

IMMENSE GAINS IN REVENUE

Comparative Returns for the Fiscal Year Show Record Increases

A despatch from Ottawa says: The official comparative statement of the Customs revenue of the two fiscal years ending March, 1910, and March, 1911, issued on Friday, perhaps better than any other means serves to show the tremendous gains made by the great ports of entry in the country.

City	1909-10	1910-11
Montreal	\$16,327,801 19	\$18,330,183 22
Toronto	12,327,949 27	13,864,784 44
Winnipeg	4,999,238 16	6,478,163 02
Vancouver	3,657,242 90	5,499,736 65
Hamilton	1,815,996 36	2,141,923 26
Halifax	1,627,627 89	1,772,964 09
Quebec	1,533,137 94	1,560,359 09
St. John, N. B.	1,333,754 34	1,340,926 68
Victoria	1,240,612 14	1,539,575 87
Ottawa	1,129,683 72	1,265,457 37
Windsor	1,084,075 48	1,433,720 31
London	928,315 02	1,007,109 81

WHAT BRITAIN WILL GAIN.

Terms of the New Treaty Negotiated With Japan.

A despatch from London says: The new Anglo-Japanese commercial treaty, which was ratified at Tokio on Tuesday, provides for reductions in the rates of the new Japanese tariff on the chief British textile and metal imports in Japan. In the case of gray cotton tissues the duties are reduced from one-third to one-fourth, and on the most important tissues, pure wool and cotton mixed and linen yarns, a reduction of one-fifth is made. On certain classes of iron and steel plates, including galvanized sheets and timplates, there is a concession of from two-ninths to two-fifths per cent.; on pig iron one-sixth, and on paints one-third per cent. Specialties in Japanese manufacture will continue to be admitted to the United Kingdom duty free. The treaty will remain in force twelve years.

FARMER'S RASH ACT.

Was Despondent Over the Loss of His Home by Fire.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Jos. Robertson, a farmer of Transcona, Man., was found walking into the city on Wednesday evening with his throat cut, and the constable who met him took him to the General Hospital, where he may recover. He told a rambling story of having lost his place at Transcona by fire, the damage being \$2,000. He says he started to walk to the city at 11 o'clock in the morning and on the way went into an empty house and tried to cut his throat with a pocket knife. He lay down for a couple of hours, expecting to die, but got tired of waiting and set out again for the city. He has a brother at 24 Gordon street, Manchester, England. He is 40 years of age and unmarried.

PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Uneasiness Felt in Connection With the Royal Durbar.

A despatch from London says: Some uneasiness is felt in connection with the Royal Durbar and the prevalence of the plague in India, where there has been a serious recurrence. Just now the weekly average of deaths is 2,500, while at Delhi itself, where the durbar is to be held, there are 50 deaths each day.

SEVENTY MINERS KILLED

The Victims Mostly Foreigners, but Include Several Mine Managers

A despatch from Scranton, Pa., says: At least 70 mine workers lost their lives in the Dunmore vein, also China vein of the Pancrost colliery at Throop on Friday. Most of the men in the mine are foreigners. Seven mine officials, however, are among the victims.

The Dunmore vein of the mine is 750 feet below the surface, which greatly impedes the work of rescue, making fire fighting difficult. The colliery is owned by the Scranton Coal Company, affiliated with the New York, Ontario and Western Company.

The fire which caused the mine horror, broke out from some un-

known cause in the engine-house at the foot of the shaft at about 10 o'clock on Friday morning. It is attributed to spontaneous combustion. At the time there were 300 men and boys in the various veins and chambers of the mine. The flames set off accumulations of gas which increased the difficulty and doubtless increased the loss of life. The scene at the mine is heartrending. About the head of the shaft were gathered thousands of people including the relatives and friends of the men entombed. Ropes had to be stretched to keep back the crowd and to prevent a stampede when the bodies were brought out.

Everyone ought to have some extra flesh on the bony structure of the body, both for the sake of health and self-esteem. Most thin people are sensitive to the harsh, unfeeling criticisms which are constantly being hurled at them by the more fortunate well-figured persons. Everyone pities a thin, bony horse, but horses don't know it—while thin people are both pitied and ridiculed. It ought not to be so, but it is. A well-rounded figure, be it man or woman, excites admiration; not only for the figure but for the bright eyes, pink cheeks, red lips, and vigorous carriage which accompany a well-nourished body. Strength, health, beauty and sound flesh abound, if the blood and nerves get enough nourishment out of the food eaten. This prescription aids nature; helps absorption, digestion and assimilation; helps distribute the blood and nerve elements which make sound flesh. Get the ingredients and make it at home, and see how very fast you gain in weight. In a half pint bottle obtain three ounces of essence of pepsin, three ounces syrup of rhubarb. Then add one ounce compound essence cardiol, shake and let stand two hours; then add one ounce tincture cadomene compound, (not cardamom). Shake well and take a teaspoonful before meals and one after meals. Also drink plenty of water between meals and when retiring. Weigh yourself before beginning.

"WHY BE SO THIN?"

Thinness is Embarrassing, Unhealthy and Not Natural—Formula Now Used Which Adds From One to Three Pounds a Week.

