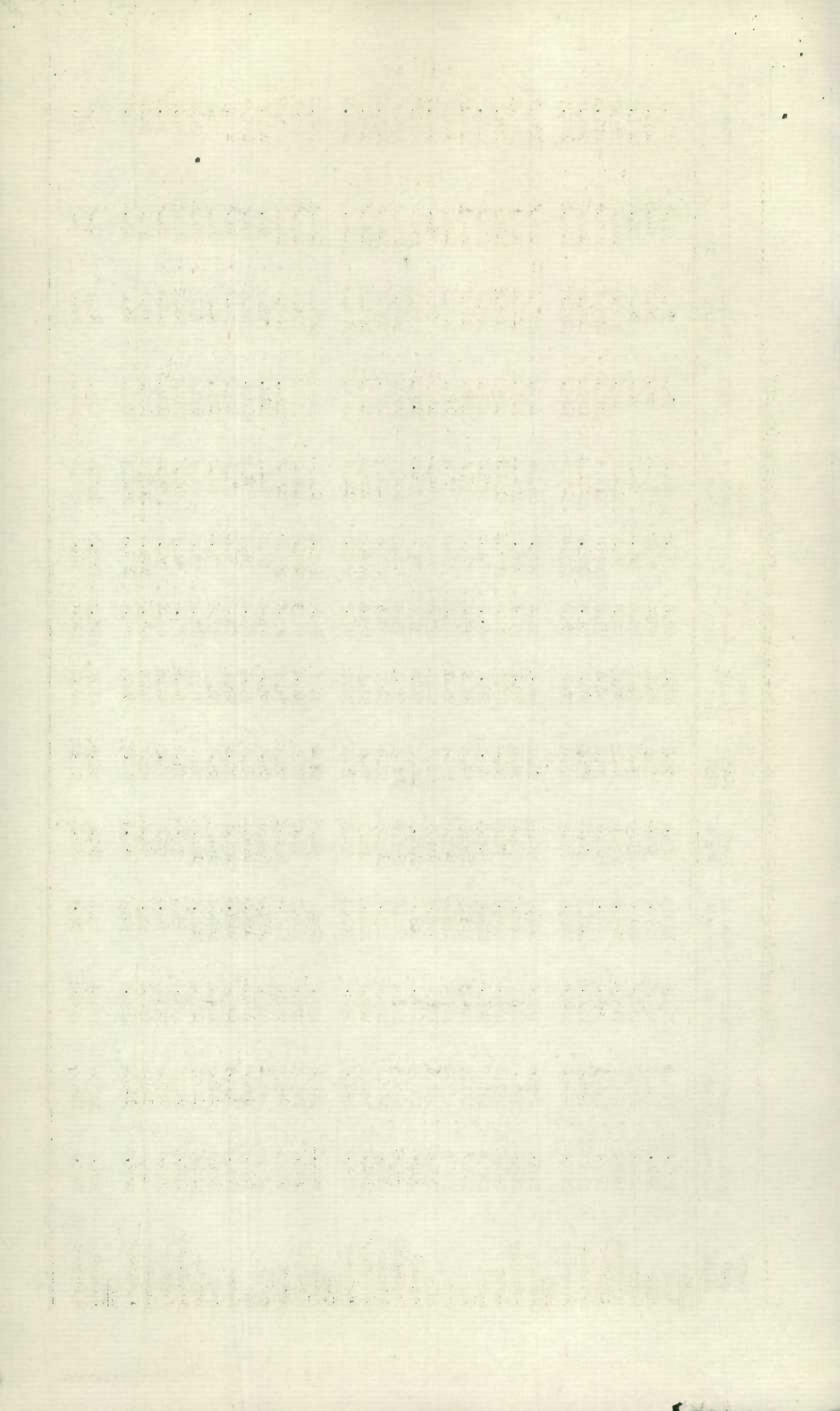
The index for miscellaneous items has been revised back to December, in order to show declines in the furniture and housefurnishing sub-groups. The revision caused the whole index to move down from 99.2 to 99.0 in December and from 99.0 to 98.3 in January. Slight declines in motor operating costs caused the index to go still lower in February, from 98.8 to 98.7.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES, RENTS, AND COSTS OF SERVICES, 1914-
FEBRUARY, 1931.

	Total Index	Food Index	Fuel Index	Rent Index	Clothing Index	Sundries Index
1913	65.4	66.2	65.8	64.1	63.3	66.2
1914	66.0	68.9	64.5	62.2	63.9	66.2
1915	67.3	69.5	63.2	60.3	69.6	66.9
1916	72.5	77.5	64.5	60.9	79.7	70.2
1917	85.6	100.0	71.7	65.4	93.7	76.8
1918	97.4	114.6	78.9	69.2	109.5	86.1
1919	107.2	122.5	86.2	75.6	125.9	95.4
1920	124.2	141.1	102.6	86.5	153.2	104.0
1921	109.2	107.9	109.2	94.2	124.7	106.0
1922	100.0	91.4	104.6	98.1	105.7	106.0
1923	100.0	92.1	104.6	100.6	104.4	105.3
1924	98.0	90.7	102.0	101.3	101.9	103.3
1925	99.3	94.7	100.0	101.3	101.9	101.3
1926	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1927	98.5	98.1	97.9	98.8	97.5	99.6
1928	98.9	98.6	96.9	101.2	97.4	99.1
1929	100.0	101.0	96.8	103.3	96.9	99.3
1929						
March	99.3	100.0	97.4	101.2	97.3	98.7
April	98.7	98.1	97.5	101.2	97.3	98.8
May	99.1	97.9	96.7	103.6	96.9	99.0
June	99.0	97.8	96.1	103.6	96.9	99.1
July	99.3	98.5	96.0	103.6	96.9	99.4
August	101.1	104.2	96.2	103.6	96.7	99.6
September	100.9	103.6	96.3	103.6	96.7	99.7
October	101.2	103.2	96.5	105.5	96.7	99.7
November	101.5	104.3	97.1	105.5	96.5	99.7
December	101.7	104.8	97.3	105.5	96.5	99.7
1930						
January	102.2	106.5	97.3	105.5	96.5	99.6
February	101.9	106.0	97.3	105.5	95.9	99.6
March	101.5	104.3	97.4	105.5	95.9	99.6
April	100.4	101.1	97.2	105.5	95.9	99.6
May	100.2	100.7	95.8	106.5	95.0	99.6
June	100.1	100.4	95.6	106.5	95.0	99.6
July	99.6	98.5	95.5	106.5	95.0	99.5
August	98.9	96.3	95.8	106.5	95.0	99.6
September	97.3	93.1	95.8	106.5	91.6	99.3
October	97.0	92.8	96.4	105.5	91.6	99.3
November	96.9	92.6	96.4	105.5	91.6	99.2
December	96.0	91.5	96.4	105.5	88.3	99.0
1931						
January	95.2	89.1	96.4	105.5	88.3	98.8
February	94.1	85.6	96.5	105.5	88.3	98.7

