

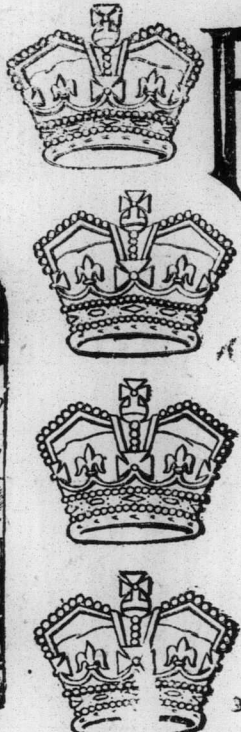
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An Increase of 800 Per Cent. Under Present Administration.

THE growth of rural mail delivery under the present Federal Government has been very rapid in contrast with the advance made during previous years. Practically the whole of Prince Edward Island and all of Old Ontario is now served by this system, while in Quebec, Nova Scotia, and New Brunswick a great advance has been made in bringing prompt mail delivery to the farm. On the Prairie and in British Columbia this necessary service has also been widely extended.

An Increase of 800 Per Cent. When the Conservatives took office in 1911, they found only 16,015 fam-

RURAL MAIL 1911 TO 1915

Comparative Statement of Boxholders and Delivery Routes.

British Columbia	220	1,894
The Whole Dominion		
In the whole Dominion there were on Routes, Boxholders.		
Sept. 30, 1909	281	3,188
Sept. 30, 1911	614	16,015
Mar. 31, 1915	2,912	127,407

Borden the First Imperial Statesman

When Sir Robert Borden sat in council with the British Cabinet it was a definite recognition of Canada's new status in the Empire. Sir Robert was the first statesman from the Overseas Dominion to have such an honor conferred upon him. That it is evident an Imperial Constitution will be the result is indicated by this statement made in the British Parliament by Hon. Arthur H. Steel-Maitland, Under-Secretary for the Colonies.

"It is intended to take the responsible Ministers of the Colonies into our confidence in regard to every matter during the war and also of matters which may arise at the end of the war on the question of settlement of peace. That is the reason why Sir Robert Borden was present the other day at a meeting of the Cabinet. When I see the objections taken by some hon. members to that or to further developments in that direction on the ground that the Dominions should not be involved in the European war, I think it shows a lack of analysis or of imagination. I cannot imagine the Dominions being further involved in European politics than they are at present by their voluntary action."

To British statesmen and Canadian statesmen the Empire has added Imperial statesman. Sir Robert Borden is the first Imperial statesman from the Overseas Dominions. He has seen the consummation of his prophecy and policy—Canada a partner instead of a ward of Great Britain.



HON. T. CHASE CASGRAIN, Postmaster-General. Sketch by McConnell.

ilies being served by rural mail delivery. Last March, the number was 127,407, an increase of 800 per cent.

The following tables indicate how the energetic and progressive postal policy inaugurated by Hon. L. P. Pelletier and continued with even greater energy by Hon. T. Chase Casgrain, has brought a prompt and regular mail service to the farms in all parts of Canada:

Prince Edward Island—	
Routes, Boxholders.	
Sept., 1909	32 400
Sept., 1911	49 922
Mar., 1915	157 7,061
Nova Scotia—	
Sept., 1909	5 36
Sept., 1911	19 247
Mar., 1915	101 2,957
New Brunswick—	
Sept., 1909	14 156
Sept., 1911	50 870
Mar., 1915	204 5,088
Quebec—	
Sept., 1909	8 14
Sept., 1911	27 269
Mar., 1915	426 15,035
Ontario—	
Sept., 1909	158 2,171
Sept., 1911	389 12,578
Mar., 1915	1,805 92,210
Manitoba—	
Sept., 1909	28 143
Sept., 1911	29 263
Mar., 1915	70 1,152
Saskatchewan—	
Sept., 1909	11 87
Sept., 1911	12 181
Mar., 1915	38 787
Alberta—	
Sept., 1909	15 154
Sept., 1911	23 363
Mar., 1915	59 921
British Columbia—	
Sept., 1909	11 102
Sept., 1911	16 322
Mar., 1915	52 2,216

Comparative Increases. The increases by Provinces during the first three and a half years of the present Conservative Administration from September, 1911, to March, 1915—were as follows:

Routes.	
Sept., 1911.	March, 1915.
P. E. Island	18 118
Nova Scotia	12 92
New Brunswick	33 154
Quebec	19 399
Ontario	231 1,416
Manitoba	41 266
Saskatchewan	1 26
Alberta	8 36
British Columbia	5 36
Boxholders.	
Sept., 1911.	March, 1915.
P. E. Island	522 6,139
Nova Scotia	211 2,710
New Brunswick	614 4,218
Quebec	255 14,766
Ontario	10,407 79,632
Manitoba	120 839
Saskatchewan	94 586
Alberta	209 558

The British Foreign Office notified the American Embassy at London that all Americans in Britain were subject to registration.

Customs' Revenue Shows an Increase

July Customs revenue amounted to \$7,492,621, or \$431,259 more than the corresponding period last year. As in July, 1914, was an anti-bellum month it is evident that the new tariff measures of Hon. W. T. White designed to check the decline in revenue have been successful. So far all comparisons have been between months during the war this year and those before the war last year, when ocean transportation facilities had not been interrupted. August returns will afford the first comparison between months in this and the last fiscal year under the same conditions. For the remaining eight months of the present fiscal year it is expected that a very substantial increase in revenue will be shown over the corresponding period in the last fiscal year. Beginning in September, 1914, the revenue declined very rapidly owing to the disruption in transatlantic freight due to the war, and also the uncertainty of the business situation. A return to normal conditions will see an immense increase in revenue, and the July figures clearly indicate that the import trade is being rapidly re-established.

A Worthy Cause That Needs Money

Very generous have been the contributions to the various funds that have been created to assist our soldiers and their dependents. To the patriotic fund used to assist the dependents of those doing service in the Canadian army many millions have been contributed and for a supply of machine guns the response has been wonderful. There is another worthy cause—probably that most entitled to support—the Hospital Commission, presided over by Hon. Senator Longhead. The object of this commission is to care for our sick and wounded returning from service. Many public-spirited citizens have placed their country homes at the disposal of the commission, and to these will be sent the returned soldiers until their health is fully recovered. But although the Government's provision for this work is ample, and the pensions to be paid generous, there will be many cases where further assistance will be required. If the commission had at its disposal funds, they could supplement the amounts received by soldiers in cases where extra aid is required.

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