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Month	New Brunswick		Nova Scotia		Prince Edward Island		Yukon	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
January	990	481						
February	5	17	12,000	5,114			600	180
March	5	17	26,997	9,433				
April	36	105	57	143				
May	26	42	17	43				
June	39	10						
July			107	90				
August								
September								
October	150	70						
November	310	135					90	47
December	60	33						
Totals	1,635	910	40,938	15,004	7	24	690	200

TOTAL FOR CALENDAR YEAR

	Dozens	Value
British Columbia	182,840	49,071
Alberta	27,373	87,195
Saskatchewan	27,622	87,195
Manitoba	251,702	89,709
Ontario	1,084,094	381,982
Quebec	1,114,525	385,790
New Brunswick	1,635	910
Nova Scotia	40,938	15,004
Prince Edward Island	7	24
Yukon	690	200
Totals	2,721,726	957,770

Eggs FOR DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION
Imports by Province and Months for 1926. Calendar Year

Month	British Columbia		Alberta		Saskatchewan	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
January	8,095	2,387				
February	6,933	2,398	90	27		
March	9,925	3,024				
April	9,294	3,856	15	48	35	51
May	2,356	1,456	2	24	140	941
June	2,451	854			20	267
July	86,635	13,969			47	241
August						
September	35,200	6,456				
October	105,000	19,835				
November	2,859	1,037				
December	10,194	3,265	240	98		
Totals	250,005	45,418	36,990	16,023	313	968

Month	Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
January	14,650	5,105				
February	3,650	1,073	56,194	20,439	75,377	6,280
March	30,633	8,589	675,098	143,088	306,559	98,322
April	184	352	1,057,262	265,973	1,135,514	812,489
May	225	447	30,228	11,177	130,521	57,949
June	169	178	1,989	3,257	105	191
July	11	178	1,535	1,042	174	99
August			1,100	354	60,794	10,327
September			400	212	43,250	8,261
October			26,250	7,555	80,000	10,567
November			81,420	20,987	94,500	33,609
December	5,406	2,468	12,179	5,414	12,300	4,443
Totals	55,204	18,816	1,796,456	521,942	1,963,094	845,696

Month	New Brunswick		Nova Scotia		Prince Edward Island		Yukon	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
January	30	14						
February	30	11	12,000	3,000			900	229
March	21	57	21,540	5,641				
April	41	15	5	17				
May	42	5	30	17				
June	2	15						
July								
August	397	183					90	24
September								
October							72	76
November	215	88						
December	60	30						
Totals	637	464	33,556	8,888	5	49	1,002	426

TOTAL FOR CALENDAR YEAR

	Dozens	Value
British Columbia	250,005	55,413
Alberta	35,929	15,022
Saskatchewan	313	968
Manitoba	55,204	18,816
Ontario	1,796,456	521,942
Quebec	1,963,094	845,696
New Brunswick	637	464
Nova Scotia	33,556	8,888
Prince Edward Island	5	49
Yukon	1,002	426
Totals	4,156,474	1,167,674

Memorandum concerning the importation of Chinese eggs into Canada.

The customs figures giving the importations of whole eggs into Canada from the Orient do not distinguish between salt duck eggs and hen eggs. The figures given in the accompanying table are those taken directly from the customs report.

For the most part these figures represent the importations of Chinese salt duck eggs with the exception of the fiscal year 1924, when some Chinese hen eggs did come into Canada. On inspection a large proportion of these were diverted to the United States, only a small quantity being held for local sale in Calgary by a representative of the oriental exporter. These eggs incidentally found very slow sale.

Previous to the introduction of the import regulations of 1922 large shipments of Chinese eggs reached Canada, a number of which were turned back to the United States through the cooperation of the Department of Health because of their containing such a large volume unit for human consumption.

Accompanying is a statement of the exact nature of the so-called Chinese salt duck eggs or "century eggs", which comprise the bulk of the imports given in the customs figures.

Chinese salt eggs

More or less is heard about the Chinese "century eggs". These are duck eggs which have been preserved by a coating of mud, rice hulls, lime and wood ashes. The whites become a transparent brownish green, and the yolks a yellowish green. These eggs are held in the preservative for 100 days, and it is probably from this that the name "century eggs" arose. These eggs are considered a banquet delicacy. They do not have a disagreeable odor but taste "eggy". The egg plays an important part in many Chinese customs. In some places, when a child is born, the father sends a red egg, an egg the shell of which has been dyed red, to each of his many friends. Upon receipt of such eggs, the friends return a gift or some money.

