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ASBESTOS PRODUCTION IN CANADA ~ JUNT, 1939.
Shipments of asbestos by Canadian producers amounted to 28,188 tons in June compared with 29.414 tons in the preceding month and 25.219 tons in June, 1938, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first six months of the current year, 144,207 tons were shipped; a year ago, shipments totalled 132,171 tons while in the corresponding period of 1937 , shipments were recorded at 198,332 tons.

Canada exported 37,090 tons of asbestos in June; during May, 24,744 tons were exported. The United States received 43.7 per cent of the June exports; France, 14.4 per cent; Belgium, 11.8 per cent; Germany, 8.9 per cent and Great Britain, 8.6 per cent.

Imports of asbestos products into Canada in June were valued at $\$ 99,617$ or 3.7 per cent below the total for the preceding month. The June importations were as follows
Pounds \$

Asbestos packing .................................................................... 8, 313 3,727
Asbestos brake linings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis .. Asbestos clutch facings for automobiles, motor vehicles and chassis.
25,158
$\ldots \quad 2,973$

Asbestos brake linings and clutch facings, n.0.p. ........................... 1.107
A.jostos in any form, other than crude, and all manufactures of

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\text { n.o.p. } \cdots \cdots \cdots \quad \text {..... } 66,652
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The United States supplied 67.8 per cent of the above imports; Great Britain, 32.0 per cunt, and Germany and. British South africa the remainder.

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTOS IN CATADA (Short tons)

(a) Subject to revision.
(b) Sand, gravel, Etc.

Average prices prevailing at Quebec asbestos mines at the end of JUNE (tax and begs included) as quoted in Metal and Nineral Markets, were as follows -

| Crude No. 1 | \$700-\$750 per ton | Shingle stocks ..... \$57-\$73 per ton |
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| Cmae \%o. 2 and sundry |  | Paper stocks ....... \$40-\$45 per ton |
| crudes . . . . . . . . . . . | \$150-- \$350 per ton | Cement stocks ...... \$21-\$25 per ton |
| Spinnirg fibses ...... | \$110-\$200 per tor | Floats . . . . . . . . $\$ 18$ - \$20 per ton |
| Magmesia and compressed |  | Shorts . . . . . . . . . $\$ 12$ - \$10.50 per to |

IMPORTS OF ASBESTOS, RAW: AND FIBRE, INTO GREAT BRITAIN, MAY and JUNE, 1939.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Short tons | む | Short tons | $£$ |
| from - |  |  |  |  |
| Union of South Africa | 484 | 14,412 | 925 | 23,180 |
| Southern Rhodesia | 2,137 | 59,479 | 1,623 | 44.641 |
| Canada . . . . . . . | 2,316 | 38,438 | 2,138 | 31.795 |
| Other British countries | - | $\cdots$ | 425 | 5.048 |
| Jureien countries ... | 769 | 12.145 | 20 | 252 |
| TOTAL | 5.706 | 124,474 | 5.131 | 104,916 |

