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## TRADE OF THE DOMINION.

The trade of Canada for the first month of the calendar year reached an aggregate value of \$225,096,920, as against \$195,096,114 for the corresponding month of the previous year, a gain of \$30,000,806 or slightly more than twelve and a half per cent. These figures, taken by themselves, are satisfactory. The grand total is, however, somewhat below the December figure, which represented a gain of twenty-five per cent, exclusive of re-exported goods. Excluding the amount of foreign goods exported, which showed a decline of nearly \$2,500,000 in January, it is found that the total of domestic exports and merchandise entered for consumption amounted to \$221,528,023, an increase of nearly \$15,000,000. The gain is almost wholly on the side of imports, exports having done little better than hold their own during the month, points out a contemporary. Exports of all agricultural and vegetable products increased, as did those of animals and their products, textiles, wool and paper. The losses were in chemicals, iron and steel, metals and minerals and in miscellaneous goods. Imports of both dutiable and free goods showed increases, with only one or two exceptions. Iron and steel and manufactures of iron and steel, entered free of duty, declined by nearly \$5,500,000, while iron and steel imports, dutiable, increased by three millions. Imports of agricultural and vegetable products, animals and textiles, showed substantial gains, the imports of textiles subject to duty having more than doubled in the period. The increases having been marked on the side of dutiable goods, there was a corresponding improvement in the revenue from customs imposts, the increase amounting to five and a half million dollars.

The returns for the ten months of the fiscal year, including January, exclusive of exports of foreign products, show a grand total of \$1,894,315,597, an increase of \$50,000,000. Imports increased in nearly all departments, the larger increases being shown in purchases of dutiable goods. Those of animal and vegetable products, subject to duty, rose from sixty to one hundred millions, a movement which points to the prevalence of lower food prices in the United States than in Canada. Imports of textiles, dutiable, increased more than one hundred per cent. Imports under the head of miscellaneous in the dutiable list increased by nine and a half millions, but in the free list the decline under this head amounted to \$14,500,000.

The exports of domestic products for the ten months fell below the record for the previous corresponding period, the amounts being \$1,063,213,742 in 1919 and \$1,059,754,019 in 1920, a decline of not quite four millions. Losses were sustained under the heads of chemicals and metals, while exports of miscellaneous goods dropped during the period from \$235,885,010 to \$62,450,613.

The balance of trade continues in favor of the Dominion, but the returns do not indicate a movement calculated to reduce the adverse balance in our trade with the United States. Domestic exports to all countries improved only slightly in January, and not sufficiently to prevent a decline in the ten months' record. Imports, on the other hand, have more than held their own, and increased substantially in January. As these represent, in large measure, the purchase of United States goods, the situation does not seem much more hopeful from the standpoint of exchange.

## GERMAN WAR CRIMINALS.

In giving up their demand for the persons of the Germans charged with offences in connection with the war the Allied Governments have rid themselves of an ungrateful task, though an essential one. The Supreme Council has seized upon the offer of the present German Government to try the accused in a German court, as the likeliest way out.

The French, British and Belgian Governments have acted in the whole course of this matter under the compulsion of the fervent, widespread demand in each of their countries for punishment of the war-guilty. They now grasp at the chance to rid themselves of a task easily likely to bring

odium, easily perverted into a gratification of passions under the mere guise of impartiality once intrusted to a court of victors. It may be that the Supreme Council should have accepted the task for all its difficulties, and encountered as the Allied nations were with other troubles; for avoidance of judging accused enemies, the governments had at least a plenty of purely selfish and practical reasons. The world has feared that the German courts would whitewash the accused, if allowed to exercise jurisdiction over them. Perhaps that result will follow. If so, the German nation will have sacrificed deliberately a chance to start the regeneration of its reputation abroad and its own self-respect. But perhaps Germany will give these men an approach to a fair trial. The opinion of a growing number of inhabitants disgusted with the revelations of turpitude in the German conduct of the war will demand forest justice upon the guilty. The Allied Governments have reasons of interest for wanting to expose the militarist clique in all the malign ruthlessness of behavior that the trial and conviction of its heroes would disclose. Above all, consciousness of need to earn the confidence of other nations should inspire Germany to avoid the folly of a deliberate perversion of justice.

A fair German trial of the culprits would bring Germany a stronger Government and a higher standing in the opinion of the world. It would save the Allies from the risk of lowering their own reputations as the champions of a just and dispassionate system of right. Finally it would do away with the theoretical difficulties as to what crimes, beyond the actual infractions of the accepted laws of war, could be brought, in the somewhat indefinite guise of "offences against humanity," before the court of but shadowy authority and responsibility to deal with such things.

