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The movement of iron ore was 43,799,839 tons compared with 1914, an increase of 13,799,839 tons compared with 1913. General merchandise, aggregating 1,595,398 tons, represent a gain of 278,094 tons.

The season's lumber movement was 456,451,000 feet, an increase of 4,303,000.

Both anthracite and bituminous coal shipments fell short of 1914. The hard coal movement was 2,030,730 tons, a decrease of 209,775 tons, while soft coal shipments of 11,326,328 tons were 920,388 less than in 1914.

Freight traffic through the canals in December aggregated 2,180,420 tons, against 551,886 tons in 1914.

**FREIGHT CONGESTION.**

New Haven Railroad has placed an embargo on all freight except food products, perishable goods, livestock and coal for points west of New London and Willimantic and south of Boston & Albany Railroad.

charts, amounting to 1,000,000 tons, is exclusive of insular Zone, of which the general coast line is in excess of 10,000 miles.

**CHINESE PORT OPENED TO FOREIGN TRADE.**

The Department has received a copy of a despatch addressed to Sir Edward Grey from His Majesty's Minister at Peking stating that the port of Lungkow, China, would be opened to foreign trade from November 1 by the establishment of an office of the Maritime Customs. This port on the gulf of Chihli

**BOUQUETS FOR THE BOSHES.**

Contracts for 100,000,000 hand grenades for the French government have been placed with a syndicate of eastern Pennsylvania iron foundries.

Total ...  
Percentage of aggregate tonnage ...

**WAR HELPS COLD STORAGE.**

War has caused an unprecedented business in American cold storage industry. On Sept. 1 there were 20,223,251 pounds of fresh meat in New York and New Jersey cold storage houses, compared with 5,212,666 pounds on same date two years ago. Exports for ten months ended Oct. 31 were 218,168,774 pounds, compared with 5,600,711 pounds in same period in 1913.

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**Aggregate Trade of Dominion Shows Remarkable Increase**

The statement of Canadian trade for the month of November, 1915, and various comparative periods, as indicated in the table below, makes a most satisfactory showing. Total imports of merchandise for the month amounted to \$13,865,369 over those during November, 1914, and to only some \$4,984,597 below those during the corresponding month in 1913. There was, however, a decided falling off in imports of merchandise during the 8 and 12 months ending November 30, 1915, as compared with the corresponding periods in 1914 and 1913. The in-

crease custom duties amounting to 5 and 7 1/2 per cent introduced by the Finance Minister early in the year are noticeable in the increase duty collected in spite of the falling off in imports. Such duty collected during the 8 months ending November, 1915, amounted to \$8,432,156 over those during the corresponding period in 1914, although a decrease of \$13,048,586, as compared with the 1913 period is to be noted.

Such increase for the 8 months ending November, 1915, over the corresponding periods in 1914 and 1913, amounted to \$149,733,216 and \$11,050,664 respectively, while for the 12 months period the increase amounted to \$161,246,155 and \$139,789,406 respectively. The exports during the 8 months ending November, 1915, showed an increase of \$289,596 over those during the 12 months ending November, 1913; a somewhat remarkable showing.

**PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF THE TRADE OF CANADA FOR NOVEMBER.**

Month, Eight Months and Twelve Months ending November, 1913, 1914, and 1915.

