

## BUILDING PERMITS COMPARED

### RETURNS FOR THIRTY-FIVE CITIES.

| DEPARTMENT<br>OF LABOUR<br>FIGURES | August<br>1916 | Sept.,<br>1916 | Sept.<br>1915 | Sept., 1916, compared<br>with Sept., 1915. |            |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------------------|------------|
|                                    |                |                |               | Increase +                                 | Decrease - |
|                                    |                |                |               |                                            |            |
| <b>CITIES</b>                      | \$             | \$             | \$            | \$                                         |            |
| NOVA SCOTIA.....                   | 107,366        | 299,025        | 146,590       | + 152,435                                  | + 103.99   |
| Halifax.....                       | 93,516         | 284,235        | 135,045       | + 149,190                                  | + 110.47   |
| Sydney.....                        | 13,850         | 14,790         | 11,545        | + 3,245                                    | + 28.11    |
| <b>NEW BRUNSWICK.....</b>          | 41,120         | 34,150         | 123,672       | - 89,522                                   | - 72.39    |
| Moncton.....                       | 17,870         | 12,900         | 95,672        | - 82,772                                   | - 86.52    |
| St. John.....                      | 23,250         | 21,250         | 28,000        | - 6,750                                    | - 24.07    |
| <b>QUEBEC.....</b>                 | 801,894        | 617,174        | 793,886       | - 86,712                                   | - 12.32    |
| Maisonneuve.....                   | 38,000         | 1,800          | 900           | + 900                                      | + 100.00   |
| Montreal.....                      | 602,340        | 205,456        | 341,211       | - 135,785                                  | - 39.78    |
| Quebec.....                        | 114,869        | 243,633        | 284,555       | - 40,922                                   | - 14.38    |
| Sherbrooke.....                    | 11,300         | 6,500          | 22,550        | - 16,050                                   | - 71.17    |
| Three Rivers.....                  | 5,500          | 140,235        | 10,150        | + 130,085                                  | + 1,282.61 |
| Westmount.....                     | 29,885         | 19,550         | 44,320        | - 24,970                                   | - 56.09    |
| <b>ONTARIO.....</b>                | 2,319,442      | 1,528,376      | 1,157,213     | + 371,163                                  | + 32.07    |
| Berlin.....                        | 26,402         | 21,865         | 31,510        | - 9,645                                    | - 30.69    |
| Brantford.....                     | 105,470        | 58,090         | 5,295         | + 50,795                                   | + 959.30   |
| Fort William.....                  | 33,325         | 101,600        | 3,300         | + 98,300                                   | + 2,978.78 |
| Guelph.....                        | 4,965          | 12,400         | 11,350        | + 1,050                                    | + 9.02     |
| Hamilton.....                      | 356,695        | 166,990        | 304,730       | - 137,740                                  | - 45.21    |
| Kingston.....                      | 25,083         | 6,071          | 15,076        | - 9,005                                    | - 59.73    |
| London.....                        | 107,985        | 39,710         | 41,850        | - 2,140                                    | - 5.11     |
| Ottawa.....                        | 118,750        | 135,100        | 85,100        | + 50,000                                   | + 58.75    |
| Peterborough.....                  | 12,035         | 16,145         | 1,545         | + 14,600                                   | + 944.98   |
| Port Arthur.....                   | 180,755        | 93,035         | 2,220         | + 90,815                                   | + 4,090.76 |
| Stratford.....                     | 19,975         | 15,963         | 17,065        | - 1,102                                    | - 6.46     |
| St. Catharines.....                | 91,499         | 54,110         | 37,008        | + 17,102                                   | + 46.21    |
| St. Thomas.....                    | 7,590          | 49,300         | 5,190         | + 44,110                                   | + 849.51   |
| Toronto.....                       | 1,107,318      | 643,572        | 518,589       | + 124,783                                  | + 24.06    |
| Windsor.....                       | 123,715        | 116,625        | 77,385        | + 39,240                                   | + 50.71    |
| <b>MANITOBA.....</b>               | 224,150        | 237,548        | 290,800       | - 53,252                                   | - 18.31    |
| Brandon.....                       | 60,700         | 5,896          |               | + 5,696                                    |            |
| Winnipeg.....                      | 163,450        | 231,850        | 290,800       | - 58,950                                   | - 20.27    |
| <b>SASKATCHEWAN.....</b>           | 110,450        | 130,695        | 14,480        | + 116,215                                  | + 802.45   |
| Moose Jaw.....                     | 9,200          | 109,200        | 9,930         | + 99,270                                   | + 999.69   |
| Regina.....                        | 97,250         | 9,550          | 4,350         | + 5,200                                    | + 119.54   |
| Saskatoon.....                     | 4,000          | 11,945         | 200           | + 11,745                                   | + 5,872.50 |
| <b>ALBERTA.....</b>                | 83,900         | 141,930        | 40,800        | + 101,130                                  | + 247.87   |
| Calgary.....                       | 32,500         | 101,400        | 16,000        | + 85,400                                   | + 533.75   |
| Edmonton.....                      | 51,400         | 40,530         | 24,800        | + 15,730                                   | + 63.43    |
| <b>BRITISH COLUMBIA.....</b>       | 633,279        | 433,760        | 62,500        | + 371,167                                  | + 592.99   |
| New Westminster.....               | 4,650          | 15,635         |               | + 8,885                                    | + 131.63   |
| Vancouver.....                     | 625,879        | 415,350        |               | + 370,857                                  | + 835.51   |
| Victoria.....                      | 2,750          | 2,775          | 6,950         | - 8,575                                    | - 75.58    |
| <b>Total.....</b>                  | 4,321,601      | \$3,422,658    | \$2,540,034   | + 882,624                                  | + 34.75    |