The ex-Kaiser, as the chief among the men wanted for these higher misdeeds, so difficult to bring under any extant statute or jurisdiction as crimes, may remain under the protection of the Dutch flag, if the Government of the Netherlands chooses so to interpret the Council's final balance sheet and deal with his case. The note to Germany will afford Holland strong warrant for adopting this interpretation of the note to The Hague.

## STATUS OF CANADA.

The semi-official announcement that legislation will be introduced at the coming session of Parliament defining a semi-diplomatic status for an independent Canadian representative at Washington is of first-rate national importance. It is important for two reasons (1) because the existing system of dealing with our United States neighbors through the consuls and sometimes tortuous London route does not make for efficiency, and (2) because it marks the taking of another important step along the path of constitutional development.

The creation of a Canadian post at Washington which, presumably, will act independently of the British Embassy in regard to matters of pure Canadian-United States concern, is being taken, there is reason to assume, with full British knowledge and consent. At all events, an exchange says, it is a step absolutely in line with sentiment of the leading minds of the Mother Country, as expressed by them on more than one notable occasion during the past couple of years, and the most timid mind regarding Imperial relations need have no fear as to its consequences.

Among the many advantages such an arrangement will have, not the least, we believe, will be that it will fasten upon the United States a realization of the constitutional position of the Dominion. Despite the proximity of the two countries, despite their intimate relations in matters of trade and social intercourse, the amount of United States ignorance as to our international and Imperial status is, as revealed by recent debates in Congress, appalling. This ignorance was not likely to be made less by the maintenance of a condition which made it necessary that even our recent protest in respect of our status as a nation in the League had to be sent via London. But a Canadian representative at Washington, dealing directly with the authorities, ought to make a difference.

SEEK TO AMEND  
TEMPERANCE ACT

Effort to Have Three-Fifths Majority in Referendum Before Act Enforced.

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—During the coming session an attempt will be made to have the Canada Temperance Act amended so that prohibition will not go into effect in any provincial area until a referendum on the question shows a three-fifths majority in favor of the bone dry regime. The Government, it is alleged, will not make it a party matter, and unionist opposition and cross-bencher alike can express their real sentiments. Manitoba has asked for a referendum under the act, and Alberta and Saskatchewan also want one. If the proposed amendment should carry it would practically have the effect of rendering the whole bill invalid as legislatures would not ask so quickly for referendums when it would be so difficult to pass it.

MUCH SICKNESS  
ABOUT MARYSVILLE

Many Citizens Confined to Homes by Severe Colds and Other Afflictions.

(Special despatch to The Daily Gleaner.) Marysville, Feb. 23.—There was a large congregation present at the evening service of the Methodist church on Sunday to hear the pastor, Rev. J. J. Pinkerton's sermon. His subject was, "What I Would Do If I Were 21 Again." The address was for the benefit of young men of 21 or thereabouts and there was a large number of them present. Those who listened to the speaker's statements could not help being benefited by the admonition and advice they contained.

Miss Helen Flood, of St. John, was the weekend guest of Miss Stella Clayton. Mrs. J. W. Rawlings and little daughter, Sadie, of St. John, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Davidson, of St. John.

Mrs. Samuel J. Hallett is confined to her home, suffering from the after-effects of having teeth extracted. Mrs. Samuel Arnold is confined to her home with a severe cold. Mrs. Hayward Brown, who has been ill with a bad cold, is now somewhat improved.

Rev. J. Trafton, of Fredericton, preached at the Reformed Baptist church Sunday afternoon, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. E. W. Lester, who is now in Nova Scotia conducting special religious services.

M. F. Reid has been confined to his room for the past week with a severe cold, but is now recovering. The scholars of Mrs. Stella Cohen's room will hold their annual sleigh drive Saturday afternoon, weather permitting. After the drive the party will be entertained in Castle Hall for a招待.

Master James F. Inch is still confined to his room and, although suffering severely at times, the little fellow is very bright and cheerful and hopes soon to rejoin his playmates.

A dispute over a broken dinner plate led to a settlement in court, has been amicably settled by the parties interested. William P. Smith, of the law firm of Smith, Pincome & Co., left for Edmundston Saturday evening after visiting his parents, Major and Mrs. C. G. Pincome.

Mrs. J. G. Dickson has been suffering from a severe cold for several days, but is now recovering. Miss Mary L. Gibson has recovered from her recent illness and is about again.

Rev. J. J. Pinkerton announced Sunday evening that the Marysville Methodist church had raised \$1,200 in the Forward Movement campaign.

Mrs. Jessie Camber has recovered sufficiently from her recent accident to resume her duties.

A number of young people attended the dance in the Old Gaiety, Fredericton, Saturday evening.

We hear of several who have decided to abstain from smoking cigarettes, eating chocolates and other luxuries during the Lenten season. They are being watched with keen interest by their friends.

