AN INCREASE OF $22090,054

Canada's Foreign Trade for Four Months Totals $214,156,015.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Canada's foreign trade totalled $214,156,015 in the first four months of the current fiscal period from the first of April to July 31, an increase over the similar period the year before of $22,090,054.

During the four months the imports totalled $131,803,070, an increase of $590,208; animals and their produce, totalled $77,766,121, an increase of $15,476,746. Free imports totalled $51,730,825, an increase of $9,703,760. Duty collected amounted to $20,398,734, an increase of $4,214,436.

There was a decrease in the volume of exports, which were of the value of $82,352,945, the decrease being $1,948,653. During the four months exports of products of the mine showed an increase of $743,838; agricultural products showed an increase of $3,847,874. The decreases in exports for the period were fish, $546,160; lumber, $590.20; animals and their produce, $5,022,373; manufacturers, $342,148.

During July the volume of exports took a jump of $11,174,051, totalling for the month, $27,723,599.

1,853 DEATHS IN JULY.

Reports of the Provincial Board of Health for That Month.

A despatch from Toronto says: Reports from 564 divisions of the province to the Board of Health show the number of deaths from all causese in July to have been 1,853. From contagious diseases the number of deaths was 207, out of a total of 690 cases.

The statistics regarding contagious and infectious diseases for the month were as follows.—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Smallpox	49	0
Scarlet Fever	144	10
Diphtheria	124	14
Measles	60	5
Whooping Cough	104	16
Typhoid	57	15
Tuberculosis	152	147
	690	207

In the same month, of 1906, the figures were as follows:—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Smallpox	16	2
Scarlet Fever	76	2
Diphtheria	106	22
Measles	68	7
Whooping Cough	55	6
Typhoid	80	20
Tuberculosis	146	136
	545	195

HEAD SEVERED FROM BODY.

Window Cleaner Decapitated in Elevator Shaft.

A despatch from Toronto says: Thomas Davidson, employed as a window cleaner at the Traders Bank building, had his head completely severed from his body by coming in contact with a descending elevator shaft on Saturday afternoon. His decapitated body fell from the ninth floor to the bottom of the building, leaving the head resting on a cross-beam. Davidson was working at the windows from the top of an elevator, which he lowered as he worked. The weight attached to another elevator, which was running, descends rapidly as the car ascends, and, as he leaned over at his work, the weight caught him on the back of the neck. No one was aware of the accident until a man in charge of a news stand on the ground floor heard the body strike the bottom of the shaft. The head had to be carried down in towels to be placed with the body in the patrol wagon. Davidson was 23 years of age, and had only been a short time in the country.

FIRE IN PENITENTIARY.

Started in Binder Twine Department, But Was Noticed in Time.

A despatch from Kingston says: Saturday night, about ten o'clock, an alert watchman was surprised to see a sudden flash of light in the engine-room of the binder twine department at the penitentiary. He summoned aid, and the fire was subdued with little damage beyond scorching the woodwork and blackening the walls. Spontaneous combustion among the oil and waste about the engine is thought to have been the cause, as no fire had been in the building for four or five days.

THREE CHILDREN DROWNED.

Skiff Capsized in Lake in Hastings County.

A despatch from Madoc says: A drowning accident occurred at Gilmour, about thirty miles north of here, on Wednesday afternoon, when three children of Mr. Norman A. Green, agent for the Anglo-American Iron Company for North Hastings, and a resident of this place, were drowned in Wadsworth's Lake, where Mr. Green has been spending the Summer with his family. On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Green and one of the older boys, Percy, had gone out picking berries. Another boy, Roscoe, was in the house putting the baby to sleep. On the shore of the lake, close to the house, was a new skiff, which Mr. Green purchased this summer. It is thought that the children got the boat into the water, climbed in, and pushed out from shore. When about 45 or 50 feet out, they capsized the skiff, which was very light, and as the shore is rocky and slopes away rapidly, they were thrown at once into deep water. Roscoe was the first to discover the accident. Having succeeded in putting the baby to sleep, he had gone out to join the others in their play, when he was horrified to see the skiff floating bottom upwards, and the children nowhere to be seen. The news of the drowning soon spread, and neighbors from miles around came to assist in dragging for the bodies. That of the little girl, Helen, was the first to be discovered. Her body was found about seven o'clock, three hours after the accident. The body of Burnett was recovered at 7.30 the following morning, and that of Willie an hour later.