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Year and Month	Beef Sirloin	Beef Chuck	Veal Roast	Mutton Roast	Pork Fresh	Pork Salt	Bacon Break- fast	Lard Pure	Eggs Fresh	Eggs Storage &Cooking	Milk	Butter Dairy	Butter Creamery	Cheese
<u>1928</u>														
June	117.7	129.6	113.5	102.3	87.1	92.5	82.6	89.0	76.9	80.9	98.3	98.5	97.8	102.5
July	121.4	134.0	116.7	102.3	92.4	93.5	86.1	89.4	82.3	85.9	98.3	95.1	96.9	102.5
August	122.1	134.0	117.7	101.0	95.4	95.7	90.3	90.6	90.2	94.9	98.3	97.8	99.6	103.8
September	124.1	134.0	121.9	103.0	103.0	98.2	94.7	91.8	98.9	104.0	105.8	102.0	102.7	104.4
October	122.4	136.5	125.0	104.0	102.6	98.9	98.6	93.5	109.0	114.6	105.8	105.7	106.0	106.3
November	119.7	136.5	122.9	100.3	94.0	97.5	94.0	93.5	122.6	121.1	105.8	107.2	106.7	106.0
December	117.7	134.0	122.4	100.3	89.7	95.0	90.0	92.2	137.0	127.6	105.8	107.9	106.9	105.7
<u>1929</u>														
January	118.0	135.8	125.0	101.0	90.4	95.0	88.9	91.4	128.4	121.6	105.8	108.6	107.8	106.0
February	118.4	136.5	126.0	102.3	91.1	94.6	87.7	91.8	106.2	104.0	109.2	108.6	108.1	106.3
March	118.7	137.1	128.1	102.0	92.7	94.6	87.7	90.6	109.4	111.8	109.2	109.9	109.6	106.3
April	120.4	137.7	126.6	101.3	95.7	95.3	87.5	90.2	86.1	87.4	109.2	109.1	109.6	106.3
May	123.8	141.5	124.5	105.7	100.3	97.5	88.6	89.4	74.8	77.4	108.3	108.9	106.5	106.6
June	129.6	152.2	127.1	104.4	103.0	99.3	91.7	89.8	75.0	77.9	105.8	100.5	100.0	104.4
July	129.9	152.8	128.1	106.7	104.6	100.7	91.7	89.8	96.7	80.4	105.8	96.8	98.7	104.4
August	130.6	150.9	128.1	108.4	108.6	100.7	94.9	90.6	83.8	86.9	105.8	99.3	100.4	104.7
September	127.9	146.5	128.1	106.7	107.6	102.2	96.3	89.4	101.3	104.3	103.3	103.2	102.9	104.4
October	125.5	142.1	129.2	103.7	103.6	99.3	94.9	88.6	109.6	113.3	103.3	105.2	104.9	103.8
November	121.8	140.2	129.7	101.7	99.3	98.6	93.3	87.7	124.6	122.1	107.5	107.7	106.0	104.1
December	119.0	138.9	130.2	101.3	95.7	97.5	91.7	87.3	138.2	126.6	107.5	108.4	106.3	104.4
<u>1930</u>														
January	122.1	142.8	130.2	104.0	98.7	98.2	91.7	86.9	137.6	131.4	113.3	108.6	106.3	104.1
February	123.5	145.3	129.7	104.7	99.7	98.6	91.9	87.3	127.6	130.2	111.7	104.2	103.8	102.5
March	123.1	145.9	133.9	106.4	101.3	99.3	93.3	87.8	111.1	115.1	111.7	102.5	101.6	103.5
April	124.5	147.2	129.7	107.4	101.0	98.9	93.5	87.3	78.8	81.9	110.8	97.3	96.6	103.5
May	126.9	150.9	127.1	108.7	101.0	96.8	93.3	86.9	74.6	78.1	110.8	89.9	88.4	103.5
June	129.3	152.8	125.5	107.0	102.0	97.8	93.3	87.3	76.1	79.6	107.5	86.2	86.6	102.5
July	127.6	147.2	124.0	104.4	100.7	96.8	93.5	86.9	77.4	82.2	105.0	81.5	81.2	99.4
August	124.5	142.1	121.4	100.7	100.3	98.9	93.1	86.1	79.7	84.9	100.0	79.3	80.1	99.4
September	118.7	132.7	119.3	99.7	99.0	97.5	92.4	85.7	82.5	86.9	101.7	81.7	81.7	98.1
October	115.0	127.0	119.3	94.6	98.0	97.1	92.4	86.1	90.8	95.2	101.7	86.2	86.6	96.5
November	110.2	121.4	115.6	91.6	94.4	97.1	91.7	86.5	109.0	107.8	103.3	87.6	87.0	94.6
December	107.5	115.1	113.5	91.3	86.7	95.7	90.3	85.3	124.6	115.3	103.3	86.2	85.4	94.0
<u>1931</u>														
January	106.5	117.0	113.5	89.6	85.4	93.5	88.7	84.9	107.5	100.8	102.5	83.5	83.4	91.8
February	106.1	116.4	114.1	92.6	84.1	93.5	86.1	82.4	74.8	68.8	101.7	82.5	84.3	90.3



Index Numbers of Retail Prices of Principal Articles of Food in Canada (Concluded)

Year and Month	Bread	Flour	Roll'd Oats	Rice	Beans	Apples Evaporated	Prunes	Sugar Granulated	Sugar Yellow	Tea	Coffee	Potatoes	Vinegar	Weighted Food Index (46 items)
1928														
June	108.1	98.1	110.3	96.3	112.7	107.0	84.7	102.6	101.3	100.0	98.4	63.0	101.3	95.9
July	108.1	98.1	108.6	96.3	115.2	109.0	86.0	102.6	100.0	99.4	98.7	59.7	100.0	96.6
August	102.7	98.1	108.6	97.2	115.2	107.5	86.0	101.3	100.0	99.4	98.7	77.2	101.3	98.9
September	102.7	96.2	108.6	95.4	116.5	104.5	86.0	100.0	98.7	99.3	98.0	60.1	101.3	99.2
October	100.0	96.2	108.6	95.4	120.3	105.5	86.6	100.0	97.3	99.4	99.3	53.2	101.3	101.1
November	100.0	94.3	108.6	95.4	124.1	104.5	85.4	98.7	96.0	98.7	99.2	51.8	102.6	100.7
December	100.0	94.3	106.9	94.5	130.4	103.0	86.0	96.2	98.3	98.3	98.9	51.2	101.3	100.5
1929														
January	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	134.2	103.5	86.6	96.2	96.0	98.7	99.2	52.4	102.6	100.3
February	100.0	92.5	108.6	96.3	140.5	104.0	86.6	97.4	94.7	98.5	99.3	54.0	102.6	99.4
March	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	148.1	106.5	87.3	96.2	94.7	98.3	98.5	53.6	101.3	100.0
April	100.0	92.5	106.9	96.3	149.4	106.5	86.0	94.9	93.3	98.8	99.2	51.0	102.6	98.1
May	100.0	92.5	108.6	95.4	151.9	104.5	86.0	92.3	92.0	98.7	99.2	50.0	101.3	97.9
June	98.6	90.6	106.9	94.5	151.9	106.5	86.6	91.0	89.3	98.2	98.7	52.2	102.6	97.8
July	98.6	90.6	108.6	94.5	150.6	106.0	87.3	92.3	90.7	98.2	98.9	59.7	100.0	98.5
August	98.6	100.0	110.3	94.5	150.6	108.0	87.9	89.7	90.7	98.2	98.4	109.7	101.3	104.2
September	102.7	100.0	110.3	95.4	150.6	106.0	90.4	91.0	90.7	98.3	98.4	87.1	102.6	103.6
October	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	149.4	105.0	93.0	92.3	92.0	97.8	98.4	83.9	102.6	103.2
November	102.7	100.0	110.3	93.6	143.0	107.0	97.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	99.0	84.1	101.3	104.3
December	102.7	100.0	110.3	94.5	136.7	106.5	99.4	93.6	92.0	97.9	98.7	85.1	101.3	104.8
1930														
January	105.4	98.1	110.3	94.5	131.6	105.5	102.5	92.3	92.0	98.3	98.7	87.9	101.3	106.5
February	105.4	98.1	108.6	93.6	127.3	104.5	104.5	92.3	92.0	97.4	97.5	73.8	100.0	106.0
March	105.4	96.2	106.9	93.6	125.3	104.0	103.8	92.3	92.0	95.4	96.1	94.8	101.3	104.8
April	105.4	94.3	108.6	93.6	120.3	103.5	105.1	91.0	90.7	94.6	95.8	89.3	101.3	101.1
May	105.4	94.3	106.9	92.7	117.7	102.0	103.8	88.5	88.0	91.8	94.4	97.4	101.3	100.7
June	105.4	92.5	106.9	93.6	121.5	104.5	104.5	87.2	86.7	84.4	93.6	100.6	101.3	100.4
July	102.7	90.6	106.9	92.7	120.3	104.0	101.3	85.9	84.0	83.3	92.6	96.0	101.3	98.5
August	102.7	88.7	106.9	92.7	117.7	101.0	99.4	84.6	85.3	82.1	92.0	87.9	101.3	96.3
September	95.9	86.8	105.2	91.7	117.7	100.5	96.8	82.1	82.7	82.4	90.7	64.1	100.0	93.1
October	94.6	81.1	101.7	92.7	116.4	102.5	94.3	82.1	82.7	82.1	89.5	60.7	100.0	92.8
November	91.9	77.3	96.5	91.7	110.1	100.5	88.5	82.1	82.7	81.0	88.6	56.7	100.0	92.6
December	86.5	71.7	94.8	89.9	102.5	95.5	82.8	82.1	82.7	80.2	88.1	53.8	100.0	91.5
1931														
January	87.8	69.8	91.4	89.9	97.5	93.5	80.3	80.8	81.3	79.9	86.9	52.6	100.0	89.1
February	86.5	66.0	87.9	88.1	89.9	93.5	78.3	80.8	81.3	78.8	84.5	51.4	100.0	85.6

INDEX NUMBERS OF SECURITY PRICES

Movement of Indexes in February, 1931,
Traders' Index

The "Traders' Index" of the prices of twenty-five best selling industrial and public utility common stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges was 660.2 for the month of February, 1931, as compared with 609.3 for January, 1931, (monthly indexes are simple averages of weekly figures).

Some of the principal changes in price during the month were as follows:-
Consolidated Mining and Smelting rose from \$141.1 to \$166.1, Viau Biscuit from \$9.9 to \$19.4, Atlantic Sugar from \$21.9 to \$28.8, Bell Telephone from \$143.4 to \$150.2, National Breweries from \$27.9 to \$33.4, Page Hersey from \$84.3 to \$89.4, British Columbia Power "A" from \$35.5 to \$40.5, National Steel Car from \$34.7 to \$38.6, Montreal Light, Heat and Power from \$55.5 to \$59.3 and Shawinigan from \$50.3 to \$53.8.

Sales of Montreal Light, Heat and Power mounted from 32,900 to 102,300, International Nickel from 106,600 to 175,900, National Breweries from 12,200 to 77,100, Brazilian from 97,100 to 155,300, Canada Cement from 4,700 to 48,000, Consolidated Mining and Smelting from 3,200 to 21,800, McColl-Frontenac Oil from 18,500 to 35,800 and Dominion Bridge from 8,700 to 23,200. Walkers declined from 66,000 to 41,100.