Mrs. William A. Moore's condition is steadily improving, and it will be some time before she is able to move about very much.

## FIRE AT MONCTON.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 22.—Fire which broke out shortly before six o'clock last evening in John Abrams & Sons' furniture shop in Fort Street, completely destroyed the moulding shop, burned practically all the concern's stock of patterns and caused a damage estimated at about \$20,000.

## OBITUARY.

Mrs. Susan E. MacAllister. Newcastle, N. B., Feb. 21.—The death of Mrs. Susan E. MacAllister, widow of the late John MacAllister, one of the oldest and most respected residents of the Miramichi, occurred yesterday afternoon at her home here, at the age of 85 years. Deceased before marriage was a Miss Vasson, and was born at Blissfield, in this country. Four of her six children survive, Annie (Mrs. L. H. Scott), Cora (Mrs. D. A. Leach), John, and Miss Clara, at home.

David MacKenzie. — The death of David MacKenzie, a native of Blackville, who went to Saskatchewan a year ago last summer to reside with his son, Isaac, occurred on the 12th instant, at the age of 80 years. He leaves four sons, Isaac and Melvin, in Saskatchewan; John, of Gorham, N. H.; and Gregory, in the West; also one brother, John MacKenzie, of Blackville. Deceased married Miss Jane McGregor, of Millerton, who predeceased him by six years. The body was brought home for interment at Millerton.

Byron R. Grant. Bathurst, N. B., Feb. 19.—Byron R. Grant, a former mechanical foreman in the pulp mill here, died suddenly at Temiskaming, Que., on Saturday last and was buried here on Tuesday, the 17th instant, from the residence of his wife's father, Mr. Robert Loane.

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## The Stock Market

New York, Feb. 23.—The stock market is closed today because of this being Washington's Birthday, a public holiday in the United States.

## Montreal Market.

(By private wire to J. M. Robinson & Sons.)  
Montreal, Feb. 23.—Victory bonds dropped a point and in some cases more on the local exchange today. The market quotations at noon:

Brazilian	44
Brompton Pulp	77 1/2
Canada Cottons	83 1/2
Canada Cement	57
Dominion Iron & Steel	70
Dominion Textile	127 1/2
North American Pulp	127 1/2
General Electric	100 1/2
International Breweries	53
Quebec Railway	29 1/2
Ships common	76 1/2
Ships preferred	76 1/2
Spanish River preferred	121
Spanish River common	84
Steel of Canada common	79 1/2
Victory Bond 1937	100 to 101
Victory Bond 1934	96 to 97
Victory Bond 1933	99 to 100
Victory Bond 1927	99 to 100
Victory Bond 1923	99 to 100
Victory Bond 1925	98 to 99

IN OPEN REVOLT  
OVER PROHIBITION

People of Michigan County  
Take Strong Stand in a  
Liquor Seizure Case.

Chicago, Feb. 22.—Declaring Iron county, Michigan, in open revolt against federal authority, Mayor A. L. Dalrymple, federal prohibition director for the central states, telephoned Washington this afternoon asking that warrants be obtained from Attorney General Palmer for the arrest of the state's attorney of Iron county, two deputy sheriffs, two police officers and three wealthy residents of Iron River. Assistant Prohibition Director Gaylord, at Washington, promised to communicate with Palmer at once.

Leo J. Grove, supervising prohibition agent for northern Michigan, reached Chicago today with the report that he had been held up by the Iron county officials while seizing contraband liquor and eleven barrels of confiscated wine taken from him. The attack on Grove, who was accompanied by three Michigan state constables, was led by State's Attorney H. A. McDonough, of Iron county. The attack, Grove reported, occurred on February 19.

Accompanied by Lieutenant R. G. Strope and Troopers Masters and Kinn, state constables accompanied by he, had seized eleven barrels of raisin wine at the Virgil Location, a mine property near Iron river, when the county and city officials appeared, overpowered him and his aids.

Mayor Dalrymple announced he would lead an armed expedition of Iron county and Michigan state police to Iron river to clean up the county. Full Authority.

Washington, Feb. 22.—State and district prohibition constables have people power under the Volstead prohibition enforcement act to deal with the rebellion against prohibition in Iron county, Michigan, officials here declare. It is predicted that the outbreak will be short lived.

The outbreak is probably the first of its kind in the United States since the prohibition act was passed. The historical "whiskey rebellion" of President Washington's first term, when bandits of farmers in western Pennsylvania took steps to arrest the excise taxes, then an innovation. Tax collectors and citizens who sympathized with them were tarred and feathered.

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The range of wolf prices was from four dollars each to sixty dollars each. Total sales for the day were one million, five hundred thousand dollars. The grand total, with three days to go is six million, seven hundred thousand dollars.

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