

BANK BRANCH NOTES

The following is a list of branches of Canadian banks recently opened:—

Rose Blanche, Nfld.	Royal Bank of Canada
Lintlaw, Sask.	Royal Bank of Canada
Basse Terre, Guadeloupe, F.W.I.	Royal Bank of Canada
Mamajuani, Cuba	Royal Bank of Canada
Whycocomagh, N.S.	Royal Bank of Canada
Rosalind, Alta.	Merchants Bank of Canada
Tamworth, Ont.	Merchants Bank of Canada
*Forester's Falls, Ont.	Merchants Bank of Canada
*Merna, Alta.	Merchants Bank of Canada
*Philipsville, Ont.	Merchants Bank of Canada
*Ribstone, Alta.	Merchants Bank of Canada
Craigmyle, Alta.	Bank of Hamilton
St. Thomas, Ont. (Ross and Wellington)	Imperial Bank of Canada
Pleasantdale, Sask.	Bank of Hamilton
Coderre, Sask.	Bank of Hamilton

The Bank of Montreal announces that on or about the first of next month, an office will be opened in Paris, France, to be designated 'Bank of Montreal (France),' in the Ritz Hotel Building, 17 Place Vendome, under the management of Mr. W. F. Benson, with Mr. H. J. E. Pope, as assistant manager.

According to an announcement from Rio Janeiro, the Royal Bank of Canada, and the Yokohama Specie Bank of Japan, are soon to open branches in several cities in Brazil.

After spending a short time in Eastern Canada, Mr. J. S. Hiam, superintendent of branches of the Union Bank of Canada, has returned to Winnipeg. Before he left, he stated that the bank's system had been brought up to a total of 360 branches, 60 of these being opened since the signing of the armistice. He announced the opening of branches at the beginning of next month in Moncton, N.B., and Kentville, N.S.

Final details are now being completed of an important real estate transaction, in Montreal, by which the Eastern Townships Bank Building, on the corner of St. James and McGill Streets, passes out of the hands of the Canadian Bank of Commerce by the purchase made by the Bank of Nova Scotia. While no figure is mentioned, it is understood the price was well in excess of the assessment of the Eastern Townships Bank Building, which stands at \$753,000.

The property comprising the old Central Hotel, Main Street, Galt, Ont., may be purchased by the Royal Bank of Canada, but negotiations have not as yet been completed.

Mr. W. H. C. Hall, of the Ontario inspection staff of the Merchants Bank of Canada, is now acting manager at Fingal, Ont., branch.

Mr. A. T. Williamson, formerly manager of the Bank of Ottawa at Hastings and Seymour Streets, Vancouver, has been appointed manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Queen and McCaul Streets, Toronto, to succeed Mr. H. L. Enman.

The following staff appointments have been announced by the Union Bank of Canada:—

Managers—Mr. B. C. Beyer, Leduc, Alta.; Mr. T. L. Ferguson, Leader, Sask.; Mr. G. H. Heald, Canfield, Ont.; Mr. G. A. Howson (Winnipeg, Main and Mountain, Main and Lansdowne, West Kildonan, Man.); Mr. J. H. Hurlburt, Moncton, N.B.; Mr. J. T. Hutton, Standard, Alta.; Mr. M. Ross, Sussex, N.B.; Mr. J. F. Stewart, Wiarton, Ont.; Mr. G. C. Temple, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Acting-managers—Mr. H. C. Brankin, Cut Knife, Sask.; Mr. H. W. Fuller, Chauvin, Alta.; Mr. H. R. R. McClung, Elm Creek, Man.; Mr. J. A. McDairmid, Elphinstone, Man.; Mr. J. N. Pugh, Alida, Sask.; Mr. A. L. Smart, Langdon, Alta.; Mr. A. N. Wetherell, Winnifred, Alta.

The Merchants Bank of Canada has purchased the building at 38 Wall Street, New York, according to an announcement by Charles F. Noyes Co., real estate brokers. This is the fourth Canadian bank to purchase quarters in that city, the Bank of Montreal being first, followed later by the Royal Bank of Canada and more recently by the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

LUMBER INDUSTRY IN CANADA

A census of the lumber industry in Canada was recently completed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, embracing 2,879 operating concerns, of which 52 were in Alberta, 251 in British Columbia, 29 in Manitoba, 255 in New Brunswick, 462 in Nova Scotia, 603 in Ontario, 60 in Prince Edward Island, 1,151 in Quebec, and 16 in Saskatchewan.

The total capital invested in the industry, including land, buildings and plant, machinery and tools, stocks in process and supplies, and working capital is given at \$149,266,019.

The number of employees on salaries was 2,874 males and 285 females, who received a total of \$3,554,097. The average number of employees on wages was 25,516 engaged in logging operations, and 28,820 in the mills, and their combined wages amounted to \$34,412,411.

The aggregate value of production in 1917 was \$115,777,130. The census covered 29 kinds of lumber, 11 of shingles, 10 of lath, 6 of pulpwood and 10 of miscellaneous products, including cooperage stock, veneer, ties, poles, posts, dressed lumber, etc.

The principal kinds of lumber by species of wood used, were spruce, 1,466,558 m. feet; white pine, 791,609 m. feet; Douglas Fir, 706,996 m. feet; hemlock, 322,722 m. feet; cedar, 149,999 m. feet; red pine, 119,321 m. feet; balsam fir, 102,373 m. feet, and all other varieties, including custom sawn lumber, 483,133 m. feet.

The total quantities and values of lumber, lath, shingles and pulpwood cut, and of miscellaneous products were as follows:—

Kind.	Unit of measure.	Quantity.	Value.
Lumber	m. ft.	4,142,711	\$83,547,322
Lath	m.	616,909	1,828,018
Shingles	m.	3,024,452	8,431,215
Pulpwood	cords.	988,444	10,543,630
Miscellaneous products (value only)			11,426,945

CANADIAN HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS

The Board of Historical Publications, which was established some time ago by the Dominion Government, is at present engaged in collecting documents upon Canadian history. The work is in charge of Dr. Adam Shortt, who is well known throughout Canada as an educator, a writer and formerly of the Civil Service Commission. Documents which throw light upon Canadian history will be reprinted and will be supplemented by explanatory notes. The field is divided into two parts, the first being the political and social, with the following sections:

1. Constitutional Development to Confederation:
 - (a) Ontario and Quebec.
 - (b) Maritime Provinces.
 - (c) Western Provinces.
2. External Relations, including boundaries.
3. Militia and Defence.
4. Immigration and Settlement, including Land Granting.
5. Municipal Development.
6. Indian Relations and Exploration, including operations of Hudson's Bay and Northwest Companies.
7. Relations of Church and State, including Clergy Reserves, etc.

8. Education, Literature, Art, etc.

The second main division is the economic, with the following divisions:

1. Public Finance and Taxation.
2. Currency, Banking and Exchange.
3. Trade:
 - (a) Domestic.
 - (b) Foreign.
4. Transportation:
 - (a) Shipping, including Canals, Shipbuilding, etc.
 - (b) Highways and Railroads.
 - (c) Postal Developments.
5. Agriculture.
6. Fisheries, Marine and Inland.
7. Industry, Manufacturing, Lumbering, Mining, etc.

The annual meeting of health and accident underwriters will be held at Niagara Falls, Ont., September 2nd to 4th, 1919.