Notes: The Traders' Index measures the trend of gains or losses for an "Average" Trader on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges, who buys and sells as a whole and turns over his investments every week.

Column I. - Weighted index numbers of the prices of the 25 best selling Industrial and Public Utility Common Stocks on the Montreal and Toronto Exchanges.

Column II.- Index numbers of the total money value of the stocks included in Column I.

Date	I Prices	II Values
<u>1926</u>	100	100
<u>1928</u>		
January	317.7	282.9
February	322.0	230.3
March	388.5	230.6
April	379.5	262.0
May	417.1	256.0
June	388.0	184.3
July	391.2	108.0
August	391.3	127.8
September	470.6	166.4
October	553.2	362.4
November	714.1	440.1
December	809.7	256.8
<u>1929</u>		
January	1039.5	475.3
February	1125.8	280.3
March	1057.3	242.4
April	962.4	128.4
May	955.1	113.4
June	968.0	82.2
July	1032.1	86.0
August	1170.1	212.2
September	1230.4	179.2
October	1125.8	269.5
November	769.2	119.4
December	786.7	55.8
<u>1930</u>		
January	828.9	56.4
February	864.3	51.9
March	898.6	56.1
April	1010.9	93.1
May	921.2	53.3
June	821.3	52.7
July	768.6	10.2
August	731.3	13.7
September	778.4	20.3
October	618.1	25.4
November	612.7	7.4
December	596.5	5.6
<u>1931</u>		
January	609.8	3.4
February	660.2	5.8

INVESTORS' INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS

The monthly index of ninety-eight industrial stocks mounted from 124.7 in January to 129.3 in February. Miscellaneous rose from 141.0 to 159.6, Food and Allied Products from 112.0 to 123.4, Iron and Steel and Iron and Steel Products from 143.7 to 149.5 and Beverages from 69.3 to 75.1, while Oils fell from 190.8 to 184.5 and Milling from 107.6 to 102.1. Eighteen Utilities advanced from 107.3 to 114.9. In this group Power and Traction rose from 115.6 to 124.2 and Transportation from 102.2 to 109.4. Eight companies abroad rose from 83.6 to 84.9, with Utilities mounting from 80.5 to 89.2. Eight banks were 110.1 in February as compared with 109.1 in January.

PREFERRED STOCKS

The index number of twenty-two preferred stocks remained almost unchanged for February, being 83.4 as compared with 83.2 in January. Canadian Cottons rose from 50.0 to 54.0, National Breweries from 30.7 to 33.0, and Ogilvie from 125.0 to 127.5. Abitibi declined from 43.0 to 42.3, Canada Bread from 99.4 to 97.8, Moore Preferred "A" from 106.0 to 102.0 and Moore Preferred "B" from 123.8 to 118.1.

INDEX NUMBERS OF 22 PREFERRED STOCKS

1926 - 1931

(1926=100)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1926	100.4	101.4	100.9	99.6	98.3	98.7	99.1	99.4	100.0	100.2	101.0	101.4
1927	102.1	102.5	102.7	102.6	102.5	102.1	102.5	103.8	104.8	107.8	110.8	111.8
1928	111.5	110.9	109.9	111.4	111.7	111.2	110.3	107.5	107.6	106.2	104.0	107.9
1929	107.4	108.1	106.8	104.3	104.3	104.8	104.8	105.6	105.1	102.9	99.8	100.4
1930	97.9	98.8	100.0	103.4	102.6	99.5	97.4	97.1	96.2	85.4	81.9x	82.5
1931	83.2	83.4										

WEIGHTED INDEX NUMBERS OF 17 MINING STOCKS

1926=100

The weighted index number of seventeen mining stocks computed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics on the base of 1926=100 was 72.7 for the week ending February 26th, as compared with 73.0 for the previous week.

Eleven gold stocks fell from 72.2 to 71.0. Gold copper stocks represented by Amulet and Noranda rose from 83.0 to 86.5. Four silver and miscellaneous stocks rose from 35.1 to 36.2.

Among the gold stocks the weekly average prices behaved as follows: Coniaurum fell from 52¢ to 50¢, Dome from \$10.90 to \$10.75, Hollinger from \$8.33 to \$8.13, McIntyre from \$22.76 to \$22.38, Vipend Consolidated from \$1.11 to \$1.07, Kirkland Lake 70¢ to 66¢, Lake Shore from \$26.31 to \$25.83, Sylvanite from 69¢ to 64¢ and Teck-Hughes from \$6.97 to \$6.95.

Average weekly prices were higher for both of the gold copper stocks. Amulet rose from 34¢ to 37¢ and Noranda from \$17.25 to \$17.98.

In the silver and miscellaneous group, Nipissing rose from \$1.52 to \$1.55 and Mining Corporation from \$1.96 to \$2.09.

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INVESTORS MONTHLY INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMON STOCKS
1926 = 100