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NANAIMO SHAKEN.

Powder Magazine and Store of Gasoline Blow Up.

A despatch from Victoria, B. C., says: The powder magazine on Protection Island, Nanaimo, exploded at midnight on Thursday. Two distinct shocks shook Nanaimo, shattering plate glass windows and causing the citizens to fear that the Protection Mine had been blown up. The flames lit up the harbor and the city. The first explosion was of dynamite, and the second of a store of gasoline. John Jones, night engineer, discovered the fire at the magazine, and went to the telephone to notify the chief engineer. He was returning when the explosion occurred, and he was thrown forty feet, sustaining injuries which will probably result fatally.

Sir Henry Pellatt has purchased the old rifle range at St. Charles, near Winnipeg, but states that he has not decided what shall be done with it.

Dr. Bell severely criticized the Health Department at Ottawa in connection with the smallpox epidemic, and threatened, unless improvement were made, to isolate the city from the rest of the Province.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Cheese and Other Produce at Home and Abroad.

BREADSTUFFS.

Toronto, April 11.—Flour—Winter wheat 90 per cent. patents, \$3.25 at seaboard. Manitoba flours—First patents, \$5.40; second patents, \$4.90, and strong bakers', \$4.70, on track, Toronto.

Manitoba Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 96c, Bay ports; No. 2 Northern, 94c, Bay ports, and No. 3 at 91c, Bay ports.

Ontario Wheat—No. 2 red and white, 81 to 82c outside.

Barley—Malting qualities, 65 to 67c, and feed, 50 to 55c outside.

Oats—32 to 33c outside, and 35c on track, Toronto. No. 2 W. C. oats, 36½c, and No. 3 at 35½c, Bay ports.

Corn—No. 3 American, 51½ to 52c, Toronto freights.

Peas—No. 2 quoted around 80c outside.

Rye—Prices nominal.

Buckwheat—No. 1 quoted at 48½ to 49c outside.

Bran—Manitobas, \$23, in bags, Toronto, and shorts \$24.50, in bags, Toronto; Ontario shorts, \$24.50 to \$25.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples—Spys, \$5 to \$6; Baldwins, \$4 to \$4.50; No. 2 assorted, \$3.50 to \$4.50 per barrel.

Beans—Car lots, \$1.75 to \$1.80, and small lots, \$1.90 to \$2.

Honey—Extracted, in tins, 10 to 11c per lb.; No. 1 comb, wholesale, \$2 to \$2.50 per dozen; No. 2 comb, wholesale, \$1.75 to \$2 per dozen.

Baled Hay—No. 1 at \$11.50 to \$13 on track, and No. 2 at \$9 to \$10.50.

Baled Straw—\$6.50 to \$7, on track, Toronto.

Potatoes—Car lots, 80 to 85c per bag, and New Brunswick, 95c.

Poultry—Wholesale prices: Chickens, 15 to 16c per lb.; fowl, 11 to 13c per lb.; turkeys, 19 to 21c per lb. Live, 1 to 2c less.

DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Dairy prints, 18 to 20c; inferior, 16 to 17c. Creamery, 27 to 28c per lb. for rolls, 24 to 24½c for solids, and 22½ to 23c for separator prints.

Eggs—Case lots 18c per dozen.

Cheese—Large, 14c, and twins at 14½c.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Bacon—Long clear, 11½c per lb., in case lots; mess pork, \$20 to \$20.50; do., short cut, \$23.50 to \$24; pickled rolls, \$20 to \$20.50.

Hams—Light to medium, 15c; do., heavy, 12 to 13c; rolls, 12½c; breakfast bacon, 16½ to 17c; backs, 18 to 18½c.

Lard—Tierces, 11½c; tubs, 12c; pails, 12½c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, April 11.—Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 38 to 38½c, car lots, ex store; extra No. 1 feed, 37½ to 38c; No. 3 C. W., 37 to 37½c; No. 2 local white, 36 to 36½c; No. 3 local white, 35 to 35½c; No. 4 local white, 34 to 34½c. Flour—Manitoba Spring wheat patents, firsts, 5.60; seconds, \$5.10; Winter wheat patents, \$4.50; strong bakers', \$4.90; straight rollers, \$4 to \$4.25; in bags, \$1.75 to \$1.85. Rolled oats—Per barrel, \$3.90; bag of 90 lbs., \$1.95. Corn—American No. 3 yellow, 57½ to 58c. Millfeed—Bran, Ontario, \$22 to \$23; Manitoba, \$21 to \$23; middlings, Ontario, \$24 to \$25; shorts, Manitoba, \$23 to \$25; moullie, \$25 to \$30. Eggs—Fresh, 19 to 21c. Cheese—Westerns, 12¼ to 12½c; easterns, 11 7-8 to 12 1-8c. Butter—Choiceest, 25 to 25½c; seconds, 24½ to 25c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Buffalo, April 11.—Spring wheat—No. 1 Northern, carloads, store, \$1.02; Winter, No. 2 red, 92c asked. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 51c; No. 4 yellow, 50c; No. 3 corn, 49½ to 49¾c; No. 4 corn, 47½ to 48c on track, through billed. Oats—No. 2 white, 35c; No. 3 white, 34½c; No. 4 white, 33½c. Barley—Malting, \$1.08 to \$1.12.

