

In 1951, 96 fishermen's co-operatives reported a total membership of 15,412 and a total volume of business amounting to \$18,809,860: over one-half of this volume was reported by co-operatives in British Columbia.

**Insurance.**—Farmers' mutual fire-insurance companies are the oldest form of co-operative endeavour among farmers in Canada. During 1950, there were 404 such companies in operation. The net amount of insurance at risk was almost \$2,500,000,000 and the net losses paid in 1950 amounted to \$6,800,000.

Many other companies in Canada are now operating, on a co-operative basis, in the fields of life insurance, casualty insurance, marine insurance and bonding for credit union treasurers and co-operative managers. The most recent addition to the list is the Co-operative Fire and Casualty Insurance Company which obtained a charter from the Federal Government in 1951 and commenced business in 1952.

### Section 6.—Interprovincial Freight Movements\*

Statistics on interprovincial trade are difficult to collect because there are no barriers to this trade. The only comprehensive statistics available are the loadings and unloadings of freight carried by the railways. Railway traffic is segregated into 76 classes of freight and the differences between loadings and unloadings are the imports and exports *by rail* for the respective provinces. Freight can, however, be imported by rail and exported by water, as is the case with western grain moved to the Ontario ports of Fort William and Port Arthur. Consequently, the statistics of Table 37 must not be taken as a measure of total interprovincial trade: these figures indicate interprovincial movement of railway freight which is one aspect only of that trade.

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#### 37.—Railway Revenue Freight Movement, by Provinces, 1950 and 1951

Province	Loaded		Received from Foreign Connections		Totals Originated <sup>1</sup>	
	1950	1951	1950	1951	1950	1951
	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons	tons
Newfoundland.....	925,311	1,068,291	519	—	925,830	1,068,291
Prince Edward Island.....	310,606	417,778	—	—	310,606	417,778
Nova Scotia.....	10,208,321	10,289,032	128,538	181,406	10,336,859	10,470,438
New Brunswick.....	3,661,704	5,012,561	631,636	686,421	4,293,340	5,698,982
Quebec.....	18,521,675	21,103,335	8,006,179	8,308,306	26,527,854	29,411,641
Ontario.....	36,859,583	41,667,045	25,441,292	27,315,222	62,300,875	68,982,267
Manitoba.....	6,202,835	7,967,961	446,568	480,974	6,649,403	8,448,935
Saskatchewan.....	9,244,746	12,045,777	203,517	176,773	9,448,263	12,222,550
Alberta.....	12,365,162	11,880,807	38,296	50,712	12,403,458	11,931,519
British Columbia.....	9,895,058	10,510,464	939,077	1,089,773	10,834,135	11,600,237
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>108,195,001</b>	<b>121,963,051</b>	<b>35,835,622</b>	<b>38,289,587</b>	<b>144,030,623</b>	<b>160,252,635</b>

<sup>1</sup> For footnote, see end of table, p. 904.