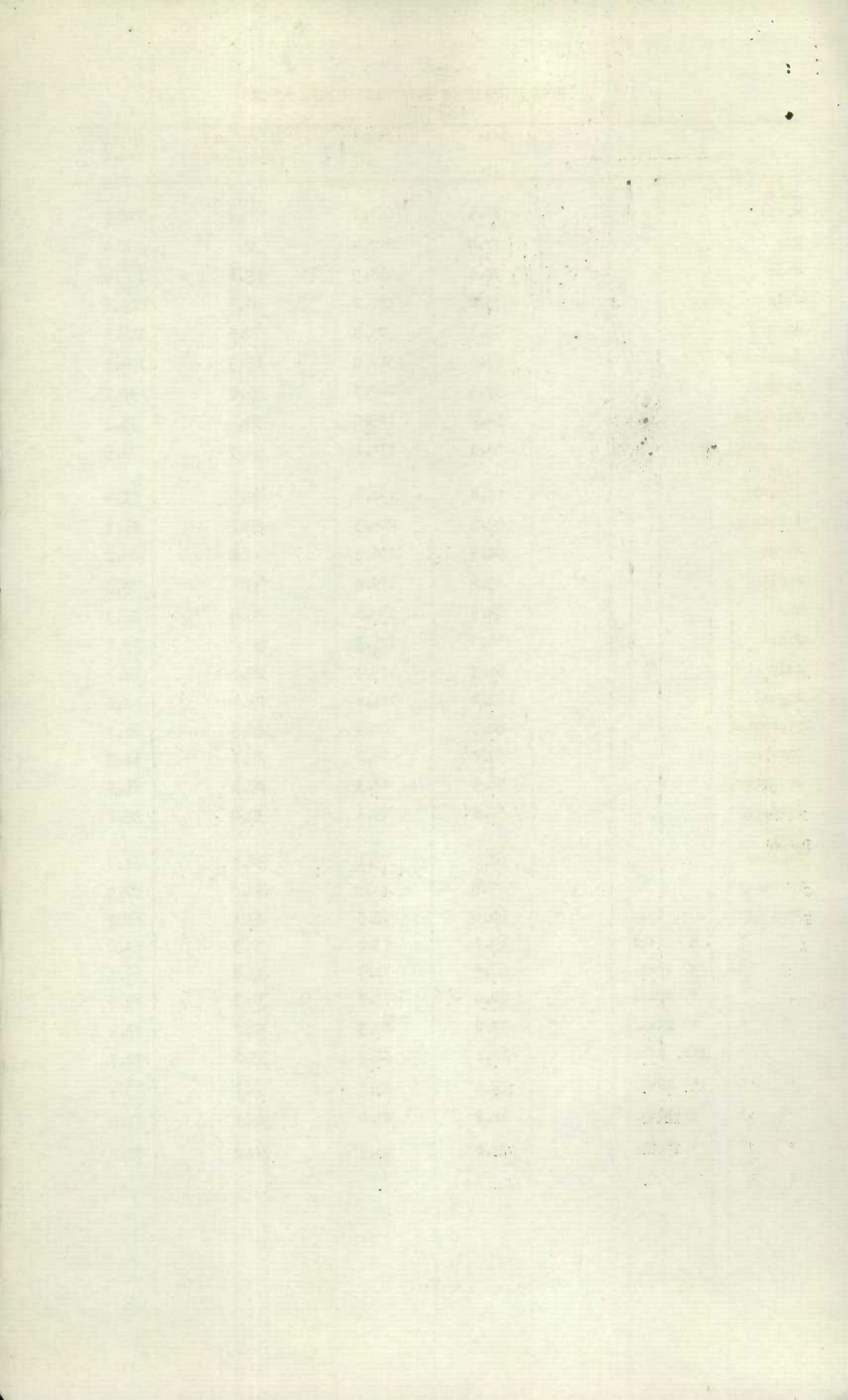
Number of Securities	General Banks			Utilities			Total	Industrial				Companies Abroad						
	Total	Total	Total	Trans- port- ation	Tele- phone Tele- graph	Power and Tract- ion		Iron & Steel & Iron & Steel Products	Pulp and Paper	Mill- ing	Oils	Tex- Files and Cloth- ing	Food and Allied Products	Bever- ages	Mis- cell- aneous	Total	In- dust- rial	Util- ity
1931	132	8	18	2	2	14	78	19	9	5	4	9	22	9	21	8	1	7
1928																		
October	168.4	142.2	144.2	137.9	118.7	159.7	201.2	267.5	99.3	190.7	228.2	114.2	159.3	183.4	243.8	168.6	134.3	217.5
November	184.2	144.6	149.2	149.6	119.2	157.3	229.3	317.5	101.1	197.5	261.5	114.3	166.6	195.8	295.6	189.1	159.5	234.2
December	183.6	147.4	149.7	149.3	120.3	158.8	237.3	328.6	97.1	208.3	246.5	114.1	182.5	184.4	336.3	185.5	151.5	235.6
1929																		
January	207.4	150.2	154.0	153.7	122.3	164.9	286.1	374.6	101.6	217.2	276.3	110.9	196.7	189.1	468.8	210.5	183.3	253.5
February	209.4	147.7	158.7	161.2	122.3	168.1	292.9	377.5	103.0	247.6	261.4	108.2	196.3	201.3	501.6	198.9	173.0	239.5
March	192.6	143.5	150.1	156.5	121.3	153.9	266.2	346.9	94.8	235.2	250.7	100.5	180.3	175.1	441.4	176.8	161.5	204.5
April	191.8	140.9	143.6	149.9	117.0	146.9	269.3	338.5	94.8	235.4	298.8	99.6	182.8	175.9	402.1	180.3	172.6	200.0
May	187.1	135.6	140.2	144.5	117.7	144.6	269.3	325.6	93.8	236.8	304.7	101.3	176.9	155.6	406.5	164.2	157.2	182.4
June	185.6	129.7	143.4	144.2	117.9	152.1	264.1	319.7	92.3	234.4	294.9	99.4	173.8	148.2	403.6	162.8	144.7	192.9
July	192.8	135.0	150.7	150.8	120.1	161.3	271.2	321.6	96.8	249.1	315.2	96.0	178.8	138.4	406.4	171.9	155.1	201.1
August	207.4	135.4	159.2	145.8	128.0	184.0	293.8	325.4	109.2	256.8	359.3	91.2	181.3	136.7	433.6	192.6	168.5	231.2
September	217.1	133.2	163.1	144.7	123.3	194.8	315.8	322.4	108.2	267.0	417.8	90.5	178.3	129.0	457.4	197.2	172.7	236.2
October	186.4	131.4	149.3	135.0	121.5	174.3	255.4	248.8	92.6	244.0	348.0	84.8	155.8	102.4	351.7	172.7	151.8	206.2
November	154.7	117.9	130.9	128.3	114.8	141.1	209.4	212.9	77.4	206.1	296.4	79.2	138.9	88.0	267.6	129.5	125.9	141.4
December	156.5	117.4	131.6	122.6	114.4	148.5	210.0	231.6	76.0	196.8	296.1	79.4	139.8	93.8	266.2	137.9	137.6	146.6
1930																		
January	155.7	120.3	133.3	123.0	115.7	151.6	209.1	232.5	63.4	174.7	286.6	78.9	140.0	85.8	287.7	130.3	131.4	136.9
February	155.3	120.4	141.0	139.9	117.5	151.6	205.5	224.8	63.3	171.9	263.0	76.2	136.9	79.2	305.2	121.0	117.8	131.6
March	157.6	118.3	137.4	132.4	115.8	151.2	210.2	221.8	64.9	156.2	270.8	72.4	132.5	77.5	317.4	133.2	128.8	145.8
April	166.5	118.6	143.7	132.7	115.3	164.9	220.9	233.5	69.9	163.6	296.5	72.3	145.3	87.4	316.4	150.7	139.8	171.4
May	152.1	117.7	133.3	127.9	113.3	147.0	196.3	221.1	62.2	158.8	265.0	72.0	142.6	88.5	266.7	139.8	128.1	160.7
June	134.7	115.2	124.2	122.5	111.6	132.3	165.4	192.1	56.1	149.7	222.0	67.3	132.9	77.9	215.4	123.8	114.6	141.2
July	132.0	113.1	122.3	117.8	111.3	132.6	162.2	193.0	52.9	138.3	217.1	68.0	125.0	77.1	213.0	119.5	113.3	133.4
August	125.1	113.3	116.0	109.2	112.6	127.0	153.1	189.1	49.4	129.3	208.6	68.2	123.1	73.3	193.8	110.4	112.0	115.2
September	130.8	117.6	123.1	112.4	114.2	139.3	160.1	186.8	45.3	120.7	226.3	72.9	122.3	72.1	204.2	112.2	110.2	121.1
October	111.3	113.3	112.7	107.6	111.3	121.6	129.2	146.8	30.6	109.0	185.1	64.5	108.8	63.3	161.7	86.6	89.3	88.8
November	109.6	109.3	109.5	105.7	110.1	116.6	129.0	145.9	27.2	107.3	190.0	62.7	104.9	61.1	160.0	85.8	88.6	87.7
December	103.1	108.2	104.7	96.7	108.2	115.6	120.3	142.2	25.0	112.3	178.9	65.0	105.0	59.2	141.2	76.1	80.6	75.6
1931																		
January	106.9	109.1	107.3	102.2	106.7	115.6	124.7	143.7	23.8	107.6	190.8	65.9	112.8	69.3	141.0	83.6	90.9	80.5
February	111.6	110.1	114.9	109.4	111.6	124.2	129.3	149.5	22.8	102.1	184.5	65.5	123.4	75.1	159.6	84.9	85.3	89.2

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INDEX NUMBERS OF SEVENTEEN MINING STOCKS
1926=100

	Gold 11	Copper 2	Silver and Miscellaneous 4	Total Index 17
<u>1929</u>				
April	82.9	257.2	75.4	112.7
May	77.4	272.4	72.7	108.9
June	72.1	267.5	69.8	103.9
July	73.2	298.2	69.4	109.6
August	74.1	325.9	70.5	114.8
September	63.6	317.0	65.3	104.8
October	59.3	247.8	59.8	90.1
November	54.2	185.0	55.0	75.7
December	54.3	178.1	51.3	74.5
<u>1930</u>				
January	57.4	191.4	49.6	78.9
February	62.9	209.3	50.1	86.1
March	62.5	206.3	47.8	85.2
April	63.6	189.8	43.5	83.3
May	64.5	144.6	35.8	76.3
June	64.3	126.3	32.2	73.1
July	61.3	115.3	28.1	68.7
August	61.2	111.6	29.4	68.0
September	62.6	108.4	28.5	68.7
October	59.7	76.2	25.1	61.3
November	56.9	83.3	28.3	60.5
December	57.8	69.1	30.0	59.2
<u>1931</u>				
January	68.1	75.1	32.8	68.4
February	72.0	84.0	34.8	72.9
Week ending Jan. 1st.	60.6	65.5	29.1	60.8
" " " 8th.	63.7	73.0	32.3	64.6
" " " 15th.	66.5	71.9	33.8	66.7
" " " 22nd.	70.0	75.2	32.3	69.9
" " " 29th.	72.2	80.3	32.7	72.4
" " Feb. 5th.	72.1	82.7	33.2	72.7
" " " 12th.	72.6	83.7	34.7	73.4
" " " 19th.	72.2	83.0	35.1	73.0
" " " 26th.	71.0	86.5	36.2	72.7



WEEKLY AVERAGE PRICES OF 17 MINING STOCKS

December 1930 to February 1931.

	D E C E M B E R				J A N U A R Y				F E B R U A R Y				
	4th	11th	18th	25th	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th	5th	12th	19th	26th
<u>Gold Group</u>													
Premier	.79	.76	.70	.60	.68	.68	.72	.71	.73	.72	.71	.72	.72
Coniaurum	.36	.35	.35	.35	.35	.35	.35	.50	.60	.59	.51	.52	.50
Dome	8.36	8.58	8.49	8.71	8.91	9.34	9.58	10.30	10.27	10.21	11.02	10.90	10.75
Hollinger	6.11	6.28	5.97	6.08	6.22	6.42	7.32	8.11	8.21	8.34	8.45	8.33	8.13
McIntyre	17.71	18.35	18.18	18.56	19.49	21.61	22.10	22.38	23.23	22.45	22.87	22.76	22.38
Vipond Consolidated	.66	.89	.86	.85	.91	1.01	1.10	1.12	1.17	1.13	1.12	1.11	1.07
Kirkland Lake	.46	.42	.40	.47	.51	.61	.67	.72	.75	.73	.71	.70	.66
Lake Shore	21.39	21.43	21.05	21.71	23.36	24.03	24.54	25.07	26.00	26.06	26.25	26.31	25.83
Sylvanite	.54	.50	.44	.42	.47	.53	.56	.62	.69	.69	.69	.69	.64
Tock-Hughes	5.61	5.65	5.44	5.65	6.05	6.37	6.46	6.53	7.09	7.08	7.03	6.97	6.95
Wright-Margreaves	1.67	1.67	1.66	1.68	1.81	2.04	2.02	2.12	2.24	2.23	2.20	2.23	2.22
<u>Gold-Copper Group</u>													
Amulet	.32	.31	.27	.26	.30	.32	.34	.32	.34	.34	.33	.34	.37
Noranda	16.96	14.34	12.83	13.57	13.88	15.07	14.83	15.58	16.64	17.17	17.41	17.25	17.98
<u>Silver and Miscellaneous</u>													
Beaver	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Nipissing	1.23	1.26	1.16	1.15	1.19	1.20	1.25	1.27	1.29	1.45	1.45	1.52	1.55
Coniagas	.80	.80	.80	.80	.53	.55	.50	.51	.51	.51	.65	.65	.65
Mining Corporation	1.51	1.54	1.34	1.32	1.42	1.82	2.00	1.80	1.85	1.81	1.95	1.96	2.09

INDEX NUMBERS OF INTEREST RATES IN CANADA
(1926=100)

The index numbers of Interest Rates calculated from the yields of the most popular Ontario Bonds on the basis 1926=100 remained unchanged at 95.0 for February. The index is based on information received from Messrs. Wood, Gundy and Company Limited, showing the yield on these bonds to be on a 4.55% basis for February.

