

As illustrating the comprehensiveness of the enquiry, it might be mentioned that under the first heading straw, fodders and such commodities as wheat, Western and Eastern, Oats, Western and Eastern; Barley, Western and Eastern; corn; rye; peas; hay; straw, bran; shorts &c. are covered and that other groups are similarly comprehensive.

In the case of each commodity a table showing actual wholesale prices ruling in the governing market in Canada on the opening market day of each month, from the year 1890 to 1909 was obtained. These are set forth in full detail. Following this a series of "relative" numbers have been constructed in which the average yearly price shown for the article in the first series of tables is expressed as a percentage of the average price prevailing for the commodity in the decade 1890--1899. Supplementing this statistical data, a number of charts set forth in a graphic way the course of prices of the more important commodities during the twenty year period, both singly and in combination with other leading commodities.

(Insert here information as to No. of quotations embraced in enquiry.)

(See Colliers, 1910 for data)

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