ALBERTA'S BEEF CATTLE.

Over 35,000 Will be Exported This Year.

A despatch from Calgary, Alberta, says: Provincial Live Stock Inspector Creswell is enthusiastic over the appearance of the beef cattle which will be put on the market this fall. He has been through all parts of Alberta several times this summer and is now going on another round. Last fall the ranges were swept clean of everything that would come near designation of "beef," and there was a banner shipment, about 75,000 cattle being exported. Owing partly to this fact and also partly to the loss experienced last winter on the open ranges, the shipment this year will not be nearly so heavy as last, but the condition of the cattle will be far superior, although last year's grade of cattle was a high-class one. In Mr. Creswell's opinion there will be between 35,000 and 40,000 head of cattle exported this season. Shipping has already commenced on a small scale, but the big shipments will not be put through for a month or two yet.

TEN KILLED IN FRANCE.

Fatal Collision Between an Express and Freight.

A despatch from Coutras, France, says: Ten persons were killed and twenty-five injured in a head-on collission on Sunday between an express train bound from Bordeaux for Paris, and a freight train. The accident was caused by a misplaced switch.

INSANE PRISONERS REVOLT

One Killed, Several Wounded, in the Clinton, N. Y., Prison.

A despatch from Clinton, N. Y., says: One of the worst outbreaks among the insane prisoners in the history of Clinton prison at Dannemora occurred on Wednesday night. As a result, Isaac Dubois, one of the inmates, is dead, shot through the heart by a guard.

The insane prisoners were being marshalled for bed when at a given signal they rushed into the big lower dormitories and slammed the doors in the faces of the guards. Having locked the doors they proceeded coolly to set about making their escape by smashing the doors and sawing the bars. Some of the less violently insane, however, helped the jailers.

Seeing that the struggling convicts could not be reached through the big steel doors, the guards turned on them from the windows streams of water from the fire hose. This kept them at bay but did not subdue them. The guards were finally obliged to use rifles and pistols, and it was after midnight before the uprising was quelled. Besides Dubois, who was killed, several other prisoners were more or less seriously wounded.

LEADING MARKETS

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, Aug. 27.—Ontario Wheat—No. 2 white, nominal; new wheat, 81c to 82c outside, quick delivery, and 79c to 80c f.o.b. for export.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 northern, 96½c to 97c; No. 2, 94c.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 65c, Toronto; No. 3 yellow, 64c; No. 3 mixed, 62c.

Barley—No. 2 nominal at 52c to 53c; No 3 extra, 51c to 52c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 44½c to 45c outside; new oats, 38c to 39c, Chatham freights. Manitoba—No. 2 white, 45c to 45½c on track at elevator; No. 2 mixed or No. 3 white, 43½c to 44c.

Peas—Nominal at 75c for No. 2.

Rye—65c.

Flour—Ontario—90 per cent. patents, about nominal, $3.20 to $3.25; new wheat flour, $3.10; Manitoba first patents, $5. to $5.20; seconds, $4.40 to $4.50; strong bakers', $4.20 to $4.30.

Bran—$16.50 to $17, bulk outside; shorts, $20 to $20.50 outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Market is very firm and small advances are noted in one or two cases.

Creamery prints	23c to 24c
do solids	21c to 22c
Dairy prints	20c to 21c
do solids	19c to 20c

Cheese—Large are quoted at 12½c and twins at 12¾c in job lots here.