Index Numbers of Interest Rates in Canada Calculated
From Yields of Ontario Bonds, 1900-1931.

Base 1926=100

	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904	1905	1906				
January	73.1	77.9	79.3	78.5	78.5	78.5	76.2				
April	74.1	78.5	79.3	78.5	78.5	75.2	76.2				
June	75.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	74.1	76.2				
October	77.2	78.7	79.3	78.5	79.3	75.2	76.8				
December	77.7	79.3	78.5	78.5	78.3	76.2	77.2				
	1907	1908	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913				
January	78.3	83.7	82.5	81.4	83.5	83.5	83.7				
April	81.4	87.7	81.4	82.5	81.0	85.6	89.8				
June	85.6	86.6	80.4	82.5	81.0	86.6	90.8				
October	87.7	85.6	80.4	82.5	81.4	87.7	91.9				
December	88.7	83.5	81.4	83.5	83.5	88.7	91.9				
	1914	1915	1916	1917	1918	1919	1920				
January	91.9	88.7	109.6	100.2	125.3	121.1	120.0				
April	90.8	91.9	110.6	109.6	125.3	116.9	121.1				
June	88.7	93.9	109.6	114.8	126.3	112.7	125.3				
October	88.7	104.4	104.4	123.2	125.3	116.9	129.4				
December	88.7	109.6	102.3	125.3	125.3	120.0	128.4				
	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931
January	125.3	116.9	112.7	106.5	99.2	100.2	97.1	89.8	97.1	102.3	95.0
February	125.3	114.8	110.6	106.1	100.2	100.2	97.1	87.7	98.1	102.3	95.0
March	125.3	113.8	109.6	106.1	100.2	100.2	96.0	88.7	101.3	101.3	
April	125.3	112.7	107.5	106.1	100.2	100.2	95.2	88.7	103.3	101.3	
May	126.3	112.7	107.5	106.1	99.2	100.2	95.0	90.8	104.4	101.3	
June	126.3	112.7	107.5	105.8	99.2	100.2	95.0	91.9	103.3	100.8	
July	128.4	112.7	107.5	103.5	99.2	100.2	95.0	93.9	103.3	100.2	
August	128.4	112.7	107.5	99.2	99.2	100.2	95.0	96.0	102.3	96.0	
September	127.3	111.7	107.5	99.2	99.2	100.2	95.0	96.0	104.4	92.9	
October	126.3	111.7	107.9	100.2	100.2	100.2	93.9	95.0	103.3	93.9	
November	119.4	112.7	107.3	99.2	100.2	99.2	93.3	95.0	103.3	93.9	
December	119.4	113.2	107.3	99.2	100.2	99.2	90.8	96.0	102.3	93.9	

AVERAGE MONTHLY QUOTATIONS FOR STERLING AND
NEW YORK FUNDS AT MONTREAL, 1928-1931

	Sterling Exchange Montreal	New York Funds Montreal
<u>1928</u>		
January	4.87954	1.0017
February	4.87908	1.0018
March	4.8758	.99983
April	4.87349	.99974
May	4.88220	1.00088
June	4.88748	1.0023
July	4.86925	1.0020
August	4.84795	.99369
September	4.8434	.99959
October	4.8454	1.00026
November	4.8411	.99810
December	4.85738	1.00274
Average	4.86517	1.00017
<u>1929</u>		
January	4.85701	1.00269
February	4.86539	1.0038
March	4.87705	1.00597
April	4.88555	1.0076
May	4.87914	1.0068
June	4.88418	1.0083
July	4.86971	1.0049
August	4.87039	1.0056
September	4.87949	1.0076
October	4.92085	1.0144
November	4.94980	1.0157
December	4.9212	1.0078
Average	4.88831	1.0076
<u>1930</u>		
January	4.9184	1.01345
February	4.8931	1.00599
March	4.8706	1.00209
April	4.8637	1.00043
May	4.8655	1.00172
June	4.8563	1.000
July	4.85397	.99914
August	4.8638	.99901
September	4.8532	.99838
October	4.8528	.99889
November	4.8499	.99891
December	4.8597	1.0023
Average	4.86562	1.0049
<u>1931</u>		
January	4.86275	1.0020
February	4.85764	1.0002

MONTHLY INDEXES OF AMERICAN STOCK PRICES

Issued by the Standard Statistics Company Inc. of New York
1926 = 100

	Total 404 Stocks	Industrials 337 Stocks	Railroads 33 Stocks	Utilities 34 Stocks
<u>1928</u>				
January	134.4	137.4	125.3	129.5
February	132.3	134.8	121.6	130.9
March	137.9	141.1	125.9	134.4
April	145.9	149.5	130.7	142.5
May	152.1	154.9	133.2	155.3
June	145.5	148.2	126.7	148.1
July	144.2	147.8	124.6	145.3
August	148.3	152.6	126.5	147.9
September	156.6	162.2	129.6	155.8
October	159.1	166.2	128.2	154.5
November	171.1	178.9	134.9	168.6
December	171.4	178.4	134.9	173.4
<u>1929</u>				
January	185.2	192.5	141.8	192.7
February	186.5	192.3	141.6	202.4
March	189.1	196.0	140.4	203.7
April	186.6	193.4	138.3	201.4
May	187.7	192.6	138.7	212.3
June	190.7	191.0	144.8	233.0
July	207.2	202.7	160.0	272.8
August	218.1	210.3	165.4	304.3
September	225.3	216.1	168.1	321.0
October	201.7	194.4	157.0	276.6
November	151.1	144.8	135.1	194.4
December	153.8	146.9	136.3	200.9
<u>1930</u>				
January	156.3	148.8	136.5	208.7
February	165.5	155.9	142.5	230.6
March	172.4	163.0	143.2	242.1
April	181.0	170.8	141.7	263.7
May	170.5	160.1	136.0	250.0
June	152.8	143.1	124.5	223.5
July	149.3	139.8	124.2	215.4
August	147.6	138.7	121.2	212.7
September	148.8	139.3	122.6	216.4
October	127.6	117.8	110.9	187.0
November	116.7	108.5	102.1	167.4
December	109.4	101.9	93.5	157.9
<u>1931</u>				
January	112.3	103.4	100.4	163.4
February	119.8	110.3	104.7	177.9

WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, JANUARY, 1931.

WHOLESALE

Index numbers of wholesale prices for January did not quite maintain the rate of decline indicated by December indexes, but the movement downward persisted steadily as the table appended below clearly shows. The most noteworthy losses were recorded by indexes for the United Kingdom, Germany, United States, Canada, and Japan.

The only group of the Board of Trade index for the United Kingdom to advance was that for coal. Substantial decreases occurred in cereals, meats and fish, metals, minerals other than iron and steel, wool, and other textiles. It is of interest to note that the January index of 106.9 would be reduced to 103.5 if foods were eliminated.

The decline of the Statistique Generale index for France was again entirely due to lower prices for imported products, domestic products having scored a minor advance for the month.

The Federal Statistical Office series for Germany moved considerably lower due to a well distributed series of group reductions. Metals, textiles, rubber, building materials, hides and skins, and animal foods were all several points lower. Vegetable foods and coal advanced slightly.

Declines in United States wholesale series were well spread over practically all commodity groups and proved sufficient to maintain the substantial rate of recession apparent in recent months.

COMPARATIVE WHOLESALE PRICES DATA FOR JANUARY, 1931,
DECEMBER, 1930, AND JANUARY, 1930.

