

CANADA'S TRADE GROWS IN EIGHT-MONTH PERIOD

Increase of \$228,000,000 in That Time—Export Balance Continues To Be High—Food, Wood and Paper Chief Items.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—An increase of \$228,162,289 in the grand total of Canadian trade during the eight months of the fiscal year, ended November 30, as compared with the same period last year, is shown in the trade statement issued this evening. Canada's trade for the eight-month period just ended totalled \$1,472,555,605. A year ago it was \$1,244,393,316. Of the grand total for the eight months' period, ended November 30, last, \$608,905,575 was the amount of exports entering Canada, and \$863,650,030, the total value of domestic merchandise exported from the Dominion. Foreign merchandise was exported from Canada to the value of \$8,555,343.

Rapid Rise of Exports.
Canada's exports amounting in value to \$147,255,605 during the month of November alone far exceeded domestic exports during November, 1924, which totalled \$118,346,536. Imports into the Dominion last month were also in excess of those for November, 1924. For the month just ended, British and foreign goods entered Canada to the value of \$75,285,692. During November, 1924, the value of goods entering Canada was \$66,229,489.

BRITISH CUT AIR DEFENCE BELIEVING SKY IS CLEARING

Great Britain Postpones Carrying Out Plans For Larger Air Force—Hopes Other Nations Will Follow Example—Result of Treaty of Locarno.

Associated Press Despatch.
London, Dec. 16.—Sir Samuel Hoare, head of the air ministry, announced in a speech in the Chelsea town hall to-night that Great Britain will postpone fulfillment of her present air defence program, in view of the clearer and more peaceful European skies resulting from the Locarno agreements.

will be enabled to avoid in the years to come a race in armaments far more disastrous than the world has endured. The plan for a home defence force of 52 squadrons remains intact, but the minister said that the normal rise in air costs by 30 per cent during 1925, making expenditures of over £20,000,000, as compared with £16,000,000 in 1924, would be materially curtailed by the recommendations he has made to the government, and which he believes justified by the changed conditions in Europe.

PEACE RIVER SEAT CLAIMED BY THREE

Each Candidate Threatens Protest If Other Declared Winner.

Special to The Advertiser.
Edmonton, Dec. 16.—All three candidates in Peace River constituency, the largest in the province, are claiming to have been elected on October 23. A recount is in progress, a deputy returning officer has been arrested on a fraud charge, and each candidate threatens a protest if either of the other two is declared elected. No writ has yet been sent to Ottawa, and it is doubtful if legal proceedings will be finished in time to permit of it being sent before parliament convenes on January 7.

MISS ANNIE WHITE DIES FOLLOWING OPERATION

Well-Known London Woman Passes in Victoria Hospital.

Following a serious operation and an illness of some eight weeks, the death occurred yesterday in Victoria Hospital of Miss Annie White, eldest daughter of the late George and Mrs. White. Miss White was very well-known throughout the city, and a host of friends will mourn her passing. She had been a lifelong resident of London, and for many years lived at the old family residence on Stanley street. She was actively interested in many local clubs and societies, and was a valued member of St. Matthew's Anglican church.

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL GIVEN DISMISSAL

Montreal Inspector Goes As Result of Investigation—Smuggling Is Cause.

Canadian Press Despatch.
Ottawa, Dec. 16.—As the result of an investigation begun some time ago into the conduct of certain branches of the customs department in the province of Quebec, announces Hon. G. H. Boivin, minister of customs, the post of special inspector of customs, and excise at Montreal has been transferred from J. E. A. Bisillon to G. M. Hunter of Ottawa. Mr. Hunter is in temporary charge of the office pending the appointment of a permanent bi-lingual inspector.

An order-in-council dismissing Mr. Bisillon was passed on Dec. 12, but was kept secret until the customs department here could arrange to take over the office. Mr. Bisillon was notified of his dismissal yesterday.

SIX INJURED WHEN CAR JUMPS TRACK

Brother of Amherstburg Mayor Seriously Hurt—Struck Obstruction.

