War Supply

The most graphic index of the progress made in furnishing needed munitions and other war supplies and equipment is perhaps the total of war contracts let. On August 12, we had awarded for the account of Canada, contracts to the total amount of \$302,000,000.

By November 14, that amount had been increased to more than \$443,000,000. Of the \$443,000,000 worth of contracts, 87 per cent have been placed in Canada, 8 per cent in the United Kingdom, and 5 per cent in the United States.

In addition to these amounts, Canadian industry had undertaken as of September 3, 1940, total contracts from the government of the United Kingdom in the amount of \$134,000,000 for equipment and supplies, and commitments have been made by the United Kingdom for capital expenditure of an additional \$81,900,000.

The figure of \$443,000,000 which I mentioned a few minutes ago, represents contracts for the delivery of munitions, supplies and equipment. We have also made commitments for capital expenditures in the form of plant construction and extensions to the amount of \$235,000,000. These capital commitments include: