

manufactured wood, chiefly wood pulp, decreased \$1,656,036. The iron and its products group increased from \$7,582,833 to \$10,680,762, or \$3,097,929. The exports of farm implements accounted for \$1,668,589 of the increase under this group, and pigs, blooms and ingots for \$1,257,116. The non-ferrous metals group decreased from \$58,740,061 to \$39,007,020, or \$19,733,041. The decrease in the exports of raw gold, amounting to \$19,120,373, was largely responsible for the decrease in the non-ferrous metals group. The non-metallic minerals group increased from \$17,244,986 to \$17,251,325, or \$6,339, while the chemical products group decreased from \$9,197,929 to \$8,092,371, or \$1,105,558, and the miscellaneous group increased from \$10,258,431 to \$10,643,561, or \$385,130. For further details see Tables 12 and 13 of this section.

**Canadian Trade via the United States.**—Imports from overseas countries via the United States have steadily declined in recent years, especially those from the British Empire. This decrease has followed (1) general propaganda to utilize Canadian sea and river ports, and (2) additional concessions to goods imported under the Preferential tariff if they come direct. Provision has been made in trade treaties and agreements negotiated with foreign countries that goods must be imported via a Canadian sea or river port in order to obtain the full benefits of special rates of duty. There was a decrease in imports via the United States of \$1,458,065 in 1927 compared with 1926, the decrease in the imports from the British Empire amounting to \$3,552,714, while such imports from foreign countries show an increase of \$2,094,649, as follows:—

## IMPORTS INTO CANADA VIA THE UNITED STATES.

| Imports from—  | Years ended March 31— |            |            |            |
|--|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
|  | 1924.                 | 1925.      | 1926.      | 1927.      |
| United Kingdom via United States..... \$                 | 922,224               | 554,532    | 1,853,066  | 728,001    |
| Per cent Total Imports from United Kingdom....           | 0.6                   | 0.4        | 1.1        | 0.41       |
| Other British Empire via United States..... \$           | 4,925,615             | 3,779,361  | 6,260,189  | 3,832,540  |
| Per cent of Total Imports from Other British Empire..... | 11.8                  | 8.6        | 14.2       | 7.71       |
| Foreign Countries via United States..... \$              | 8,032,644             | 7,281,781  | 6,106,030  | 8,200,679  |
| Per cent of Total Imports from Foreign Countries         | 8.3                   | 7.9        | 5.5        | 6.3        |
| Total Imports via United States..... \$                  | 13,890,483            | 11,615,674 | 14,219,285 | 12,761,220 |
| Per cent of Total Imports from Overseas Countries        | 4.7                   | 4.2        | 4.5        | 3.7        |

The proportion of exports from Canada to overseas countries via the United States continues to remain about stationary, the percentages for the past three fiscal years being: 1925, 39.3; 1926, 39.2; 1927, 39.5. The total value of commodities exported to overseas countries in 1927 was \$19,667,108 less than in 1926, wheat accounting for \$13,655,313 or about 70 p.c. of this decrease. The decrease in wheat also accounted for 66 p.c. of the total decrease to the United Kingdom. Comparisons for four years are as follows:—

## EXPORTS FROM CANADA VIA THE UNITED STATES.

| Exports to   | Years ended March 31— |             |             |             |
|--|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | 1924.                 | 1925.       | 1926.       | 1927.       |
| United Kingdom via United States..... \$           | 152,276,836           | 173,556,264 | 237,327,986 | 216,313,069 |
| Per cent Total Exports to United Kingdom.....      | 42.1                  | 43.7        | 46.6        | 48.4        |
| Other British Empire via United States..... \$     | 20,815,847            | 18,350,573  | 22,157,401  | 23,549,163  |
| Per cent of Total Exports to Other British Empire  | 26.9                  | 23.1        | 24.3        | 25.1        |
| Foreign Countries via United States..... \$        | 50,585,707            | 65,452,730  | 70,466,599  | 70,422,646  |
| Per cent of Total Exports to Foreign Countries.... | 28.3                  | 36.9        | 29.1        | 28.7        |
| Total Exports via United States..... \$            | 223,678,390           | 257,359,567 | 329,951,986 | 310,284,878 |
| Per cent of Total Exports to Overseas Countries..  | 36.2                  | 39.3        | 39.2        | 39.5        |