Importations of whole eggs from Hong Kong

Year	Dozens
1922	116,871
1923	122,255
1924	58,044
1925	51,836
1926	50,964

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR—MEDIATION WORK

Mr. MERCIER (Laurier-Outremont):

In how many disputes was the intervention of the Department of Labour sought and mediation work done?

(a) Under the provisions of the Conciliation Act, from 1900 to date?

(b) Under the provisions of the Railway Labour Disputes Act, from 1903 to date?

Hon. Mr. RINFRET: No. 1 was dropped yesterday.

Mr. SPEAKER: Dropped.

REPARATIONS COMMISSIONER—INTERIM REPORT

Mr. CANTLEY:

1. Is the so-called interim report of the reparations commissioner final in respect to the 1,497 awards mentioned therein?

2. Does the reparations commissioner agree with a statement made in the House of Commons that the so-called interim report was subject to revision in the final report on the 13 remaining claims?

3. Has the final report of the reparations commissioner on the 13 remaining claims been delivered to the Secretary of State or to his department?

4. Has the commissioner advised when the final or supplementary report will be ready?

5. Is the government aware of the fact that a great number of these claimants are in impoverished circumstances?

Hon. Mr. RINFRET: That was replied to on Monday.

Mr. SPEAKER: Answered.

WALTER H. KIRCHNER

Mr. SPENCER:

1. What reason was given by the Vancouver harbour commission for the dismissal of Walter H. Kirchner, accountant, Ballantyne pier, Vancouver, British Columbia?

2. Was he an efficient worker?

3. How long was he in the service of the Vancouver harbour commission?

4. Is he a war veteran?

5. Was his successor a returned soldier?

6. What salary did the accountant preceding Mr. Kirchner receive?

7. What salary did Mr. Kirchner receive for performing similar duties?

8. What salary did Mr. Kirchner receive before asking for an investigation of his charge against the Vancouver harbour commission of exploiting the labour of non-political returned soldier employees?

9. What reason was given by the Vancouver harbour commission for temporarily withholding twenty-five dollars (\$25) per month for eight (8) months from Mr. Kirchner's salary?

10. Have portions of salaries earned by other employees of the Vancouver harbour commission been similarly withheld?

11. Was any recompense made or suggested to Mr. Kirchner by the Vancouver harbour commission for their action in withholding a portion of his salary for eight months?

12. When Mr. Kirchner assumed the duties of accountant, Ballantyne pier, why was the title of "accountant" added to the employee performing the junior duties of cashier?

13. Did the cashier who was given the additional title of "accountant" perform any of the accounting duties of the Ballantyne pier?

14. Was the cashier of Ballantyne pier capable of performing the duties of accountant of the Ballantyne pier?

15. What is the title of the cashier of the Ballantyne pier to-day?

16. Was the salary of the cashier of the Ballantyne pier increased from one hundred and sixty dollars to one hundred and eighty dollars per month at the time he received the additional title of "accountant"?

17. Was the increase of twenty dollars per month given to the cashier as extra remuneration for supposedly performing accounting duties in addition to his duties of cashier?

18. Were the duties for which the cashier received additional remuneration performed by Mr. Kirchner?

19. What authority have the Vancouver harbour commissioners to turn over portions of a salary earned by one employee to another?

20. Is the position of accountant senior to that of cashier in the Vancouver harbour commission?

21. Has it been the general practice of the Vancouver harbour commissioners for employees performing senior duties to come under the jurisdiction of men doing junior work?

22. Why were such conditions imposed upon Walter H. Kirchner?

23. Were such conditions imposed upon his predecessor or his successor?

24. On or about the 10th September was the comptroller of the Vancouver harbour commission instructed by the commissioners to draw up a recommendation covering Mr. Kirchner's case, and what was that recommendation?

25. Was the recommendation by the comptroller minuted?

26. Has the government of Canada no jurisdiction over the actions of the Vancouver harbour commissioners against returned soldiers?

27. Did Walter H. Kirchner appeal to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries for justice?

28. Is the action of the late Vancouver harbour commissioners against Walter H. Kirchner endorsed by the government of Canada?

Mr. SPENCER: As this will probably be the last day of the session, I trust the answer to this question will be sent to me at my home address.