

BUILDING PERMITS COMPARED

RETURNS FOR THIRTY-FIVE CITIES.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES	November 1916	December 1916	December 1915	Dec., 1916, compared with Dec., 1915.	
				Increase+	Decrease-
				Amount	Per Cent.
CITIES	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Nova Scotia.....	121,185	61,020	129,708	-68,683	-52.92
Halifax.....	99,485	52,820	127,128	-74,308	-58.45
Sydney.....	21,700	8,200	2,580	+5,620	+217.83
NEW BRUNSWICK	19,800	18,100	24,675	+6,575	-26.65
Moncton.....	4,800	16,100	1,800	+14,300	+794.44
St. John.....	15,000	2,000	22,875	-20,875	-91.26
QUEBEC	1,847,255	487,384	2,246,391	-1,759,007	-78.30
Maisonneuve.....	15,550		7,000	-7,000	
Montreal.....	865,530	298,000	2,044,425	-1,746,425	-85.42
Quebec.....	783,875	89,069	113,016	-23,947	-21.19
Sherbrooke.....	20,000	88,500	6,000	+82,500	+1,375.00
Three Rivers.....	127,100	3,750	75,650	-71,900	-95.04
Westmount.....	35,200	8,065	300	+7,765	+2,588.33
ONTARIO	1,632,193	3,817,600	1,071,712	+2,745,888	+256.21
Brantford.....	9,945	5,375	11,515	-6,140	-53.32
Port William.....	4,225	15,000	800	+14,200	+1,775.00
Guelph.....		48,750	2,710	+41,040	+1,514.39
Hamilton.....	183,420	112,445	76,470	+35,975	+47.07
Kingston.....	10,053	2,870	40,628	-37,758	-92.93
Kitchener.....	7,760	13,825	2,500	+11,325	+81.89
London.....	64,850	18,705	24,270	+5,565	-22.93
Ottawa.....	150,575	41,125	31,450	+9,675	+30.76
Peterborough.....	5,040	1,025	1,620	-595	-36.73
Port Arthur.....	3,454	6,272	1,076	+5,196	+482.89
Stratford.....	6,485	115	4,320	-4,205	-97.35
St. Catharines.....	57,470	36,145	50,570	-14,425	-28.52
St. Thomas.....	10,890	4,700	320	+4,380	+1,368.75
Toronto.....	948,026	3,428,848	696,863	+2,731,985	+392.04
Windsor.....	170,000	87,400	126,600	-39,200	-30.97
MANITOBA	209,900	29,025	7,000	-22,025	+314.60
Brandon.....	16,500	125	1,200	-1,075	-89.58
Winnipeg.....	193,400	28,900	5,800	+23,100	+398.23
SASKATCHEWAN	15,480	18,380	15,600	+2,780	+17.83
Moose Jaw.....	6,050	125	10,500	-10,375	-98.81
Regina.....	4,620	2,655	400	+2,255	+563.75
Saskatoon.....	4,810	15,600	4,700	+10,900	+231.91
ALBERTA	72,700	29,700	10,300	+19,400	+188.35
Calgary.....	38,400	9,200	7,550	+1,650	+21.85
Edmonton.....	34,300	20,500	2,750	+17,750	+645.45
BRITISH COLUMBIA	112,495	311,940	43,915	+268,025	+610.33
New Westminster.....	4,725	1,700	1,335	+365	+27.34
Vancouver.....	100,695	286,365	27,180	+259,185	+953.59
Victoria.....	7,075	23,875	15,400	+8,475	+55.03
Total	\$4,031,008	\$4,773,149	\$3,549,301	+1,223,848	+35.04

MONEY MARKETS

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

	Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N.Y. funds.....	11-16 pm	25-32 pm	1%
Mont. funds.....	par	par	3/8 to 1/4
Sterling—			

Demand.....	\$4.78.00	\$4.79.25	\$4.81
Cable transfers.....	\$4.79.60	\$4.79.00	\$4.82
Rate in New York for sterling demand, \$4.75 1/2.			
Bank of England rate, 5 1/2 per cent.			