	Month of November.			Eight Months Ending November.			Twelve Months Ending November.		
	1913.	1914.	1915.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1913.	1914.	1915.
<b>Imports for Consumption.</b>									
Dutiable goods .....	\$ 32,338,858	\$ 18,697,737	\$ 26,079,686	\$ 294,635,668	\$ 198,343,559	\$ 173,237,207	\$ 442,834,429	\$ 313,838,365	\$ 254,610,902
Free Goods .....	17,863,298	12,854,453	19,137,873	146,111,265	120,010,498	125,088,015	222,362,399	182,097,633	180,731,684
<b>Total imports (mdsc.)</b> .....	<b>50,202,156</b>	<b>31,552,190</b>	<b>45,217,559</b>	<b>440,746,933</b>	<b>318,354,057</b>	<b>298,325,222</b>	<b>665,196,828</b>	<b>495,935,998</b>	<b>435,342,586</b>
Coin and bullion .....	1,814,404	48,328,727	4,705,933	5,422,548	129,557,137	10,472,715	7,215,980	139,369,894	12,908,570
<b>Total imports</b> .....	<b>52,016,560</b>	<b>79,880,917</b>	<b>49,923,492</b>	<b>446,169,481</b>	<b>447,911,194</b>	<b>308,797,937</b>	<b>672,412,808</b>	<b>635,305,892</b>	<b>448,251,156</b>
Duty collected .....	8,346,778	5,113,062	9,440,315	76,108,761	53,628,019	62,060,175	114,876,199	84,663,903	87,615,654
<b>Exports.</b>									
<b>Canadian Produce—</b>									
The mine .....	5,364,563	3,655,475	6,634,887	39,440,172	35,169,285	43,401,193	58,685,347	54,968,167	59,972,897
The fisheries .....	2,225,333	2,056,055	2,075,877	13,556,463	11,980,770	14,036,566	19,393,360	19,047,867	21,742,864
The forest .....	4,107,090	3,439,970	4,556,502	33,194,796	32,357,299	38,631,846	42,875,089	41,954,640	48,925,230
Animal produce .....	7,795,511	8,470,602	12,113,520	38,824,803	50,135,045	69,128,895	49,660,063	64,659,361	93,384,593
Agricultural produce .....	33,417,055	18,846,286	53,936,837	142,338,227	94,319,512	153,117,173	196,134,043	150,201,314	193,543,711
Manufactures .....	4,841,922	6,376,500	13,231,022	35,879,368	45,425,224	97,586,572	52,212,592	66,989,308	137,702,849
Miscellaneous .....	10,854	27,221	383,271	78,153	242,292	3,458,401	112,556	285,230	3,879,908
<b>Total Canadian produce</b> .....	<b>57,762,328</b>	<b>42,872,109</b>	<b>92,931,916</b>	<b>303,311,982</b>	<b>269,629,430</b>	<b>419,362,646</b>	<b>419,073,050</b>	<b>397,905,887</b>	<b>559,152,052</b>
Foreign produce .....	1,317,066	3,370,152	1,504,177	20,314,077	44,986,413	32,552,594	24,143,137	48,521,121	39,589,854
<b>Total exports (mdsc.)</b> .....	<b>59,079,394</b>	<b>46,242,261</b>	<b>94,436,093</b>	<b>323,626,059</b>	<b>314,615,843</b>	<b>451,915,240</b>	<b>443,216,187</b>	<b>446,427,008</b>	<b>598,741,906</b>
xCoin and bullion .....	363,429	332,121	9,865,896	7,829,191	4,099,869	103,049,792	17,041,005	19,831,382	128,318,291
<b>Total exports</b> .....	<b>59,442,823</b>	<b>46,574,382</b>	<b>104,301,989</b>	<b>331,455,250</b>	<b>318,715,712</b>	<b>554,965,032</b>	<b>460,257,192</b>	<b>466,258,390</b>	<b>727,058,197</b>
<b>Aggregate Trade.</b>									
Merchandise .....	109,281,550	77,794,451	139,654,652	764,372,992	632,969,900	750,240,462	1,108,413,015	942,363,006	1,034,084,492
Coin and bullion .....	2,177,833	48,660,848	14,571,829	13,251,739	133,657,006	113,522,507	24,256,985	159,201,276	141,224,861
<b>Total trade</b> .....	<b>111,459,383</b>	<b>126,455,299</b>	<b>154,226,481</b>	<b>777,624,731</b>	<b>766,626,906</b>	<b>863,762,969</b>	<b>1,132,670,000</b>	<b>1,101,564,282</b>	<b>1,175,309,353</b>

xNote—It will be noted that the figures relating to the imports and exports of coin and bullion for the twelve months ending November, 1915, were: Imports, 1915, \$12,908,570; 1914, \$139,369,894, and exports 1915, \$128,316,291; 1914, \$19,831,382. Although it has been customary to include these figures in trade returns, the total trade figures are seriously disturbed by them in this instance, and they should not be taken as an indication of the trade of Canada.