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Winnipeg, Jan. 27th, 1922.

1. Whereas the farmers and general public of the Western Provinces are suffering through depressed conditions, aggravated by heavy cost of marketing everything produced or raised on the farms and the high cost of bringing in all of the commodities required to carry on farming, and
2. Whereas the price of commodities produced or raised in the Prairie Provinces are down to pre-war prices, and
3. Whereas the present excessive freight rates are hampering the revival of business and creating unemployment, and
4. Whereas lower freight rates on farm products, lumber and coal are most essential to relieve the depressed and stifled conditions of the farming industry, and
5. Whereas the freight rates on lumber are 50% higher than pre-war rates, while the prices of all commodities raised in the Prairie Provinces are down to pre-war prices

Therefore be it resolved that the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association in Convention Assembled request and urge that the Railway Companies of Canada be required to reduce freight tariffs on all farm products and Coal, and restore Lumber freight rates to at least those in effect prior to September 1920.

Further be it resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Railway Companies, Hon. McKenzie King, Hon. Frank Carvell, Hon. T. A. Crerar and Hon. Arthur Meighen.

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