

of the country have been maintained under these adverse influences. In a period of general depression such as the present, there is a tendency to overlook the course of readjustments tending to correct the disturbing conditions. The downward trend in the prices of many primary commodities appears to have been arrested, those for cereals and minerals having remained fairly stationary for some time now. As already pointed out, there is a definite probability that the large surplus stock of wheat which has overhung the world's markets since the reappearance of Russia as an exporter, will be materially reduced during the coming year. Along with this improvement in the position of primary commodities, the decline in the retail prices of consumers' goods has partially closed the wide gap which had developed between the prices of these two groups, bringing nearer the time when the production of primary commodities may once more be carried on profitably.

At this time the hopes of Canada and of the Empire turn to the coming Imperial Economic Conference. Elaborate preparations are under way in Ottawa and no stone is being left unturned to explore thoroughly all avenues by which inter-Imperial trade can be encouraged. It is not too much to believe that the representatives of one quarter of the inhabitants of the world, with much in common and meeting with the determination to work together for the common good, may turn the tide of depression and usher in a new era in Empire and world affairs.

Subsection 2.—Obituary.

1931.—(See also pp. 1111-1112 of the 1931 Year Book.) June 18, Robert A. Pyne, LL.D., Sheriff of Toronto City and former Minister of Education for Ontario. June 12, James Morris, Aubrey, Que., former M.P. for Chateauguay. July 1, John Sharpe, Ottawa, Ont., late Chief Architectural Sculptor, Public Works Department. V. A. L. Davidson, K.C., Middleton, N.S., former M.P. for Annapolis. July 3, H. F. Williams, Ottawa, Ont., Assistant Accountant, Department of Marine. July 28, Rt. Hon. C. J. Doherty, P.C., K.C., Westmount, Que., former Minister of Justice. Aug. 6, Hon. E. M. Farrell, Ottawa, Ont., Senator for Liverpool, N.S., and former Speaker of the Legislature of Nova Scotia. Aug. 24, Hon. S. J. Crowe, Vancouver, B.C., Senator for Burrard, B.C. Sept. 19, Hon. Lincoln Goldie, Guelph, Ont., former Provincial Secretary in the Ferguson Cabinet. Sept. 25, His Honour the Hon. Frank Stanfield, Halifax, N.S., Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia. Oct. 11, Simeon Delisle, Quebec, Que., former M.P. for Portneuf. Oct. 16, R. J. Watson, Burk's Falls, Ont., former M.P. for Parry Sound. Oct. 19, Hon. James Craig, K.C., former Judge of Yukon. Nov. 8, C. J. Simard, former Assistant Provincial Secretary of the Province of Quebec. Nov. 11, Dionis L. Desaulniers, former Chief Law Translator of the House of Commons. Nov. 27, John F. Buckley, St. Paul, Alta., M.P. for Athabaska. Dec. 9, E. L. Newcombe, C.M.G., Ottawa, Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada. Dec. 17, T. M. Jones, Woodstock, N.B., Judge of Probate for Carleton County. Dec. 22, Hon. C. H. Mackintosh, Ottawa, ex-M.P. for Ottawa and former Lieutenant-Governor of N.W.T. Dec. 23, Lieut.-Col. T. G. Loggie, I.S.O., Fredericton, N.B., former Deputy Minister of Lands and Mines for N.B. Dec. 26, J. A. Watson, Ottawa, Chief Dominion Appraiser, Department of National Revenue. Dec. 29, Hon. Charles T. Sutherland, Owen Sound, Ont., Judge of the County and Surrogate Courts of the County of Grey, Ont. Dec. 30, Rt. Hon. Sir George E. Foster, P.C., G.C.M.G., Ottawa, Ont., Senator for Ottawa and former Minister of Trade and Commerce. 1932.—Jan. 4, Colin S. Cameron, K.C., Owen Sound, Ont., former M.L.A. and Crown Attorney for Grey County. Jan. 6, Hon. Forbes E. Godfrey, M.D., Toronto,