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Canadian Securities.

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—A cablegram has been received at the department of finance stating that official notice has been given in the London Gazette of the admission of Dominion inscribed stocks to the list of securities in which trust funds should be invested. This is a consummation of the arrangement between the Imperial and Canadian governments that was announced by Mr. Fielding at the last session of parliament.

The trustee list in Britain comprises only gilt edged investments. The importance to Canada of this concession will readily be realized. It may be explained that the difference between the selling price of a security admitted to the trustee list and one shut out from it is from two to three dollars on the hundred. Now that Canadian government securities are admitted to the most favored list in the British money market, this will operate advantageously to other Canadian securities which may be offered from time to time in Britain.

Soo Canal Traffic.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The full returns of the traffic passing through the American and the Canadian "Soo" canals for the present season have been received at the department of railways and canals. There has been a slight increase, about 300,000 tons, in the business done by both canals this year as compared with last season, but there has been a falling grain crop and the traffic passing through the Canadian "Soo" as against the season of 1899. It dropped from three million tons to two million tons.

This is largely accounted for owing to the approaches to the canal being only 15 feet, and as the new vessels are of heavier draught they, therefore, take the American canal. To remedy this a contract has just been let for the deepening of the approaches. Compared with the season of 1899 there was a decrease of three and a half million bushels of wheat, about half a million bushels in grain, and half a million in freight shipped through the canal. A summary of the traffic passing through the canal for 1899 is as follows:

Freight eastbound, United States, 10,102,494; Canada, 1,429,999; total, 20,532,493. Freight westbound, United States, 4,504,300; Canada, 605,730; total, 5,110,580. Totals, 22,007,354. United States; Canada, total, 25,643,073.

The vessel passages were 15,359 for the American and 3,693 by the Canadian, making in all 19,452. The registered tonnage was 20,136,782 by the American, and 2,179,052 by the Canadian, or a total of 22,315,834. The traffic for 1899 is as follows: Eastbound, United States, 18,338,253; Canada, 2,281,281; total, 20,619,534. Westbound, 3,913,896; Canada, 722,390; total, 4,636,276. Totals, 22,252,159. Canada, 3,603,671. Total, 25,255,810. The number of vessels was 15,480 in the American and 2,775 in the Canadian, making a total of 20,255. The registered tonnage was 19,021,489 for the American and 2,836,958 for the Canadian, making in all 21,958,547.

Forestry Association.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The second annual meeting of the Canadian Forestry Association will be held on the 7th of March next. It is expected that at the annual meeting papers will be given dealing with different aspects of forestry as related to the various provinces of the Dominion. As some of the prominent members of the American association, including Mr. Gifford Pinchot and Dr. B. E. Fernow, have indicated their intention of being present at the meeting, it is hoped that arrangements may be made to have an illustrated lecture given in the evening by one of these gentlemen.

The Canadian association has been steadily growing in numbers since its formation, and although it is not yet a year in existence, it has a good membership, including representative men from all parts of the Dominion. It has also been regularly conducting a forestry department in "Red and Green" published in Montreal, and has undoubtedly succeeded in awakening a much greater interest in the forestry problems that face the people of Canada. There is no question that the work which the association proposes to carry out is of the utmost importance for the future of the Dominion, as her forest resources are one of her principal sources of wealth, and on it depends also the existence of many