Eggs—Firm at 18½c to 19c.

Beans—$1.65 to $1.70 for and-picked and $1.50 to $1.55 for primes.

Potatoes—Firm at $3.50 per barrel for new stock, car lots nominal.

Baled Hay—New steady at $12.50 to $13, in car lots on track here.

Baled Straw—$7.50 per ton in car lots on track here.

PROVISIONS.

Dressed Hogs—$9.75 for lightweights and $9.50 for heavies.

Pork—Short cut, $22.75 to $23 for barrels; mess, $20 to $21.

Smoked and Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, 11c to 11½c for tons and cases; hams, medium and light, 15½c to 16c; heavy, 14½c to 15c; backs, 16½c to 17c; shoulders, 10¾c to 11c; rolls, 11½c; out of pickle, 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 12c; tubs, 12¼c; pails, 12½c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 27.—Oats were firm and sales of round lots of Manitoba No. 2 white were made at 48c to 48½c per bushel ex-store, and round lots were quoted at 47½c to 47¾c. There was no change in the flour market. Prices:—Choice spring wheat patents, $5.10 to $5.20; seconds, $4.50 to $4.60; winter wheat patents, $4.65 to $4.75; straight rollers, $4.25 to $4.35; do., in bags, $1.95 to $2.10; extras, $1.65 to $1.75; rolled oats were quiet at $2.10 per bag. Cornmeal is steady at $1.45 to $1.50 per bag.

Millfeed—Manitoba bran, in bags, $20 to $21; shorts, $23 to $26; Ontario bran, in bags, $19 to $19.50; shorts, $22.50 to $23; milled mouille, $24 to $28 per ton; straight grain, $30 to $32.

Baled Hay—No. 1, $17 to $17.50; No. 2, $15 to $16; clover, $13.50 to $14, and clover mixed, $12.50 to $13 per ton, in car lots.

Provisions—BBarrels, short cut, mess, $22 to $22.50; half-barrels, $11.25 to $11.75; clear fat backs, $23.50 to $24.50; long cut heavy mess, $20.50 to $21.50; half-barrels do., $10.75 to $11.50; dry salt long clear bacon, 10c to 11½c; barrels plate beef, $14 to $16; half barrels do., $7.50 to $8.25; barrels heavy mess beef, $10; half-barrels do., $5.50; compound lard, 10¼c to 10¾c; pure lard, 11¾c to 12¼c; kettle rendered, 13c to 13½c; hams 12½c to 15½c, according to size; breakfast bacon, 14c to 15½c; Windsor bacon, 15c to 15½c; fresh killed abattoir dressed hogs, $9.75; alive, $7 to $7.25.

Butter—Townships is quoted at 21¾c to 22c, and Quebec 21½c to 21¾c, and dairy, 18½c to 19c; receipts to-day were 2,480 packages.

Cheese—Ontario, 11½c to 11⅝c; townships, at 11¼c to 11⅜c; Quebec, 11⅛c to 11¼c, and undergrades, 11c.

Eggs—No. 1 at 18c to 18½c; seconds, 13c to 14c, and straight gathered, 17c to 17½c per dozen.

BUFFALO MARKET.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 27.—Flour—Quiet. Wheat—Nothing done; Winter strong; No. 2 red, 91c No. 33 red, 87½c. Corn—Strong and higher; No. 2 yellow, 64½c; No. 2 white, 64c. Oats—Firmer; No. 2 mixed, 48½c; No. 2 white, old, 58c. Barley—68c to 75c. Rye—No. 1, 83c; No. 2 81c.

NEW YORK WHEAT MARKET.

New York, Aug. 27.—Spot strong; No. 2 red, 97½c elevator; No. 2 red, 97⅝c f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.10⅞ f.o.b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 89⅝c f.o.b. afloat.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Toronto, Aug. 27.—Offers were made of $4.90 to $5.10 per cwt for choice exporters' cattle, and $4.50 to $4.85 for medium export bulls, and cows sold at $3.75 to $4.25 per cwt.

