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BUILDING PERMITS REPORTS FOR JULY, 1923, WITH
COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR JUNE, 1923, and JULY, 1922.

The value of prospective building in fifty-six cities showed a further decrease during July when, according to reports tabulated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the building permits issued declined to \$12,544,137 from \$14,345,573 in June. In July of last year they had stood at \$15,447,545. There was, therefore, a reduction of 12.6 per cent in the first comparison and of 18.8 per cent in the latter.

Forty-five cities furnished detailed reports showing that they had issued some 1,200 permits for dwellings at an approximate valuation of \$5,300,000, and for nearly 2,800 other buildings estimated to cost over \$6,300,000. Since the erection of several houses, apartments, stores, etc., is very frequently authorized in one permit, the number of buildings to be put up would be somewhat larger.

New Brunswick, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia reported a higher value of permits issued than in June, the increase of \$449,391 or 72.8 per cent in British Columbia and of \$232,256 or 59.7 per cent in New Brunswick being the largest. The remaining provinces recorded declines. In Quebec the value of anticipated building fell from \$3,987,550 in June to \$2,442,017 in July, a decrease of 38.1 per cent. This was the largest loss registered, while the reduction of \$1,149,662 or 14.2 per cent in Ontario was also extensive.

In comparison with the returns for July of last year, New Brunswick and British Columbia showed increases, but elsewhere the value of the building permits issued declined. The British Columbian cities reporting registered an increase of \$148,105 or 16.1 per cent. Ontario recorded the largest decrease of \$1,582,832 or 18.6 per cent, and Quebec came second with a loss of \$1,088,853 or 30.8 per cent.

Montreal and Toronto registered declines in the value of the permits issued as compared with both June, 1923 and July, 1922; in Winnipeg there was a slight increase in the former and a large decrease in the latter comparison, while Vancouver reported gains in both cases. Of the smaller centres, Fredericton, Sherbrooke, Hamilton, Kitchener, St. Catharines, Sarnia, St. Boniface, Moosejaw, Edmonton, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, South Vancouver and Victoria showed increases in both comparisons.

The value of the building permits issued from the beginning of the year to the end of July showed a decline as compared with the corresponding months of 1922, but an increase over the same period of 1921, the figures being \$83,598,348 for 1923, \$85,742,989 for 1922 and \$65,451,255 for 1921.

The table on page 2 shows the value of the building permits issued during July as compared with June, 1923, and with July, 1922, the 35 cities for which records are available since 1910 being marked by asterisks.

Estimated Cost of Building Work as Indicated by
Building Permits.

City	July 1923	June 1923	July 1922
Prince Edward Island-Charlottetown \$	3,000	15,500	9,100
Nova Scotia	87,645	147,412	260,024
x Halifax	33,450	38,315	161,059
New Glasgow	7,000	5,440	3,200
x Sydney	47,195	103,657	95,765
New Brunswick	389,347	157,091	289,875
Fredericton	212,875	7,600	35,500
x Moncton	93,640	65,591	73,775
x St. John	82,832	83,900	180,600
Quebec	2,442,017	3,987,550	3,530,870
x Montreal - Maisonneuve	1,619,370	2,230,820	2,291,195
x Quebec	505,222	1,220,439	958,745
Shawinigan Falls	13,460	1,500	15,550
x Sherbrooke	140,150	128,500	132,000
x Three Rivers	53,385	157,900	35,600
x Westmount	110,430	248,391	97,785
Ontario	6,920,931	8,070,597	8,503,763
Belleville	1,300		132,500
x Brantford	46,926	128,745	149,610
Chatham	41,050	45,050	26,376
x Fort William	47,100	61,900	557,985
Galt	10,695	16,775	63,567
Guelph	42,270	79,605	88,101
x Hamilton	879,320	343,445	521,500
x Kingston	35,400	36,832	118,758
x Kitchener	364,030	262,280	107,026
x London	359,615	566,035	287,555
Niagara Falls	62,625	72,322	50,930
Oshawa	328,655	443,690	30,150
x Ottawa	172,150	309,360	782,760
Owen Sound	18,500	31,800	10,675
x Peterborough	50,095	53,127	34,570
x Fort Arthur	48,005	85,590	31,428
x Stratford	62,230	55,455	31,157
x St. Catharines	115,950	52,505	43,170
x St. Thomas	5,348	181,925	44,925
Sarnia	165,327	53,125	83,119
Sault Ste Marie	32,931	64,810	132,020
x Toronto	2,980,105	4,032,530	3,760,035
York Township	717,550	758,900	1,053,400
Welland	3,045	1,325	15,035
x Windsor	321,512	311,705	325,985
Woodstock	9,197	21,761	21,426
Manitoba	875,385	695,057	1,051,117
x Brandon	55,400	23,469	7,602
St. Boniface	182,785	43,988	50,915
x Winnipeg	637,200	627,600	992,600
Saskatchewan	304,910	402,685	401,254
x Moosejaw	110,600	7,970	42,910
x Regina	109,085	221,990	208,199
x Saskatoon	85,225	172,725	150,145
Alberta	453,995	252,165	482,740
x Calgary	56,400	108,200	271,800
x Edmonton	316,750	137,305	193,405
Lethbridge	77,275	4,260	16,935
Medicine Hat	3,570	2,400	600
British Columbia	1,066,907	617,516	918,802
Nanaimo	6,170	11,150	680
x New Westminster	30,370	97,805	54,965
Point Grey	227,650	194,350	308,950
Prince Rupert	6,000	11,200	4,000
South Vancouver	59,560	27,220	44,495
x Vancouver	601,342	232,830	451,470
x Victoria	135,815	42,961	54,242
Total - 56 cities	12,544,137	14,345,573	15,447,545
Total - x 35 cities	10,353,917	12,511,407	13,338,422

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