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Chapter 7 (continue)

Animal Rearing:

- In North America, cattle, Pig, Sheep and chicken are reared on temperate grasslands and maintain pastures for dairy products, meat, hide, eggs and wool.
- In dry western part of central plains, cattle ranching is practiced. Here the cattle graze on grass and after that they are sent to eastern part via road or rail.
- Sheeps are reared in desert plains or mountains.
- Pigs are reared for meat and poultry for eggs.

Fisheries:

- North America is surrounded by Arctic, Atlantic and Pacific Ocean.
- This has made fishing an important fishing activity.
- All these oceans have different species of fish like herring, cod, salmon etc to name a few.
- Apart from this fresh water fishing is also done.
- Grand Bank is the largest fishing ground of North America.
- There is ample amount of fishes available in and around North America to support large population.

Industries:

The Industries of North America is divided into 3 categories:

(A) Heavy Industries:

- These Industries include Agricultural Machinery, transport equipment, Ammunitions etc.
- They are situated around great lakes region.
- This is because this region has lot of raw material like coal, Iron ore etc.

(B) Agro-based Industries:

- These Industries include Food Industries, cotton textile, woollen textile and meat packaging.
- Its important centres are Manchester for cotton, Kansas, Nebraska and Kentucky for food processing, Chicago and St Louis for meat packaging.
- In Canada, Edmonton and Calgary are the important food processing and meat packaging centres.

(C) Chemical Industries:

- It includes Fertilizers, Pharmaceuticals, paints and plastics.
- It is spread all over USA, Canada and Mexico.

Transportation:

(a) Roadways:

North America has widest and well maintained roads in the world. Even the difficult terrain of Alaska and Canada are well connected with these expressways.

(b) Railways:

Major Industrial, Agricultural towns and cities are linked by a efficient network of railways. Moreover, the east coast and west coast of U.S.A and Canada are well connected by Transcontinental Railways.

(c) Waterways:

The Great Lakes waterways, Panama Canal and ports of Atlantic Ocean, namely New York, Boston, Galveston and also ports of Pacific Ocean namely Vancouver, Los Angeles, San Francisco etc have boosted the trade of North America, which ultimately led to development also.

(d) Airways:

North America has one of the best air connectivity in the world to most National and International destinations. Even the difficult terrain of Canada and Alaska are well connected.