Medium to good butchers' cattle, $4.25 to $4.60; common, $2.75 to $3.50; choice cows, $3.50 to $4.10; fair cows, $3.25 to $3.75; common to medium cows, $2 to $2.75 per cwt.

For choice stockers, $3 to $3.50 was quoted, and for common, $2 to $2.75 per cwt.

Milch cows ranged from $20 to $50 each.

Calves continued to sell at 3 to 6 cents per lb.

Export ewes, $4.50 to $4.75; bucks and culls, $3 to $3.50; lambs, $3.50 to $6.40 per cwt.

Hogs were quoted at $6.50 for selects and $6.25 for lights and fats.

KILLED AND BURIED HUSBAND

Manitoba Squaw Makes a Confession of the Crime.

A despatch from Shoal Lake, Manitoba, says: The arresting of a squaw, charged with murder, and the finding of the body of John Assinwassis, of Rolling River, commonly known as Fred Johnston, has cleared up the peculiar and sudden disappearance of that Indian about a month ago. The squaw was on trial here on Thursday for the murder of the husband.

Between three and four weeks ago Assinwassis disappeared and no trace had been seen of him for some time. Indian Agent Wheatley notified the police and asked for an investigation. Constables Jos. Guertin and Garrock, of Portage La Prairie were put on the case. These two, after a careful search, found a little mound about two miles north-east of the town. Scraping the earth away, they came upon the body of the Indian, which had been buried in a badger hole.

The accused squaw made a confession, stating that her husband had been drinking and brought home to the tepee two large bottles of whiskey, which she had hidden from him. Johnston threatened to kill her if she did not give up the hidden whiskey. He chased her, and she laid down her child, threw him down and choked him, not intending to kill him, but he died shortly afterwards. Early in the morning she dragged the corpse to a big knoll nearby and wrapped him in his blanket, and buried him, putting his drinking cup under his arm.

MISSING MANAGER SUICIDES.

A. Giannetti, of Toronto, Italian Bank, Cuts His Throat

A despatch from Toronto says: A. Giannetti, the missing manager of the "Banco Giannetti," which closed its doors a few days ago, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor in a room of the Hotel Cecil, Queen Street and Beaconsfield Avenue, shortly after 12 o'clock on Thursday night. In his possession were found letters addressed to "A Giannetti," a quantity of Italian money, and $1,475 in American money. There was also an envelope addressed to the "Chief of Police, Toronto." The body was identified as that of A. Giannetti, the missing Italian, by means of a newspaper picture. The man registered at the hotel during the afternoon, giving his name as G. Laspirauce. During the evening his actions aroused suspicion, and shortly after the house was locked up for the night the attention of some of the roomers was attracted by groans coming from the room. The door was found to be locked, and when it had been broken in the dead body was found on the bed.

STABBED BY ITALIANS.

Fitter in Bridgeburg Shipyards Struck First Blow.

A despatch from Bridgeburg, Ont., says: A man by the name of Moxon, who works as a fitter at the Canadian shipyards here was seriously wounded on Friday afternoon by being stabbed three times by an Italian. The trouble arose by the Italian stepping on some work, which Moxon was doing. He struck the Italian, who drew his knife. The Italian is now under arrest, and will stand his trial at Welland.

FIFTH WARSHIP TO BEAR NAME.

Temeraire Is Successfully Launched at Davenport.

A despatch from Davenport, Eng., says: The battleship Temeraire, third of the Dreadnought class, was successfully launched at the dockyard here on Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed by Countess Fortescue, and was witnessed by thousands of persons, including many notables.

OVER A HUNDRED WOUNDS.

Another Italian Stabbing Affray at Fort William.

