

"Made in Canada" Food Production Increasing

Manufacturing Food Product Industries Have Production Exceeding \$377,000,000—Over 61,000 Employed and Pay Roll Over \$29,000,000—Large Sugar Refineries, Canneries and Other Food Industries Located in The Maritime Provinces

"Food products" make up the most important departments of the manufacturing industries of Canada. This production is as large in normal times as the next three largest manufacturing productions combined—these three being textiles, iron and steel, and lumber. The manufacturing of food products has an output in normal times of approximately \$400,000,000 in one year. Owing to war orders and increased exports, the output is much larger at the present time.

In the postal census taken last year, for figures which would show the production of 1915 rather than that of the whole of 1916, there was a value of the output of \$377,811,758. Altogether there were in Canada 7,470 establishments making food products, with a combined capital represented of \$198,246,942. The employees on salaries and wages numbered 61,000, and the pay roll was placed at around \$29,000,000. The production of food products in this census was shown to be about three times as valuable as the textile production.

The increases since 1910 in the food products industries are shown in the following figures:

Year	Capital of Companies.	Wages paid.	Salaries paid.	Value of Products.
1910	\$133,044,523	\$14,492,568		\$245,669,321
1915	198,246,942	21,946,588	\$7,829,593	377,811,758

The war trade in food products in 1915 was comparatively small, being only \$5,789,354, but this trade was much increased in 1916, and is very large at the present time. The war trade in food products now is chiefly in flour. There was a considerable war trade in canned products which included fish and fruits, and also in various cereals.

The share of the Maritime Provinces in these food products is largely in canned and boxed fish, fresh and canned fruits and in vegetables. There were fairly large exports of potatoes to England from the Maritime Provinces last year and will likely be larger exports this year. The food industries of New Brunswick, other than flour mills, include a number of important fish canneries, one or two of Canada's largest chocolate and biscuit manufactories and smaller meat packing, fruit and other industries. Nova Scotia also contributes a generous share to the Maritime output in canned and boxed fish. The sardines of New Brunswick and the lobsters of Nova Scotia are almost world-famous, just as the salmon of British Columbia has become world-wide in its reputation.

Most of the largest flour milling industries and cereal mills of the Dominion are in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, but there are a number of smaller mills of importance scattered throughout the Maritime Provinces, with several important mills located in the west. Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta have become very important milling centres in recent years.

The Maritime Provinces have two of Canada's largest and most important sugar refineries, the large Atlantic Refinery at St. John and the Acadia at Halifax. These, with the refinery at Vancouver, are among the largest sugar refineries on the continent. Sugar made in the Maritime Provinces is sold in every province in Canada, even competing with the local sugar in British Columbia.

The value of the fish exports in 1916 was \$22,377,977 as compared with \$19,687,068 in the previous year. Over \$6,000,000 was represented in the fish exports to the United Kingdom and over \$8,000,000 in such exports to the United States.

The fruit exports in 1916 were worth about \$1,200,000, including fresh, canned and preserved fruits. The exports were largely to the United Kingdom, which accounted for more than \$800,000 of the total fruit exports of the year. Large quantities of apples are sent from the Maritime Provinces every year to the Old Country.

The total exports of agricultural products from Canada last year were valued at \$249,661,194, but not more than half of this could be included under the caption on "Manufactured Foodstuffs." The largest exports were of course in flour and in canned and boxed fish, vegetables, fruits, etc. Nearly all of the 1916 food exports were to the United Kingdom and to the United States, the latter country taking a very large percentage of the dairy products, also of the berries and fresh small fruits exported from Canada. The canned meats exported in 1916 were valued at nearly \$3,000,000 and very much larger figures will be shown in this department for 1917.

The cheese exports in 1916 were worth \$26,690,500, the largest cheese exports in the history of Canada. These exports exceeded the previous year by nearly \$7,000,000 and almost the entire cheese exports were to the United Kingdom. The figures for cheese were as follows:

To the United Kingdom	\$26,389,013
To the United States	22,514
To other Countries	269,973

In the fish exports the canned salmon accounted for \$6,306,000 and the canned lobsters for \$2,672,000.

Food production in Canada is on the increase, these increases being shown in almost every department, including the farm and the fisheries. The exports of food products and the output of food products which come under the classifications of manufactured articles show substantial growth, and the exports particularly show that Canada is helping the Allies with food as well as with men.

At the same time Canada's imports of food products are almost alarmingly high. Millions of dollars are spent annually for the well advertised brands of canned meats, canned soups, canned fruits and canned vegetables of the United States, and very large quantities of canned and bottled food products are imported from Europe, the latter being less since the outbreak of the war. Canada's imports of fruits and nuts amount to about \$14,000,000 annually. The imports of breadstuffs amount to over \$7,000,000 annually; vegetable imports to \$2,000,000 and provision imports to \$12,000,000 annually.

The statistics show the optimistic condition of manufactured foodstuffs increasing much more rapidly in exports from Canada than in imports into Canada, and while much of this trade is due to war orders, it is hoped that a continuance of this export trade will be enjoyed after the war.

Progress in Exports of Food Products

THE FOLLOWING CHART INDICATES THE INCREASES IN THE CHEESE EXPORTS FROM CANADA, SHOWING THE PROGRESS IN THIS ONE DEPARTMENT OF "MADE IN CANADA" FOOD PRODUCTS.

1895,	\$6,983,227
1900,	\$24,580,266
1905,	\$31,932,329
1910,	\$40,087,017
1915,	\$51,740,989
1916,	\$66,589,861

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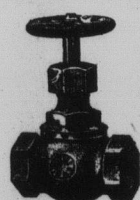
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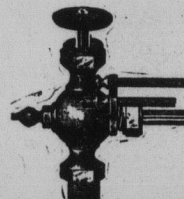
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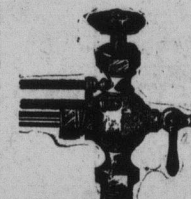
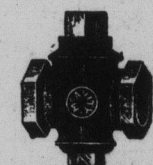
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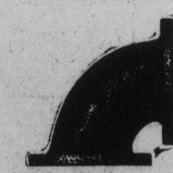
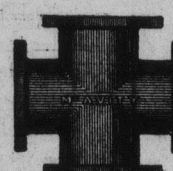
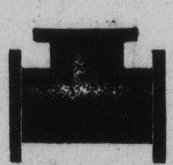
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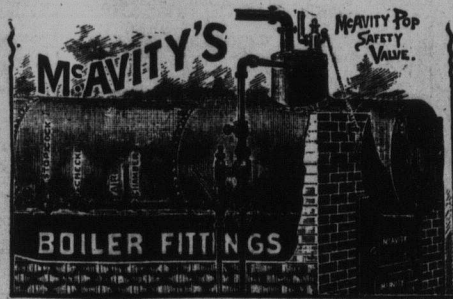


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