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES)	No. of Commodities	INDEX NUMBERS		
		Dec. 1916	Nov. 1916	Dec. 1915
I. GRAINS AND FODDERS:				
Grains, Ontario.....	6	276.2	285.6	184.2
Western.....	4	241.1	263.9	165.0
Fodder.....	5	193.3	186.6	166.9
All.....	15	239.2	246.7	173.3
II. ANIMALS AND MEATS:				
Cattle and beef.....	6	229.6	210.7	203.6
Hogs and hog products.....	6	200.6	220.3	175.2
Sheep and mutton.....	3	213.5	204.0	172.1
Poultry.....	2	264.1	233.9	206.3
All.....	17	231.3	215.6	188.3
III. DAIRY PRODUCTS:				
IV. FISH:				
Prepared fish.....	6	181.1	167.7	151.8
Fresh fish.....	3	178.7	178.6	162.0
All.....	9	180.3	171.3	155.2
V. OTHER FOODS:				
(A) Fruits and vegetables				
Fresh fruits, native.....	1	220.6	216.4	69.3
Fresh fruits, foreign.....	3	114.5	118.5	100.7
Dried fruits.....	4	195.4	197.7	163.6
Fresh vegetables.....	5	346.2	317.5	211.1
Canned vegetables.....	3	178.3	176.0	108.1
All.....	16	227.0	217.3	156.6
(B) Miscellaneous groceries and provisions				
Breadstuffs.....	10	194.4	207.5	140.2
Tea, coffee, etc.....	4	134.2	133.4	121.9
Sugar, etc.....	6	181.6	179.2	147.5
Condiments.....	5	149.1	145.9	132.3
All.....	25	172.6	176.6	137.4
VI. TEXTILES:				
Woolens.....	5	238.9	237.6	200.7
Cottons.....	4	182.3	188.1	141.9
Silks.....	3	115.8	111.4	96.1
Jutes.....	2	381.4	330.1	250.9
Flax products.....	4	243.3	243.2	166.9
Oilcloths.....	2	139.8	139.8	118.7
All.....	20	214.3	209.4	163.3
VII. HIDES, LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES:				
Hides and tallow.....	4	433.8	335.7	207.4
Leather.....	4	232.7	226.8	174.3
Boots and shoes.....	3	220.7	220.7	162.4
All.....	11	302.5	264.7	183.1
VIII. METALS AND IMPLEMENTS:				
Iron and steel.....	11	171.7	157.3	120.2
Other metals.....	12	220.7	230.4	207.0
Implements.....	10	170.9	148.7	114.8
All.....	33	189.3	181.3	150.1
IX. FUEL AND LIGHTING:				
Fuel.....	6	191.4	181.8	129.9
Lighting.....	4	93.3	93.3	94.7
All.....	10	152.2	145.6	115.6
X. BUILDING MATERIALS:				
Lumber.....	14	185.3	184.1	174.5
Miscellaneous materials.....	20	180.4	167.3	123.9
Paints, oils and glass.....	14	210.8	206.6	169.7
All.....	48	190.7	183.7	152.0
XI. HOUSE FURNISHINGS:				
Furniture.....	6	177.0	177.0	145.9
Crockery and glassware.....	4	209.0	201.0	170.3
Table cutlery.....	2	90.1	90.1	87.1
Kitchen furnishings.....	4	149.0	144.9	129.3
All.....	16	166.8	165.7	140.5
XII. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS:				
XIII. MISCELLANEOUS:				
Raw Furs.....	16	230.1	231.8	228.1
Liquors and tobacco.....	4	350.9	342.7	279.1
Sundries.....	6	185.9	165.0	134.0
All.....	7	153.6	149.9	123.5
All commodities.....	17	244.6	200.6	163.8
All commodities.....	262*	204.8	198.4	161.1

* Nine commodities off the market, fruits, vegetables, etc. One line of spelter was dropped in 1915.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE—UNLISTED SECURITIES

WEEK ENDED FEBRUARY 7TH, 1917

Mines	Par Value	Sellers	Buyers	Sales	Miscellaneous (Continued)	Par Value	Sellers	Buyers	Sales
Porcupine Crown Mines, Ltd.....	\$ 1	....	....	....	Frontenac Breweries Co.....	100	....	....	....
Miscellaneous					" " " " bonds.....	100	....	....	....
British Can. Cannery, Ltd.....	100	....	....	....	Howard Smith Paper Mills, Ltd.....	100	....	57	....
Can. Felt.....	500	....	....	....	Laurentide.....	100	....	....	....
Brompton.....	100	....	....	....	Mexican Northern Power.....	100	....	....	....
Can. Light & Power.....	100	....	....	....	Mexican Mahogany & Rubber Corp.....	100	....	....	....
Can. Coal & Coke.....	100	....	....	....	Mont. Tramway & Power Co.....	100	....	....	7615
Canadian Pacific Notes.....	100	....	....	....	National Brick.....	100	....	....	....
Dominion Glass Co., Ltd.....	100	....	....	....	Sherbrooke Railway & Power Co.....	100	....	....	....
Dominion Glass Co., Ltd.....	100	....	....	....	Western Can. Power.....	100	....	....	....
.....	100	....	....	....	Wygmsck.....	100	....	....	....
.....	100	....	....	....	War Loan (fully paid).....	100	....	....	....
.....	100	....	....	....	War Loan (40% paid).....	100	....	....	....