Industry, during the pretious years that there would likely have been very little left of the woollen industry in Canada by 1914 and consequently this industry would not have beenin a position to produce the immense quantities of goods that were so necessary during the War.

THE ALARMING INCREASE

Imports of woollens from the United Kingdom under the British Freferential Tariff rates show an alarming increase which threatens the future of the Canadian woollen industry. This is illustrated by the following statements which show imports into Canada of manufactured woollens from the United Kingdom under the British Preferential Tariff for the 12 months ending March 51, 1922, as compared with the same imports for the 11 months ending February, 1923.

When the figures for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1923, are available, the increase will be proportionately greater.

STATEMENT SHOWING IMPORTS INTO CANADA OF MANUFACTURED WOOLLENS FROM THE UNITED KING-DCM UNDER THE BRITISH PREFERENTIAL TARIFF.

Statistics shown hereunder obtained from the "Report of the Department of Customs and Excise" for the fiscal year ending 31st, March, 1922 and 11 months ending February 28th, 1923.

Value of imports from United Kingdom under British Preferential Tariff.

Description of Goods

12 mos, ending 11 mos. ending March 31,1922. Feb. 28, 1923.

WOOL, AND MANUFACTURES, COMPOSED CHIEFLY OF WOOL

Yarns, composed wholly or in part of wool, worsted, the hair of the goat or like animal, n.o.p. costing 30¢ per pound or over when imported on the cop, cone or tube, or in the hank, by manufacturers of woollen goods, for use exclusively in their own factories. \$1,970,539 \$3,052,823 Yarns, woollen and worsted, n.o.p. 352,061 420,621 Felt, pressed, of all kinds, not filled or covered by or with any woven fabric 69,122 65,335 Felt cloth, n.o.p. 9,617 50,038 Flannels, plain not fancy 409,329 288,401 Overcoatings 76,692 245,975 Iweeds 2,049,700 2, 731,569 Worsteds and serges, including coatings 8,884,467 9,664,383 Women's and children's dress goods, coat linings, Italian cloths, alpacas, orleans, etc. not exc. in weight 6 ozs. to the square yard when imported in the gray for the purpose of being dyed or finished in Canada 1,716,737 1,735,852 Cassimeres, cloths, doeskins and all fabrics and manufactures composed wholly or in part of wool. worsted, etc., n.o.p. 1,629,338 1,908,441

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