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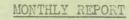
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ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1938.

Shipments of asbestos by Canadian producers in January declined to 16,845 tons from the preceding month's total of 28,686 tons and the January, 1937, total of 22,454 tons, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Dureau of Statistics at Ottawa.

Customs' records show that Canada exported 17,921 tons of asbestos in January compared with 30,285 tons in December. Eighty-four per cent of the January exports were consigned to the United States.

Imports of asbestos products into Canada during the month under review were appraised at \$61,442; the December imports were valued at \$62,690. Receipts of brake and clutch lining in January were worth \$25,513 as against the December import valuation of \$26,270. Asbestos packing importations amounted to 10,097 pounds worth \$3,076; in December, 11,410 pounds at \$4,356 were imported. The value of other asbestos products imported in January was recorded at \$32,853, made up of 71.3 per cent from the United States, 27.8 per cent from Great Britain, and the remainder from Belgium and Germany.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA (short tons)									
	193	3(a)	193			1936			
Month	As-	(b) By-	As-	(b) By-	As-	(b) By-			
	bestos	products	bestos	products	bestos	products			
January	16,845	113	22,454	88	17,016	37			
February			27,301	167	17,038				
March			32,746	131	16,225	187			
April			42,267	305	19,605	390			
May			37,636	545	27,361	599			
June			35,341	513	23,136	568			
July			35,194	244	27,749	292			
August			36,881	348	25,128	170			
September			39,211	454	31,067	292			
October			33,471	627	38,231	282			
November			37,625	308	37,086	301			
December			28,686	310	21,645	67			
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR .			408,813	4,040	301,287	3,185			
(a) Subject to revision.		(b) Sand	. gravel	. etc.					

Average prices prevailing at Quebec asbestos mines at the end of January (tax and bags included) as quoted in Metal and Mineral Markets, were as follows:-

Crude No. 1 \$700 - \$750 per ton	Shingle stocks	₹57 -	\$77 per ton
Crude No. 2 and sundry	Paper stocks	\$40 -	\$45 per ton
crudes \$150 - \$350 per ton	Cement stocks	\$21 -	\$25 per ton
Spinning fibres \$110 - \$200 per ton	Floats	(18 -	\$20 per ton
Magnesia and compressed	Shorts	\$12 -	\$16.50 per ton
sheet fibres \$110 - \$200 per ton			The same of

IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS, RAW and FIBRE, in	to GREAT BRIT	AIN, DECEMBER	1937, and	JANUARY,	1938.
	DECEMBER, 1937		JANUARY, 1938		
	Short ton	£	Short ton	£	
From -					
Union of South Africa	1,575	27,258	960	14,033	
Southern Rhodesia	2,275	48,926	1,900	38,571	
Other British countries	2,150	37,124	189	4,757	
Foreign countries	27	997	522	9,617	
TOTAL	6.027	114.305	3.571	56,978	