Country	Jan. 1931	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1930	January, 1931, or Compared with		Index
				Dec. 1930	Jan. 1930	
United Kingdom	106.9	108.9	131.0	- 1.8	-18.4	Board of Trade, 1913=100
France	494	498	576	- 0.8	-14.2	Statistique Generale, July 1914=100
Germany	115.2	117.8	132.3	- 2.2	-12.9	Federal Statistical Office, 1913=100
Belgium	661	679	808	- 2.7	-18.2	Ministry of Industry and Labour, April 1914=100
Norway	135	136	150	- 0.7	-10.0	Official, 1913=100
Finland	86	86	94	unchanged	- 8.5	Official, 1926=100
Estonia	94	96	110	- 2.1	-14.6	Official, 1913=100
Austria	105	107	125	- 1.9	-16.0	Federal Statistical Office, Jan.-July, 1914=100
Hungary	91	90	106	- 1.1	-14.2	Official, 1913=100
Switzerland	115.0	117.0	135.6	- 1.7	-15.2	Official, July 1914=100
Canada	76.7	77.8	95.6	- 1.4	-19.8	Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 1926=100
United States	77.7	79.6	93.3	- 2.4	-16.7	Irving Fisher, 1926=100
Japan	119.8	121.5	152.2	- 1.4	-21.3	Bank of Japan, 1913=100

WORLD PRICE MOVEMENTS, JANUARY, 1931

COST OF LIVING

Living cost indexes shown in the accompanying table as may be seen, have continued to drop in most cases. The Japan index quoted is only for foods, and therefore the advance noted in this case cannot be taken to indicate the general movement of living costs.

Declines in the food group for meats, flour, and eggs were mainly responsible for the drop in the Ministry of Labour index for the United Kingdom.

The German cost of living index was influenced in its fall by lower quotations in the foods, heat and light, clothing and miscellaneous groups. Rents were shown as slightly higher. Changes in the living costs ^{index} have not indicated that the special effort of the government to reduce general living expenses for wage earners has met with any marked success. Food and clothing indexes, however, have fallen considerably in the past few months. Food was 133.5 in January as against 139.5 in October, while clothing fell from 158.6 to 146.4 within this interval.

The rate of decline shown by the National Industrial Conference Board index for the United States has been considerably accelerated in the past two months. All groups with the exception of fuel and lighting have moved lower. The drop in foods has been especially noticeable, amounting to roughly 3 p.c. in each month.

COMPARATIVE COST OF LIVING DATA FOR JANUARY, 1931,
DECEMBER, 1930, AND JANUARY, 1930.

Country	Jan. 1931	Dec. 1930	Jan. 1930	January, 1931, or- Compared with		Index
				Dec. 1930	Jan. 1930	
United Kingdom	152	153	164	- 0.7	- 7.3	Ministry of Labour, July 1914=100
France	132	132	124	unchanged	+ 6.4	13 Articles, 11 Foods, Paris, July 1914=100
Germany	140.4	141.6	151.6	- 0.9	- 7.4	Cost of Living, 72 Towns, 1913-1914=100
Belgium	846	859	895	- 1.5	- 5.5	Cost of Living, 59 Localities, April 1914=100
Norway	171	172	178	- 0.6	- 3.9	Cost of Living, July, 1914=100
Sweden	161	-	167	-	- 3.6	Cost of Living, July, 1914=100
Finland	139	141	154	- 1.4	- 9.8	Cost of Living, 21 Towns, Jan.-June, 1914=100
Austria	106	108	113	- 1.9	- 6.2	Cost of Living, Vienna, July 1914=100
Hungary	99	99	112	unchanged	-11.6	Cost of Living, Budapest, 1913=100
Switzerland	156	156	161	unchanged	- 3.1	Cost of Living, June, 1914=100
Canada	95.8	96.6	102.2	- 0.8	- 6.3	Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 1926=100
United States	145.2 ^x	147.6	160.4	- 1.6	- 9.5	National Industrial Conference Board, July 1914=100
Japan	153	152	194	+ 0.6	-21.1	Tokio, Foods, July, 1914=100

x Calculated from new index.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

Authority	CANADA						UNITED STATES							
	General Index		Con- sumers' Goods	Pro- ducers' Goods	Raw or partly Mfg. Goods	Fully or chiefly Mfg. Goods	Irving Fisher	Bureau of Labour Statistics	Bradstreet	Dun	Analyst			
No. of Commodities	502	236	204	351	232	276		200	550	106	200	72 Series		
Base	1926	1913	1926	1926	1926	1926	1913	1926	1926	1913	1913	1913		
1913	64.0	100	61.9	67.4			100	66.2x	69.8	9.2115	100	120.887	100	
1914	65.5	102.3	62.7	69.7	61.6	67.4		65.0	68.1	8.9034	97	122.211	101	
1918	127.4	199.0	107.4	131.5	103.8	123.2		128.7	131.3	18.7117	203	229.220	190	
1919	133.9	209.2	118.7	139.0	105.3	121.7		136.7	138.6	18.6642	203	230.846	190	
1920	155.9	243.5	140.0	163.1	125.2	142.6		149.8	154.4	18.8095	204	248.721	205	
1921	110.0	171.8	108.0	112.8	111.5	123.3		97.3	97.6	11.3696	123	170.451	141	
1922	97.3	152.0	95.1	99.1	103.4	108.8		98.6	96.7	12.1185	132	171.660	144	
1923	98.0	153.0	93.7	97.8	105.5	107.4	158	101.1	100.6	13.4028	146	189.787	157	
1924	99.4	155.2	93.2	99.5	101.7	107.0	149	98.9	98.1	12.8672	139	189.322	157	
1925	102.6	160.3	97.2	104.9	101.8	101.6	159	105.2	103.5	13.9445	151	197.694	164	
1926	100.0	156.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	151	100.0	100.0	13.0207	141	189.398	157	
1927	97.6	152.5	95.9	98.5	100.0	96.6	142	94.2	95.4	12.7787	139	187.092	155	
1928	96.4	150.6	95.7	96.6	97.5	95.0	149	97.9	97.7	13.2823	144	194.521	161	
1929	95.6	149.3	94.7	96.3	97.4	93.0	146	98.5	96.5	12.6727	138	191.043	158	
1930	86.9	135.7						86.3				144		
1930										(a)	(a)	(a)		
February	94.0	146.8	95.0	92.2	93.9	92.5	140	92.7	92.1	11.5141	125	184.426	153	137.4
March	91.9	143.6	93.5	89.7	89.7	91.6	137	90.8	90.8	11.2235	122	180.939	150	134.0
April	91.7	143.2	92.6	89.0	90.3	90.3	137	90.6	90.7	11.1833	121	179.294	148	133.6
May	89.9	140.4	91.3	87.1	88.6	89.1	134	83.6	89.1	10.9393	119	177.736	147	132.1
June	88.0	137.4	89.8	85.0	87.1	87.6	131	86.4	86.8	10.7741	117	176.240	146	128.5
July	85.8	134.0	88.1	81.7	80.6	86.4	127	83.7	84.0	10.5611	115	171.598	142	123.0
August	84.1	131.4	86.6	80.0	77.3	85.8	126	83.2	84.0	10.4495	113	169.352	140	122.8
September	82.5	128.8	86.4	76.8	74.4	84.9	126	83.3	84.2	10.4253	113	170.924	141	123.4
October	81.4	127.1	86.4	74.7	73.6	84.1	125	82.6	82.6	10.2998	112	166.209	139	121.7
November	79.8	124.6	84.5	73.4	70.5	82.8	123	81.4	80.4	10.0573	109	165.188	137	118.7
December	77.8	121.5	83.1	71.4	67.4	81.4	120	79.6	78.4	9.8352	107	163.020	135	116.6
1931														
January	76.7	119.8	81.7	70.3	66.6	79.9	117	77.7		9.5082	103	159.719	132	114.8
February	76.0	118.7	80.8	69.9	66.0	79.4	115	76.1		9.3087	101	156.039	129	111.1

(a) First of Month.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES										
COUNTRY	SOUTH AMERICA		EUROPE					FRANCE		GERMANY
	CHILE	PERU	Board of Trade	ECONOMIST		STATIST	TIMES	Statistique General	Statistique General	Federal Statistical Office
No. of Commodities			150		58	45	60	45	45	400
Base Period	1913	1913	1913	1913	1927	1866-77	1913	July, 1914	1913	1913
Date										
1913	100	100	100	100		100(a)	100		100	100
1914									102.0	106
1918		212				226.5		100	339.2	217
1919		220				241.9			356.2	415
1920		239	307.3			295.3	328	506	509.4	1486
1921		205	197.2			182.4	189	337	345.0	1911
1922		190	158.3			154.1	158	332	326.6	34182
1923		189	158.9			151.8	162	431	418.9	x16620
1924		192	166.2	166.2	115.7	164.6	171	499	488.5	137.3 (c)
1925		202	159.1	160.9	112.0	159.5	161	561	549.8	141.8
1926		203	148.1	149.4	104.0	149.6	150	718	702.6	134.4
1927		203	141.4	143.7	100.0	144.2	143	630	617.2	137.6
1928	192.5	192	140.3	140.9	98.1	141.9	141	634	619.6	140.0
1929	192.4	186	136.5	132.8	92.4	134.4	134	623	610.4	137.2
1930						(d)				
1930										
January	181.0	181	131.0	123.7	86.1	125.4	125.8	576	563.5	132.3
February	178.2	181	127.8	121.0	84.2	123.3	121.8	576	564.4	129.3
March	176.0	180	124.5	119.4	83.1	121.2	120.8	565	552.8	126.4
April	174.4	179	123.7	117.2	81.6	119.4	118.9	560	548.4	126.7
May	171.0	179	122.0	115.8	80.6	116.2	116.3	553	541.5	125.7
June	164.9	178	120.7	113.2	78.6	112.7	115.1	544	532.7	124.5
July	166.1	177	119.2	111.5	77.6	111.1	114.5	549	537.6	125.1
August	163.5	175	117.8	109.3	76.1	108.5	112.5	543	531.7	124.7
September	162.9	178	115.5	105.1	73.2	106.8	109.7	535	523.9	122.8
October	159.0	177	113.0	104.0	72.4	106.4	109.4	519	508.2	120.2
November	153.9	175	112.0	101.9	70.9	104.2	105.8	504	493.5	120.1
December		173	108.9	98.7	68.7	102.2	103.2	498	487.6	117.8
1931										
January		175	106.9	95.2	66.3	100.8	100.4	494	483.7	115.2

