

The speech also says:

My ministers have had under anxious consideration the means by which an orderly marketing of the wheat crop of Western Canada may be assured, and have already taken such effective action towards that end as the circumstances appear to justify. My ministers are aware that changing conditions in the world's markets may necessitate further intervention by my Government, which is prepared to render whatever additional assistance may be deemed advisable in the national interest.

Before concluding my brief reference to the extension of our markets I wish to say a word as to our trade commissioners, and the ministers plenipotentiary, such as we have at Washington, Paris and Tokio. Our ministers plenipotentiary are possibly essential, but I am confident that trade agents and trade commissioners, granted that they are men of energy, industry and experience, are the soundest means of extending our trade with foreign countries. It has been my privilege to come into contact with our trade commissioners in several foreign countries, and it has ever been my belief that the man who is in close touch with the people of any of these foreign countries can do more for the extension of our trade than the so-called ministers plenipotentiary, who, however good they may be, do not come into contact with the "man on the street" as do the trade commissioners.

I wish to refer briefly to the onerous task that has been placed upon the present Minister of Labour, who is a member of this House (Hon. Mr. Robertson), and to express my appreciation of that honourable gentleman. He has been charged with perhaps the most difficult duties that have ever fallen to the lot of any cabinet minister other than the Prime Minister. Surely there is not a member on either side of this House who will not affirm that the Minister of Labour has exhibited great tact, and given evidence that not only is he well-informed, but he also possesses to a great degree those qualities which are so necessary in administering the twenty millions given by this Parliament at the 1930 session for the relief of the great number of unemployed. According to information which I have been able to obtain, 228,351 have been given employment and about four million man-days' work has been supplied from the commencement of operations up to the end of last month. Direct relief has been given to 11,138 families, and to 86,164 individuals. The co-operation of the provincial governments, the municipalities and our two great railway systems was, I may say, all that could be desired. Further, the policy propounded by the present Gov-

ernment for the protection of home industries, and embodied in legislation placed in the Statutes of Canada at the special session has, though the time has been short, given very favourable results in securing the establishment of foreign industries in this country and the reopening of industries that for many years had been closed. Some of these may be mentioned.

The Herbert Hosiery Company have established at Toronto.

The Joseph Dixon Crucible Company, of Jersey City, have taken over the Cane Pencil Company at Newmarket.

Eastern Power Devices, Limited, of Greensburg, Pa., have established at Toronto.

Western Canadian Silks, Limited, at Port Moody, B.C.

Everett & Barron Company, of Providence, R.I., established a branch at Toronto under the name of Everett & Barron of Canada, Limited, to manufacture shoe dressings, leather dyes, etc.

Hield Brothers, Limited, of Crossmills, England, are establishing here, very probably at Kingston.

Steadfast Rubber Company, an American firm, have established at Granby, P.Q.

The Esmond Mills, of Esmond, R.I., have established a plant at Granby, P.Q., where they will manufacture their famous make of blankets.

Messrs. Hiram, Leach & Company, Limited, English woollen manufacturers, are establishing a branch factory at Huntingdon, P.Q.

Campbell Soup Company have established in Canada at New Toronto, as Canadian Campbell Soup, Limited.

Anaconda American Brass Company have also established at New Toronto.

Four United States manufacturers of electrical equipment have established in this country, namely, the Curtis Lighting Company, the Wheeler Reflector Company, the Dennison Electric Company, the Packard Cable Company, of Warren, Ohio.

The Bundy Incubator Company have established at Oshawa, and the Shaeffer-Ross Company, of New York, the Newton Products, Limited, the Everlastic Rubber Company, and the Lynn Canadian Company, manufacturers of oil-burning equipment, have all established in Canada.

A. W. Higgins Company, of Presque Ile, Maine, have established a fertilizing plant at West St. John, N.B., which is only one of many fertilizing plants which have either reopened or been established since the tariff changes of August last.