Special to The Advertiser.
Windsor, Dec. 16.—Six persons were injured, one seriously, today near Lasalle, when a hydro-electric interurban jumped the track after striking an obstruction. The most seriously injured is A. S. Parks, brother of Dr. Fred Parks, mayor of Amherstburg. He received severe bruises and cuts. The five other persons were taken to their homes in Amherstburg.

OTTAWA RIVER SCENE OF NEW DRY OFFENSIVE

Complaints of Capital Merchants Said To Have Stirred Toronto.

Ottawa, Dec. 16.—As the result of complaints lodged with the attorney-general, Toronto, and said to have come from Ottawa merchants, steps are being taken to throw a liquor-tight defence along the Ottawa and absolutely stop the flow of illegal stimulants into Ontario. Four officers of the Ontario provincial police will arrive in the city tonight or tomorrow for the purpose of increasing the number of the Ottawa staff. This will swell the corps of inspectors in the district to about eight men, and it is expected they will suffice to stop all further bootlegging from Hull, Quebec, and district.

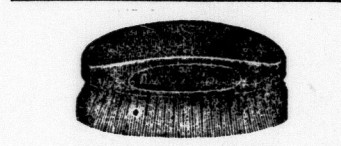


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In Holiday Packages. Newer and more artistic designs, of better values is the story of this line. Prices are 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

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A dainty package of miniature toilet articles. Price 35c a pkg.



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Solid back and fine bristle, at special prices of \$2.49 a pair, \$3.95 a pair and \$4.99 a pair. We also stock French Ivory Military Brushes.

Harriet Hubbard Ayer's TOILETRIES

Luxuria Cream, tubes, 60c
Luxuria Cream, jars, \$1.00
Face Cream, tubes, \$1.00
Face Cream, jars, \$2.00
Ayeristocrat Cream, jars, \$1.00
Ayeristocrat, tubes, 60c
Skin and Tissue Builder—Tubes, \$1.00
Jars, \$2.00
Theatrical Face Powder, \$1.00
Luxuria Face Powder, \$1.50

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When You Feel a Cold Coming On Take Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets to work off the cause and to fortify the system against an attack of Grip or Influenza. A Safe and Proven Remedy. The box bears signature of Dr. W. V. Grove, 30c. Made in Canada.—Adv.

Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pens

"The Pen for Satisfaction," at \$2.50, \$2.75, \$3.00, \$4.00, \$4.50 and up.



STOP in and see the new Eversharp. It is a beautiful, practical pencil. Mechanical perfection guaranteed. We have an assortment of sizes and designs for you to choose from. Prices \$1.00 up

THE NEW PERFECTED EVERSHARP

IRREGULARITIES ALLEGED IN ATHABASCA VOTING
Canadian Press Despatch.
Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 16.—A further order to Chief Electoral Officer O. M. Biggar, K.C., Ottawa, was issued this afternoon by Mr. Justice Walsh for the production of all election papers from 36 additional polls in the Athabasca federal election. The order was issued following the filing of an affidavit by

Standard Drug Stores

ARE OPEN EACH NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS

All our stores will remain open each night to 10:30 until Christmas Day. This will give you a further opportunity to look over our assortment of holiday gift suggestions, such as Thermos Bottles, Electric Curling Sets, Shaving Supplies in sets, Shaving Brushes, Manicure Sets, Dusting Powders, Perfume Bottles, Package Chocolates, Travelling Roll-Ups, Toilet Creams and Powders, Bath Brushes, Ebony Toilet Ware, French Ivory Toilet Ware, as well as the many items listed below. It also affords you an opportunity to take full advantage of these

BARGAINS FOR THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Gin Pills (for the kidneys) Reg. 50c, 29c	Rheuma (for rheumatism) Reg. \$1.20, 94c	Thermogene (curative wadding) Reg. 60c, 37c	Lyman's Health Salts, Reg. 15c, 2 tins 19c	McCoy's Cod Liver Tablets, Reg. 60c, 44c	Creomulsion (for bronchitis) Per bottle, \$1.25	Squibb's Stearate of Zinc Per tin, 25c	Molle Shaving Cream, Reg. 85c, 69c
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Hospital Cotton 1-lb. Rolls 54c

Milkweed Cream. Regular 50c, 32c; regular \$1.00 64c

M. T. Goldman's Hair Restorer \$1.29

Pear's Unscented Soap Regular 20c 2 for 29c

SETS OF FRENCH IVORYWARE

Two-piece, three-piece and sets of many pieces, at prices to suit almost any purse.