(a) Converted to 1913 base. (c) New Series. (x) 000,000,000's omitted. (d) End of Month.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

COUNTRY	AUSTRIA	SWITZERLAND	BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	NORWAY	SWEDEN	DENMARK	ALBANIA	SPAIN		
Authority	Federal Statistical Office	Official	Ministry of In- dustry and Labour	Central Bureau of Statistics	Okonomisk Revue	Official	Gotabergs Handels Tidning	Commerce Department	Official	Official	Dir. General of Statistics
Number of Commodities	47x	71	130	48	100	95	47	160	118	23	74
Base Period	January July, 1914	July 1914	April 1914	1913	Dec. 31-13 June 30-14	1913	July 1-13 June 30-14	1913	1913	1927	1913
Date											
1913				100	100	100	100	100			100
1914	100	100	100	109	115		116				101
1918				376	345		339				207
1919				304	322		330				204
1920				292	382		347	359			221
1921	(a)	191.2	366(b)	182	298		211	222			190
1922	99	167.5	367	160	233		162	173			176
1923	124	180.5	497	151	233	232	157	163			172
1924	136	174.6	573	156	269	268	155	162			183
1925	136	161.6	558	155	251	253	157	161	210		188
1926	123	144.5	744	145	196	198	144	149	163		181
1927	133	142.2	847	148	160	167	141	146	153	100	172
1928	130	144.6	843	149	155	161	144	148	153	104	167
1929	130	141.2	851	142	148	153	134	140	150	100	172
1930	117	126.5	744	117		143		122	130	88	
1930	(d)	(e)									
January	125	135.6	808	131	144	150	126	131	143	91	172
February	123	133.1	791	126	143	147	123	128	140	89	173
March	121	131.0	774	122	142	146	118	125	136	87	173
April	119	129.4	777	122	141	145	118	124	135	87	172
May	118	128.1	774	118	140	144	115	123	132	85	168
June	121	126.2	750	118	139	143	113	123	130	84	166
July	119	125.8	739	115	138	142	114	121	129	86	170
August	118	125.8	729	114	137	141	113	121	128	87	173
September	115	123.0	712	112	135	141	112	119	126	92	174
October	112	122.4	705	111	132	140	109	118	125	87	175
November	110	119.6	693	110	131	139	109	117	122	90	175
December	107	117.0	679	107		136		117	120	90	
1931											
January	105	115.0	661			135					

(a) Since January 1925. Schilling Prices. xPrice Index No. of Commodities changed from 42 to 47. (b) Average of 5 months.

(d) Fifteenth of month. (New Series Federal Labour Department - 78 articles.)

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COUNTRY	E U R O P E									
	ITALY	FINLAND		POLAND		RUSSIA	ESTONIA	BULGARIA	HUNGARY	CZECHO SLOVAKIA
	Bachi	Milan Chamber of Commerce	Bank of Finland	Official	Commerce Reports	Official	Official	National Bank	Official	General Bureau of Statistics
No. of Commodities	100	125	Imports Exports	139	73	70				126
	1913	1913	1913	1926	Jan. 1914	1913	1913	1914	1913	July 1914
Date	(b)									
1913	100	100	100	100		100	100		100	
1914			106	103	100			100		100
1918			741	415						
1919			755	441						
1920			1387	1053						
1921	531	517#	1329	1213						
1922	508	529	1072	1180	72.8	96	113			1334
1923	512	536	915	1145	85.9	169x	114		122	977
1924	512	554	958	1090	109.8	172	116	2688	138	997
1925	596	646	1052	1111	125.4	183	124	3052	140	1008
1926	603	654	984	1092	100(d)	(c) 181.2	114	2781	124	954
1927	495	527	945	1092	101	118.6	114	2819	132	979
1928	462	491	955	1092	102	119.8	121	3072	135	977
1929	446	481	913	1060	98	113.4	117	131	121	916
1930	383	411			90	97.6	102		96	119
1930					(e)	(f)		(h)	(g)	(f)
January	417	453	833	998	94	104.5	186	127	106	124.2 (d)
February	408	445	853	985	93	100.6	187	123	104	121.5
March	400	437	855	975	92	100.7	187	112	100	121.0
April	396	429	842	967	92	100.7	188	112	96	120.2
May	390	420	830	980	90	98.7	187	108	96	119.1
June	382	412	816	997	90	98.5	189	103	94	119.7
July	375	402	804	1009	90	99.3	188	101	99	118.1
August	379	403	795	1011	89	96.9	187	101	93	115.1
September	375	398	786	1012	88	94.3	187	98	92	113.3
October	364	387	772	1006	86	92.9	187	97	94	112.7
November	361	379	755	999	87	93.5	98	95	92	111.1
December	350	370	750	993	86	90.8	96		90	110.0
1931										
January					86		94		91	

(x) End of Year. (b) Revised Index. (c) New Series, 1926, recalculated on the basis of the new zloty as from October. (d) Gold Index.

Average of eight months. (e) Average last week of month. (f) First of the following month. (g) Since Jan. 1929, new index.

(h) Since Nov. 1928. Gold Index.

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ASIA					OCEANIA		AFRICA		
COUNTRY	INDIA		CHINA	JAPAN	COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA	NEW SOUTH WALES	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
AUTHORITY	Sept. of Statistics Calcutta	Labour Office Bombay	Bureau of Markets Shanghai	Bank of Japan	Commonwealth Statistician		Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Dept. of Statistics (Cairo)
No. of Commodities	75	43	147	56	92	100	180	188	23
Base Period	July 1914	July 1914	February 1913	October 1899	1911	1911	1909-1913	1910	Jan. 1, 1913- July 31, 1914.
Date									
1913			100	100 (a)	100 (a)	100 (a)	1000 (a)	100 (a)	100
1914	100	100		95.6	105.6	104.1	1041	96.9	211
1918	178	236		195.8	177.8	177.0	1685	153.1	231
1919	196	222		235.9	188.9	191.4	1761	164.8	316
1920	201	226	152.0	259.4	277.9	229.2	2067	223.3	173
1921	178	199	150.2	200.4	174.9	179.1	1919	160.4	146
1922	176	187	145.5	195.8	161.6	164.8	1645	128.4	132
1923	172	181	156.4	199.1	178.7	176.3	1575	126.6	143
1924	173	182	153.9	206.5	173.3	171.6	1648	128.7	152
1925	159	163	159.4	201.7	169.5	170.1	1609	127.6	132
1926	148	149	164.1	178.9	168.4	167.9	1536	123.3	121
1927	148	147	170.4	169.8	167.0	168.6	1461	124.2	120
1928	145	146	160.7	170.9	164.7	163.4	1474	120.7	115
1929	141	145	163.7	166.2	165.7		1471	115.1	103
1930	(b)		(c)		146.8		(d)		
1930									
January	131	139	169.6	152.2	158.0	168.9	1470	107.3	109
February	126	137	174.7	151.0	153.8	163.3	1464		106
March	125	137	173.9	148.1	151.4	161.3	1462		101
April	123	134	174.2	147.2	152.8	159.1	1459	104.0	101
May	121	130	173.4	143.2	154.7	159.4	1457		101
June	116	127	185.9	138.5	152.3	157.6	1447		100
July	115	124	190.1	133.5	151.1	157.4	1441	99.6	102
August	114	124	189.4	132.7	148.9	156.2	1456		104
September	111	120	187.5	129.6	140.8	147.7	1439		104
October	108	117	182.3	124.4	135.9		1419	99.4	105
November	104		177.7	122.5	132.1		1405		105
December	101		177.7	121.5	129.3		1405		102
1931									
January				119.8					

(a) Converted to 1913 base. (b) End of Month. (c) Last Wednesday of Month. (d) Fifteenth of Month.