Minneapolis, April 11.—Wheat—May, 92 3-8 to 92½c; July, 93½c; September, 89¼ to 89 3-8c; cash, No. 1 hard, 95 3-8c; No. 1 Northern, 93 7-8 to 94 7-8c; No. 2 Northern, 90 5-8 to 92 5-8c; No. 3 wheat, 87 5-8 to 91 5-8c. Bran—\$21.50 to \$22. Flour—First patents, \$4.25 to \$4.

WESTERN COAL MINE STRIKE

International Executive Assist the Men in Western Canada

A despatch from Fernie, B. C., says: Secretary Carter, of the district local, received the following telegram from Vice-President Stubbs and C. Garner on Thursday morning:

"International executive board fully endorse the position taken by the district. Representatives will be sent at once to co-operate with district officers in carrying out the work in connection with the suspension. Deny absolutely rumors regarding non-support. International will support to the full extent." This message signifies that a long struggle may be looked for. All movements on the part of the miners indicate preparations for fighting at every point.

The attempt at Passburg to have miners turn out 100 tons of coal per day was the cause of a little excitement at that place, but no violence has been offered and this is true of all places where men have quit work.

A visit to Coal Creek on Thursday morning revealed a state of absolute quiet. Nearly all the single men have left that camp. One boarding house which usually feeds 75 to 80 men is now feeding only 25 or 30. The drives have been cleaned and now that the International Board seems to have endorsed the action of district eighteen, the next move is hard to predict.

Banner mines at Littleton, thirty miles from here, 128 men, all but five State convicts, were killed on Saturday morning. One hundred and seventy-three men were in the mine at the time of the disaster, but forty-five were rescued alive. The definite death list shows two white and three colored free men, 111 colored and 12 white convicts. Not a man remaining in the mine an hour after the explosion is alive.

ARNPRIOR CHIEF ARRESTED. Authorities Were Waiting for Alleged Embezzler's Recovery.

A despatch from Arnprior says: Charged with the embezzlement of \$11,246 of the funds of the town of Arnprior, Chief of Police John Mattson was arrested Saturday afternoon, arraigned before Magistrate Burwash and committed for trial. He was taken to the county jail in Pembroke on Saturday night by Constable Cousineau to await his trial. The chief did not plead, the commitment being made by agreement between counsels representing the prosecution and his solicitor.

WILL SPEND \$2,000,000. Costly Improvements to be Made to "Soo" Pulp Mill.

A despatch from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., says: It was announced here on Saturday that \$2,000,000 will be spent on improvements to the "Soo" pulp mill, which was purchased last week by the Lake Superior Paper Company from the Lake Superior Corporation.

FELL DEAD IN STREET. St. Stephen, N. B., Customs Officer Was Walking With Wife.

A despatch from St. Stephen, N. B., says: Henry Graham, collector of Customs here, fell dead in the street from heart disease, while walking from his office to his home on Saturday night, accompanied by his wife. He was 71 years of age and was appointed collector of the port in 1891.

DUNCAN A. MORRISON, a deaf mute of Hamilton, was run down by a street car and killed on Sunday night.

RUSSEL VICKERS, aged fourteen, was shot and killed by a companion while playing at war at Belleville.

C. D. SHELDON was arraigned in the Montreal Police Court on Saturday on three charges of fraud.

5,000 HOUSES BURNED. Area of About Four Square Miles in Tokio, Japan, in Ruins.

A despatch from Tokio says: The notorious Yoshiwari, the "red light" quarter of Tokio, was destroyed by fire on Saturday. Many of these houses were almost palatial in appearance, and a thousand of them were burned in a little more than three hours. Six thousand female inmates were rendered homeless.

TERRIBLE MINE TRAGEDY. 128 Victims of an Explosion in Alabama.

A despatch from Birmingham, Ala., says: By an explosion in the

BRIDGE TO COST \$8,650,000

Contract for Quebec Structure Let to St Lawrence Bridge Co.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The contract for the Quebec Bridge was on Wednesday awarded to the St. Lawrence Bridge Company, an amalgamation of the Dominion Bridge Company of Montreal and the Canadian Bridge Company of Walkerville. The cost of the bridge, according to the estimate of the engineers on the company's figures for the various parts of the work, will be \$8,650,000. There has been deposited with the Government as security for carrying out the project, \$1,097,500, or 15 per cent. of the contract price. The award is made on the recommendation of a majority of a board of engineers, who have had the matter under con-

sideration for over a year. They have recommended the acceptance of the tender of the St. Lawrence Bridge Company upon a design of their own, which includes provision for street railway and driveway. Hon. Mr. Graham believes that the very best possible contract has been made, and that these purely Canadian companies are fully competent to accomplish the task they have undertaken.

As the Province of Quebec contributed \$250,000 and the city of Quebec \$300,000 to the original bridge scheme, as subsidy for the construction of the roadways, Mr. Graham recommends that these amounts should be returned.