## MONEY MARKETS

Messrs. Glazebrook and Cronyn, exchange and bond brokers, Toronto, report exchange rates as follows:—

|                                   | Buyers.   | Sellers.  | Counter.                       |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| N.Y. funds .....                  | 3-32 dis. | 5-64 dis. | $\frac{3}{8}$                  |
| Mont. funds .....                 | par       | par       | $\frac{3}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| Sterling—                         |           |           |                                |
| Demand .....                      | \$4.75    | \$4.75.20 | \$4.78                         |
| Cable transfers .....             | \$4.75.80 | \$4.76    | \$4.79                         |
| Rates in New York—Sterling,       |           | demand,   | \$4.75 $\frac{3}{8}$ to        |
| \$4.75 9-16.                      |           |           |                                |
| Bank of England rate. 6 per cent. |           |           |                                |

## INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

| (DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR<br>FIGURES)            |      | No. of<br>Commod-<br>ities | INDEX NUMBERS |              |               |
|----------------------------------------------|------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
|                                              |      |                            | Sept.<br>1916 | Aug.<br>1916 | Sept.<br>1915 |
| <b>I. GRAINS AND FODDERS:</b>                |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Grains, Ontario.....                         | 6    | 236.3                      | 206.2         | 157.6        |               |
| Western.....                                 | 4    | 206.6                      | 195.9         | 138.2        |               |
| Fodder.....                                  | 5    | 161.8                      | 159.4         | 178.6        |               |
| All.....                                     | 15   | 201.1                      | 187.8         | 159.6        |               |
| <b>II. ANIMALS AND MEATS:</b>                |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Cattle and beef.....                         | 6    | 210.5                      | 216.9         | 206.1        |               |
| Hogs and hog products.....                   | 6    | 212.8                      | 221.1         | 168.9        |               |
| Sheep and mutton.....                        | 3    | 193.1                      | 213.6         | 159.3        |               |
| Poultry.....                                 | 2    | 241.6                      | 267.9         | 218.6        |               |
| All.....                                     | 17   | 211.9                      | 223.8         | 186.2        |               |
| <b>III. DAIRY PRODUCTS:</b>                  |      |                            |               |              |               |
| <b>IV. FISH:</b>                             |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Prepared fish.....                           | 3    | 165.7                      | 154.8         | 148.8        |               |
| Fresh fish.....                              | 3    | 192.3                      | 156.3         | 157.3        |               |
| All.....                                     | 9    | 174.6                      | 153.3         | 151.6        |               |
| <b>V. OTHER FOODS:</b>                       |      |                            |               |              |               |
| (a) Fruits and vegetables                    |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Fresh fruits, native.....                    | 5    | 96.7                       | 99.4          | 1.9          |               |
| Fresh fruits, foreign.....                   | 3    | 113.1                      | 121.5         | 101.4        |               |
| Dried fruits.....                            | 4    | 167.0                      | 163.9         | 136.2        |               |
| Fresh vegetables.....                        | 5    | 262.6                      | 303.2         | 150.4        |               |
| Canned vegetables.....                       | 3    | 132.4                      | 127.0         | 89.8         |               |
| All.....                                     | 20   | 160.2                      | 164.3         | 114.0        |               |
| (a) Miscellaneous groceries and provisions   |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Breadstuffs.....                             | 10   | 178.6                      | 169.0         | 144.8        |               |
| Ten, coffee, etc.....                        | 4    | 132.7                      | 126.5         | 121.9        |               |
| Sugar, etc.....                              | 6    | 166.3                      | 163.4         | 153.3        |               |
| Condiments.....                              | 5    | 141.7                      | 141.7         | 131.8        |               |
| All.....                                     | 25   | 160.9                      | 155.4         | 140.6        |               |