HAIRBRUSHES

French Ivory, finest quality. Hollow-Back Brushes at \$1.89 and \$2.19 Solid-Back Brushes at \$2.64, \$3.99, \$4.99, \$6.89

Ebony Brushes, solid back, special values at \$1.89, \$1.74, \$2.44 and up N. B.—We import these Brushes direct, thus the extraordinary values.

BERTOLLI OLIVE OIL

32-ounce tin 99c

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New and prettier designs.

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Nearly all items come packed in a neat, blue box. We stock a complete range in this line.

Ganong's Stick Candy 15c a bottle or 2 for 29c

Pranafa Hair Clippers, No. 00 \$1.19

Swiss Weather Prophet 69c

Kolynos Tooth Paste Regular 35c 27c

For Man or Woman, Combination Sets of Toilet Luxuries Everyone appreciates these.

STRONG'S DRUG STORE 184 FUNDAS STREET.

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STANDARD DRUG, Limited Western Ontario's Original Cut-Rate Druggists

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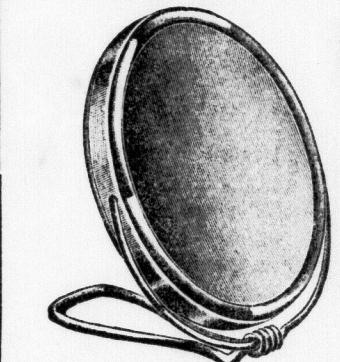
GRASS FIRE CREATES STIR
Blaze Rages For An Hour Near Cove—Unusual In December.
A large grass fire, the second within

the past three days, broke out at 5:45 last night near the Cove bridge, just west of the city, and for more than an hour raged on either side of the C.N.R. tracks. The reflection could be seen in the sky for miles around, and numerous calls were received at the fire hall from local citizens, asking for the location of what appeared to be a large conflagration. No. 3 company of the local fire department was dispatched to the scene.



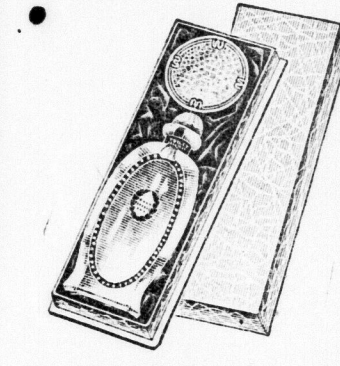
New, Delightful Perfume Packages at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$2.00 Toilet Waters, four different odors, per box \$1.00 Three Flowers Toilet Water \$1.50

SHAVING MIRRORS



Has magnifying glass on one side and plain mirror on other. Special 99c each Also Shaving Stands and Sets at \$1.25 and \$2.25

MELBA TOILET SETS



Lov'me Set, two-piece (with face powder) \$1.75 Lov'me Set on bouquet set, two-piece with compact \$2.00 Lov'me Set, several pieces, assorted \$2.75

HOLIDAY SETS



of well-known toilet lines. Djer-Kiss Sets at \$3.25, \$4.50 and \$6.00. Yardley's Sets at \$3.75 and \$4.25. Colgate's Sets at \$3.50 Mary Garden Sets \$3.50 Hudnut's Violet Sec Sets at \$1.75 Three Flowers Sets at \$2.50, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.50

TORRID ELECTRIC HEATING PADS

Fully guaranteed; has three-heat adjustment. Special, \$6.99

BATH SALTS

of well-known makes.

Vinolia, Pinaud's, Hudnut's, Yardley's, Melba, etc. At 35c, \$1, \$1.25 and up to \$3

POLLING BOOTH INJURY CLAIM SENT TO OTTAWA

Special to The Advertiser.
Blenheim, Dec. 16.—A claim for compensation for injuries received when she stepped through a hole in the floor of the polling booth at Romney, on October 29th last, has been sent to the Dominion government by Mrs. Hugh Shanks, of Chatham. Mrs. Shanks, at