

we might go on enumerating several other distinct industries which are not only the most important in the Province of Quebec, but the largest in the Dominion, almost entirely conducted by French Canadians.

It must not be forgotten that this race started without any capital, about one hundred and fifty years ago, alongside the English speaking Canadians, who were backed by all the enormous wealth and capital of Great Britain, which gave them a big advantage and impetus in the development of the vast resources of Canada. It has taken many years for French Canada, starting almost penniless, to save and accumulate the great wealth and industries which it now possesses, and which are rapidly increasing in proportion to the natural growth of such trade development. It must not be forgotten that the French Canadian retains his surplus in his business. Little of it is paid out in interest on watered stocks, so that he is building up one of the most solid industrial foundations, which will in a short time surprise the world of commerce with its super-structure.

In manufactured products Quebec's production is 27 p. c. of the whole of Canada; in wood pulp and paper 53 to 49 p. c. respectively; in dairy products 57 p. c., in live stock from 11 to 35 p. c. and farm produce 13 p. c. of the total farm production in Canada.

One of the most extraordinary evolutionary phenomena in a commercial sense, is well demonstrated by the number of French Canadians who have gone into Ontario and purchased factories