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COUNTRY	CANADA		UNITED STATES		GREAT BRITAIN		FRANCE		BELGIUM	HOLLAND	
Nature of Index	Dominion Bureau of Stat. Foods	General Retail Index (Foods, fuel, Clothing, Rent Sundries.)	Foods Bureau of Labor Statistics	National Industrial Conference Board Cost of Living	Food	Cost of Living	Foods Cities of more than 10,000 Inhabitants	Articles 13 Foods 11 Paris	Cost of Living 56 items 59 localities	Foods 10 Towns	
Base Period	1926	1926	1913	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1st. half of 1914	April 1914	1921-1925
1913	(3)	(3)	100								
1914	68.9	66.0	102.4					100	100		
1914 July				100 July	100	100	100				
1918	114.6	97.4	168.3	152.2 "	218	210	245 Aug.	206 July			
1919	122.5	107.2	185.9	172.2 "	217	215	290 "	261 "	238 (1)		
1920	141.1	124.2	203.4	204.5 "	262	255	350 "	373 "	341	455	
1921	107.9	109.2	153.3	163.1 "	226	222	352 "	306 "	307	392	
1922	91.4	100.0	141.6	155.6 "	175	181	313 "	297 "	302 June	374	102
1923	92.1	100.0	146.2	161.9 "	165	171	351 "	321 "	334 "	428	93
1924	90.7	98.0	145.9	161.7 "	164	171	401 "	360 "	366 "	501	94
1925	94.7	99.3	157.4	168.7 "	168	173	451 "	221 "	390 "	518	95
1926	100.0	100.0	160.6	166.0 "	161	170	610 "	574 "	485 "	618	91
1927	98.1	98.5	155.4	162.2 "	156	164	553 "	557 "	525 "	786	89
1928	98.6	98.9	154.3	161.9 "	156	165	109 "(2)	111 "(2)	105 "(2)	819	91
1929	101.0	100.0	156.7	161.4 "	153	163	118 "	123 "	113	875	90
1930	98.5	99.6			144	157	127	122	116	874	
1930											
February	106.0	101.9	153.0	158.8	150	161	583 118	598 121		890	87
March	104.0	101.5	150.1	157.4	143	157		591 120	565 115	879	85
April	101.1	100.4	151.2	157.5	140	155		586 119		870	84
May	100.7	100.2	150.1	156.2	138	154	569 116	590 120		867	83
June	100.4	100.1	147.9	154.8	141	155		593 120	572 116	866	82
July	98.5	99.6	144.0	152.4	144	157		601 122		869	82
August	96.3	98.9	143.7	151.6	144	157	623 127	626 127		872	82
September	93.1	97.3	145.6	152.9	143	156		637 129	592 120	874	82
October	92.8	97.0	144.4	151.9	144	157		637 129		875	82
November	92.6	96.9	141.4	150.0 (4)	141	155	650 132	647 131		872	81
December	91.5	96.6	137.2	147.6 92.5	138	153		649 132	597 121	859	
1931											
January	89.1	95.2		91.0	136	152		649 132		846	
February	85.6	94.1									

(1) First half of year. (2) Since date of stabilization, gold index. (3) Recalculated on 1926 base. (4) New index, 1923=100.
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COUNTRY	NORWAY		SWEDEN		GERMANY		AUSTRIA		SPAIN	ITALY	SWITZERLAND	ROMANIA
Nature of Index	Food 30 Towns	Cost of Living	Cost of Living	51 Articles (44 Foods 49 Towns)	Cost of Living 72 Towns	Food 72 Towns	Cost of Living Vienna	Food Vienna	Food Madrid	Cost of Living	Cost of Living (Official) Federal Labour	Cost of Living 71 Towns
Base Period	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1913 1914	Oct. 1913 July 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1914	Jan.-June 30, 1914	June 1914	1914
Date								(4)	(6)			
1913												
1914					100	100		100	100	100	100	100
1914 July	100	100	100	100			100					
1918 "	271	253	219	261			1162		154	286	204	
1919 "	290	275	257	210			2490		174	280	222	
1920 "	319	307	270	297	1065		5100		190	441	224	(6)
1921 "	292	294	236	232	1250		9972	(5) 57900	189	494	200	1.305
1922 "	233	251	190	179	5392		263700	328236	181	488	164	1.633
1923 "	218	238	174	160	3765100	(1)	(2) 76	1291100	177	487	164	2.400
1924 "	248	249	171	159	126	131.6	86	1436200	184	512	169	2.660
1925 "	260	259	176	169	143.3	153.8	97		189	598	168	3.180
1926 "	198	220	172	156	142.4	145.3	103	115	187	649	162	3.390
1927 "	175	203	169	151	150.0	156.8	106	122	189	548	160	3.900
1928 "	173	193	172	157	152.6	154.1	108	119	176	143 (3)	161	4.086
1929 "	157	180	169	151	154.4	155.7	112	123	181	148	161	131.4
1930 "	151	175	164	140	(1)	145.9		119		145	158	(3)
1930												
January	156	178	167	145	151.6	150.2	113	123	182	150	161	131.8
February	154	177		144	150.3	147.5	112	120	182	148	160	131.8
March	152	176		142	148.7	145.1	111	119	186	147	159	131.4
April	152	175	165	140	147.4	142.8	111	118	186	146	158	131.1
May	151	175		140	146.7	141.7	111	117	178	144	158	131.0
June	151	175		140	147.6	142.7	113	121	177	145	158	130.9
July	151	175	164	140	149.3	145.9	112	119	180	145	159	130.7
August	151	175		139	148.8	145.3	113	119	186	144	159	130.7
September	151	174		139	146.9	141.7	110	116	193	143	159	130.5
October	150	174	163	137	145.4	139.5	110	114	192	143	158	130.5
November	149	173		136	143.5	137.5	110	114	196	143	157	129.6
December	147	172		134	141.6	134.8	108	111		141	156	125.6
1931												
January	145	171	161		140.4	133.5	106	109			156	

(1) Gold Mark Prices. (2) Gold Index since 1926 new series. (3) Since date of stabilization gold index. (4) Since 1926 new index. (5) December. (6) Yearly average.

INDEX NUMBERS OF COST OF LIVING AND RETAIL PRICES OF FOOD IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES

	BULGARIA		HUNGARY		FINLAND		POLAND		JAPAN		AUSTRALIA	NEW ZEALAND	SOUTH AFRICA	EGYPT
Nature of Index	Cost of Living 12 Towns	Food 12 Towns	Cost of Living Budapest	Food Budapest	Cost of Living 21 Towns	Food 21 Towns	Cost of Living Warsaw	Food Warsaw	Cost of Living Tokyo	Food Tokyo	Food and Groceries 46 Commodities (30 Towns)	(26 Towns) 59 Foods	Cost of Living	Cost of Living Cairo
Base Period	1914	1914	1913	1913	Jan.-June 1914	Jan.-June 1914	Jan. 1914	Jan. 1914	July 1914	July 1914	1911	1909-13	1914	Jan. 1913 July, 1914
Date			(b)		(d)	(d)	(f) (h)	(f)	(k)	(k)	(i)			
1913			100	100										
1914 July	100	100			100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1918 "					(e) 588						132	139	131	184
1919 "	1.234	1.124			964						147	144	145	201
1920 "	1.858	1.610			931	1.013	11.173				167	167	179	237
1921 "	1.919	1.702			1.214	1.323	25.709	45.665			165	164	162	189
1922 "	2.619	2.257			1.142	1.144	51.7	74.7	236	257	146	144	135	167
1923 "	2.477	2.335			1.111	1.002	63.2	71.4	221	228	162	142	131	161
1924 "	2.833	2.650	(c) 116	145	1.154	1.052	127.2	139.1	221	233	149	148	133	158
1925 "	3.014	2.951	112	132	1.218	1.145	145.6	173.9	218	236	155	151	133	163
1926 "	2.886	2.760	103	115	154	144	178.1	207.0	199	217	162	149	131	159
1927 "	2.788	2.692	110	126	157	144	115.3(g)	143.1	189	211	153	144	131	151
1928 "	2.911	2.819	118	131	161	151	122.6	144.1	184	202	154	147	131	151
1929 "(d)	122.7 (p)	119.7	119	127	160	146	123.4	139.2	181	203	160	146	131	150
1930 (a)			106	105	147	126	118.8	126.4	153	169	149	(k)	128	148
1930														
January	114.9	115.0	112	115	154	137	121.0	131.0	170	194	153	146	129	150
February	113.7	113.8	111	113	152	134	117.9	124.6	168	190	151	145	129	150
March	107.6	107.7	111	113	151	131	116.7	121.8	163	182	151	144	129	150
April	103.7	103.8	110	110	148	127	116.5	121.2	162	182	151	144	129	149
May	100.8	100.9	107	106	146	123	115.7	119.0	159	177	150	144	129	148
June	99.2	99.3	105	102	145	122	115.9	119.6	156	172	149	143	129	147
July	98.7	98.8	106	105	147	126	118.8	126.4	153	169	147	143	128	148
August	94.0	93.7	105	103	149	129	116.7	121.4	151	170	146	141	128	148
September	92.5	92.0	105	104	147	127	116.8	121.6	151	171	141	140	126	148
October	90.8	90.2	103	100	145	123	117.2	122.1	147	163	138	139	126	146
November	86.5	87.1	100	96	144	122	119.2	127.0	142	155	135	139	126	146
December			99	95	141	118	117.8	123.5		152	134	137	126	142
1931														
January			99	94	139	116				153				

(a) Excluding Clothing and rent. (b) End of month. (c) December. (d) Since Date of stabilization, gold index. (e) January. (f) Since 1922, Kloty prices. (g) Recalculated on basis of New Kloty. (h) Last week of month. (i) June. (k) 15th of month.

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