| <b>VI. TEXTILES:</b>                         |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Woolens.....                                 | 5    | 223.6                      | 224.6         | 197.6        |               |
| Cottons.....                                 | 4    | 165.0                      | 165.7         | 130.6        |               |
| Silks.....                                   | 3    | 108.8                      | 108.8         | 85.9         |               |
| Jutes.....                                   | 2    | 306.2                      | 306.2         | 247.9        |               |
| Flax products.....                           | 4    | 224.6                      | 224.8         | 165.6        |               |
| Oilcloths.....                               | 2    | 139.8                      | 132.5         | 116.4        |               |
| All.....                                     | 20   | 195.4                      | 194.6         | 153.0        |               |
| <b>VII. HIDES, LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES:</b> |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Hides and tallow.....                        | 4    | 290.0                      | 290.0         | 207.4        |               |
| Leather.....                                 | 4    | 206.6                      | 202.8         | 174.3        |               |
| Boots and shoes.....                         | 3    | 198.3                      | 198.3         | 162.4        |               |
| All.....                                     | 11   | 235.4                      | 233.3         | 193.1        |               |
| <b>VIII. METALS AND IMPLEMENTS:</b>          |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Iron and steel.....                          | 11   | 147.5                      | 142.5         | 109.4        |               |
| Other metals.....                            | 12   | 228.2                      | 214.2         | 206.1        |               |
| Implements.....                              | 10   | 141.9                      | 139.5         | 113.2        |               |
| All.....                                     | 33   | 175.1                      | 167.6         | 145.7        |               |
| <b>IX. FUEL AND LIGHTING:</b>                |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Fuel.....                                    | 6    | 152.9                      | 149.5         | 119.5        |               |
| Lighting.....                                | 4    | 91.4                       | 92.4          | 80.0         |               |
| All.....                                     | 10   | 128.3                      | 126.6         | 167.7        |               |
| <b>X. BUILDING MATERIALS:</b>                |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Lumber.....                                  | 14   | 182.9                      | 182.1         | 174.1        |               |
| Miscellaneous materials.....                 | 20   | 156.6                      | 153.4         | 118.9        |               |
| Paints, oils and glass.....                  | 14   | 191.1                      | 190.3         | 160.6        |               |
| All.....                                     | 48   | 174.3                      | 172.5         | 147.1        |               |
| <b>XI. HOUSE FURNISHINGS:</b>                |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Furniture.....                               | 6    | 172.0                      | 146.6         | 145.9        |               |
| Crockery and glassware.....                  | 4    | 181.9                      | 189.2         | 170.3        |               |
| Table cutlery.....                           | 2    | 90.1                       | 90.1          | 80.3         |               |
| Kitchen furnishings.....                     | 4    | 132.3                      | 132.5         | 125.5        |               |
| All.....                                     | 16   | 156.8                      | 146.7         | 138.7        |               |
| <b>XII. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS:</b>             |      |                            |               |              |               |
| <b>XIII. MISCELLANEOUS:</b>                  |      |                            |               |              |               |
| Raw furs.....                                | 4    | 292.3                      | 292.3         | 153.1        |               |
| Liquors and tobacco.....                     | 6    | 145.9                      | 144.0         | 126.3        |               |
| Sundries.....                                | 7    | 143.3                      | 143.4         | 116.0        |               |
| All.....                                     | 17   | 179.0                      | 178.6         | 131.8        |               |
| All commodities.....                         | 266* | 180.7                      | 178.5         | 150.3        |               |

\* Five commodities off the market, fruits, vegetables, etc. One line of spelter was dropped in 1915. † Revised.

## MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE—UNLISTED SECURITIES

WEEK ENDED NOVEMBER 29TH

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