

enclosed printed copy of a further despatch from the Governor-General of Canada on the subject of uniformity in the trade statistics of the Empire.

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Governor, the Right Hon. Lord Plunket, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., &c.

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The GOVERNOR-GENERAL to the SECRETARY OF STATE.

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(No. 192.)

MY LORD,—

Canada, Montreal, P.Q., 19th April, 1909.

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch No. 133, of the 3rd ultimo, on the subject of uniformity in the trade statistics of the Empire, I have the honour to forward copy of an approved minute of the Privy Council, from which Your Lordship will observe that my Responsible Advisers are prepared to take steps, during the present year, to obtain declarations from importers showing the countries from which imported goods are consigned to Canada, and to publish import statistics on that basis, and that they will further cause to be included in the annual returns of statistics for the financial year such a summary of imports and exports as is suggested in paragraph 5 of Your Lordship's despatch.

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CERTIFIED COPY OF A REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL, APPROVED BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL ON THE 16TH APRIL, 1909.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a despatch, dated 3rd March, 1909, from the Right Honourable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the uniformity in trade statistics of the Empire.

The Minister of Customs, to whom the despatch was referred, states that steps will be taken during the present year to obtain Customs entries from importers, showing the countries from which imported goods are consigned to Canada, and to cause import statistics to be published on that basis.

The Minister observes that the Department of Customs will also undertake to include in the annual volume of statistics for the financial year a summary of imports and exports under the heads of "Foods," "Raw Materials," and "Manufactured Articles" (not in detail), distinguishing in each category the trade with the United Kingdom, British possessions, and foreign countries.

The Committee, on the recommendation of the Minister of Customs, advise that a copy hereof be transmitted to the Right Honourable the Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies.

All which is respectfully submitted for approval.

F. K. BENNETTS,
Assistant Clerk of the Privy Council.

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New Zealand, No. 108.

MY LORD,—

Downing Street, 25th May, 1909.

I have the honour to request you to inform your Ministers that the Board of Education have been in communication with the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury on the subject of the recognition of services completed in State and State-aided schools in the British oversea dominions as discharging the undertaking which is executed by teachers trained under the Board's regulations for the training of teachers for elementary schools, which came into force in August, 1908.

2. In these regulations it is laid down that a candidate, before admission as a recognised student to a training college, must give an undertaking to the Board that, in return for the grants paid under the Board's regulations on his or her account, he or she will serve as a teacher in an approved school for a specified period. Men students undertake to complete seven years' service