SUMMARY OF CANADIAN TRADE WITH THE UNITED KINGDOM, BY GROUPS AND PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES, YEAR ENDED MAR. 31, 1933, WITH INCREASES OR DECREASES AS COMPARED WITH 1929—concluded.

(Values i	Thousands	of Dollars.)
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Imports.			Exports (Canadian).				
Group and Commodity.	Value. Increase (+) Decrease (-).			Group and Commodity.	Value.	Increase (+) Decrease (-).	
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IV.—Wood and Paper Books and printed matter. Paper. V.—Iron and Steel. Rolling mill products Machinery. Wire. Engines and boilers. Hardware and cut- lery. VI.—Non-Ferrous Metals. Electric apparatus. Electric-plated ware. VII.—Non-Metallic Minerals. Clay and products. Glass. VIII.—Chemicals. IX.—Miscellaneous. Total Imports.	2, 604 1, 666 21, 640 7, 817 4, 557 1, 858 1, 236 1, 117 7, 504 2, 727 1, 079 13, 602 5, 307 4, 450 1, 375 5, 429 10, 942	+++++	316 154 133 2,643 1,079 560 369 117 16 850 800 118 1,501 1,148 492 148 907	III.—Fibres and Textiles. IV.—Wood and Paper. Newsprint paper. Planks and boards. Wood pulp. V.—Iron and Steel. Automobiles. Machinery. VI.—Non-Ferrous Metals. Lead. Zinc. Aluminium. Nickel. VII.—Non-Metallic Minerals. VIII.—Chemicals. Acids. XI.—Miscellaneous Films. Total Esports.	976 21,450 9,265 6,179 1,408 6,848 3,001 1,888 15,404 4,342 2,751 2,577 2,538 1,962 4,889 2,841 3,031 2,007		165 901 446 498 377 1.873 2.464 508 942 404 1.327 1,101 2,613 181 852 688 42 147,984

Trade of Canada with the British Empire.—Canada was the first of the British Dominions to grant a preference on goods the produce and manufacture of the United Kingdom and reciprocating British Dominions and possessions. This preference was extended by Order in Council from time to time to other portions of the British Empire until now it is applicable to practically every British Dominion and possession. In the case of Newfoundland, in addition to the preference, Canada grants free admission to fish and fish products. Australia receives special concessions under the Trade Agreement of 1925 and the British West Indies under the agreement of 1925 referred to on p. 482. The British Preferential Tariff enacted in 1897, as well as trade treaties and agreements negotiated with British and foreign countries, have had the effect of stimulating Canada's external trade. When the British preference became effective in 1897 Canada's total imports from the United Kingdom in that year amounted to only \$29,401,000, compared with an import in 1887 valued at \$44,-741,000, and in 1873 at \$67,997,000. From 1873 to 1897 imports from the United Kingdom decreased \$38,596,000 or 56.7 p.c., while from 1897 to 1930 they increased \$159,779,000 or 543.4 p.c. Thus since the introduction of the British Preferential Tariff a downward trend in imports from the United Kingdom has changed to one strongly upward. But in spite of the encouragement offered by the Preferential Tariff a study of the figures in the following table will show that trade with the United Kingdom, and with the British Empire as a whole, has not grown so rapidly as that with foreign countries, with the result that in both imports and exports the percentage of the total trade of Canada carried on with the British Empire has declined. The proportion of trade with parts of