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Perhaps the most extraordinary part of the whole situation is the way in which very important and essential agricultural interests have been entirely overlooked. The farmers' party certainly always pretend to be a friend of the farmers. Dairying business is absolutely essential to the prosperity of Ontario and Quebec, yet increases in railway rates on butter of 80% still stand. There were similar rate increases on cheese and eggs. At the risk of repetition, not only for the purpose of showing the claim that the Western farmers above all others of undue and exorbitant rates - that they only suffer is entirely without basis in fact, but also in the hope that some proper consideration may be given to other agriculturists, the following further tables are given. Important butter markets will be found in Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal, and butter moves in carloads and less than carload lots. A few of the principal points shipping to these centres are picked out so that the rate situation may be plain.

BUTTER - IN CARLOADS

FROM	Dec. 1, 1912	Dec. 1, 1921	Percentage of increase	Government relief
		TO TORONTO		
Wingham	26	47	80	
St. Marys	23	41½	80	
Woodstock	23	41½	80	Nothing
Thamesville	27	49	81	
Smiths Falls	30	54	81	
		TO OTTAWA		
Arnprior	15	27½	83	
Renfrew	18	32	77	
Pembroke	24	43	83	Nothing
Eganville	21	37½	78	
Smiths Falls	17	30½	79	
		TO MONTREAL		
Renfrew	29	52½	81	
Brockville	26	47	80	
Lindsay	35	63	80	Nothing
Peterboro	33	59½	80	
Toronto	35	63	80	

These are in cents per 100 lbs.

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