

quota system of immigration regulation, applied by the United States Government against European immigrants but not against Canadians, had the effect of limiting immigration to the United States and as a consequence offering especially attractive inducements to Canadians to enter the United States during the period of that country's recent industrial prosperity. No record of this movement had ever been kept by the Canadian Government, and, while the seriousness of the movement was recognized, its magnitude, as indicated by the United States returns, was sharply questioned, on the ground that these returns did not make allowance for Canadians returning to Canada after a more or less extended period of residence in the United States. The Canadian Department of Immigration and Colonization was convinced that a very considerable return movement was taking place, but until March, 1924, no attempt was made to ascertain the exact magnitude of that movement. In that month, however, immigration officers were instructed to take note of Canadians returning to Canada from the United States after an absence in that country of more than six months, with results which are tabulated in Table 11.

Another circumstance which has in the past occasioned a considerable movement from Canada to the United States has no doubt been the practice of Europeans entering Canada, apparently as *bona fide* immigrants, but really with the intention of entering the United States as soon as the quota restrictions would permit them to do so. The recent tightening-up of the American regulations concerning persons from Canada entering the United States and the active co-operation of the Canadian Department of Immigration and Colonization in discouraging this traffic, seem likely to reduce a movement which is already, for industrial and other reasons, distinctly on the wane.

Table 11 shows by months the number of Canadians returning from the United States from April, 1924 to September, 1925.

11.—Report of Canadians Returning from the United States, by Months, from April, 1924 to September, 1925.

Months.	Canadian-born Citizens.	British Subjects who had acquired Canadian Domicile.	Naturalized Canadian Citizens.	Total.
April.....	3,608	289	190	4,087
May.....	4,170	505	261	4,936
June.....	3,962	447	311	4,720
July.....	4,426	405	296	5,127
August.....	4,023	552	416	4,991
September.....	2,952	434	239	3,625
October.....	2,844	394	242	3,480
November.....	2,614	357	215	3,186
December.....	2,618	353	194	3,165
January.....	1,395	199	121	1,715
February.....	1,641	239	132	2,012
March.....	2,220	313	198	2,731
Total.....	36,473	4,487	2,815	43,775
April.....	2,599	245	151	2,995
May.....	2,722	308	181	3,211
June.....	2,514	256	165	2,935
July.....	2,650	226	153	3,029
August.....	3,105	308	254	3,667
September.....	2,084	212	149	2,445
Total (6 mos.).....	15,674	1,555	1,053	18,282
Grand Total for 18 months.....	52,147	6,042	3,868	62,057