A despatch from Fort William says: Another fight in the Italian section on Saturday night may end in the death of one Louis Wegoilot. It started in the house of a woman, Janette Ciciliana, where two men began to quarrel, and Peolo de Filippo drew a knife and stabbed Wegoilot. De Filippo is in jail and Wegoilot has over a hundred wounds in him.

CORPSE IN OPEN BOX.

A Mysterious Tragedy of the Algoma Wilderness.

A despatch from Toronto says: Cased in an open wooden box a partially decomposed human body has been left lying in the waters of the Blind River, near the town of that name, in the District of Algoma. Such is the story told by letters which have reached the Provincial Board of Health.

The epistles which have brought the affair to the notice of the authorities are dated about Aug. 16. Their writers assert that about two weeks before the corpse of a murdered man was found lying in the bush at some distance from the town. A week elapsed and no action was taken. Finally the remains, then somewhat decomposed, were taken to Blind River. There an inquest was held. The writer of one letter asserts that the body was then laid in a plain wooden box and placed in the river, about three feet from shore "in accordance with the orders of the coroner." The correspondent complains to the Board of Health that the body has been placed in close proximity to the town, and in the stream from which some residents drew water supplies, and it is consequently a menace to the health of the people.

ROBBERY OF FRENCH GENERAL.

Letter of Credit Taken From His Pocket in Montreal.

A despatch from Montreal says: A daring robbery was committed on Wednesday, when General De Negrier, of Paris, a guest at the Windsor Hotel, was relieved of his wallet, containing a letter of credit for a large amount, while he was attempting to board a street car. General De Negrier, who is well-known in French army circles, having had command of the French troops in Algeria, is on a visit to Canada. According to his story, he was followed to the Bank of Montreal, where he drew a considerable sum on his letter of credit, by those who eventually stole his wallet. After leaving the bank and while trying to board a car, in order to return to the hotel, he felt himself pushed, but paid no particular attention to it. At the time his wallet was in his right hip pocket, and in the same pocket were the bank notes and gold which he had just drawn from the bank. Strange to say the thieves missed the money and got away with the wallet, which contained the letter of credit, which is of no negotiable value except to the general himself.

A Stockholm paper says that Rudyard Kipling is to receive the Nobel literary prize for 1907.

The French have captured a German vessel loaded with rifles sailing on the Moroccan coast.

CONSPIRACY IS THE CHARGE

Information Sworn Out Against Alberta Lumbermen.

A despatch from Edmonton, Alta., says: Informations were sworn out on Thursday before Inspector Worsley, of the Mounted Police Barracks charging the following members of the Executive Committee of the Alberta Lumber Dealers' Association with conspiracy in relation to trade and trade combinations: P. A. Prince, Calgary; W. H. Clark, Edmonton; W. D. Baker, Calgary; A. M. Grogan, Calgary; F. W. Irwin, Vegreville; J. McDonald, Edmonton; A. G. Grosse, Wetaskiwin; D. C. Gourlay, Lacombe; William Dean, Olds; W. Stuart, Calgary; W. Barclay, Claresholm, and J. W. McNichol, Lethbridge.

Each defendant is charged with three conspiracies, that is to say with his co-directors and other members of the Alberta Retail Dealers' Association, with conspiracy with members of the Mountain Millers' Association of British Columbia, and with conspiracy with the British Columbia Lumber and Shingle Association, known as the Coast Association. There are in all, therefore, one hundred and forty different charges in connection with this prosecution, each one of the twelve directors of the Alberta Lumber Dealers' Association being charged with twelve different offences.

The statute under which the charge is laid provides: "That everyone is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to a penalty not exceeding four thousand dollars, and not less than two hundred dollars, or two years' imprisonment, or, if a corporation, is liable to a penalty not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and not less than one thousand dollars, who conspires, combines, agrees and arranges with any other person, or with any railway, steamship, steamboat or transportation company, to unduly limit facilities for transportation, to restrain or injure trade, to prevent, limit or lessen manufacture, or to prevent or lessen competition."