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## MONTHLY REPORT

## ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA - NOVEMBER, 1938.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the shipments of asbestos by Canadian producers in November amounted to 29,471 tons compared with 34,246 tons in October and 37,737 tons in November, 1957. During the first eleven months of the current year, 272,349 tons were shipped; a year ago shipments totalled 381,255 tons.

Exports of asbestos were recorded at 30,012 tons in November as against 32,000 tons in the preceding month. The November exportations consisted of 57.4 per cent consigned to the United States, 15.9 per cent to Germany, 11.6 per cent to Great Britain, 5.5 per cent to France, 4.1 per cent to Japan, and 5.5 per cent to other countries.

Asbestos products imported into Canada in November were worth \$98,193 or 2.9 per cent below the total for the preceding month. The November importations were as follows:-

Pounds	\$
Asbestos packing	5,981
Asbestos brake linings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis	16,308
Asbestos clutch facings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis	2,442
Asbestos brake linings and clutch facings, n.o.p	571
Asbestos in any form, other than crude, and all manufactures of,	
n.o.p	72,891

The United States supplied 49.5 per cent of the November imports; Great Britain, 49.0 per cent, and Germany and Belgium, the remainder.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CANADA

(Shor	t tons)			
	193	8 (a)	1937	1936
Month	As-	(b) By-		
	bestos	products	Asbestos	Asbestos
January	16,845	113	22,521	17,016
February	12,177	53	27,382	17,038
March	22,281	199	32,843	16,225
April	24,642	197	42,392	19,605
May	31,007	262	37,748	27,361
June	25,219	319	35,446	23,136
July	23,344	191	35,298	27,749
August	24,820	513	36,991	25,128
September	28,297	513	39,327	31,067
October	34,246	596	33,570	38,231
November	29,471	320	37,737	37,086
December			28,771	21,645
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR			410,026	301,287
TOTAL - ELEVEN MONTHS ending NOVEMBER.	272,349	3,322	381,255	279,642

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

<sup>(</sup>b) Sand, gravel, etc.

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

Crude No. 1 \$700 - \$750 per ton Crude No. 2 and sundry	Shingle stocks Paper stocks		
crudes \$150 - \$350 per ton	Cement stocks	\$21 -	\$25 per ton
Spinning fibres \$110 - \$200 per ton	Floats		
Magnesia and compressed	Shorts		
sheet fibres \$110 - \$200 per ton			

## IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS, RAW AND FIBRE, INTO GREAT BRITAIN, OCTOBER and NOVEMBER, 1938.

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r c wii	£	Short ton	£
943	20,760	876	16,753
719	16,516	1,886	47,037
3,893	7	3,971	54,242
268	4,601	680	9,325
5,823	91,376	7,413	127,357
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