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GYPSUM PRODUCTION IN CANADA - DECEMBER, 1938.

The Canadian production of gypsum amounted to 82,452 tons in December compared with 97,362 tons in November and 71,339 tons in December, 1937, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Exports of crude gypsum during the month totalled 25,921 tons, thus making the total quantity exported during the year, 810,109 tons. Plaster of Paris exportations in December amounted to 79 tons while the total for the year was 1,458 tons. Gypsum production during the calendar year aggregated 1,014,205 tons; in the preceding year, 1,047,187 tons were produced.

Imports of ground gypsum in December declined to 5 tons worth \$100 from the November total of 08 tons at \$3,321. Receipts of plaster of Paris were 56.7 per cent lower at 114 tons; the year's total was 1,326 tons. The United States supplied 69.5 per cent of the tonnage of plaster of Paris brought into Canada; Germany, 24.5 per cent; Belgium, 5.5 per cent, and Great Britain, 0.5 per cent.

PRODUCTION OF GYPSUM IN GANADA, 1936 - 1938, and EXPORTS DURING 1938. 1936 Plaster : Production Production Production Month Production of Paris: Production Tons Tons Tons Tons Tons 4,887 6,159 89,893 140 8,495 January ..... 4,828 100 2,877 5,517 February ..... . . . 6,903 5,329 126 23,185 March ..... 40,007 109 65,523 49,579 36,050 April ...... 110,515 217 113,456 76,634 68,124 May ...... 189 161,929 109,767 June ...... 158,521 93,879 137,554 131,780 34 125,674 132,461 July ...... 129,070 152 116,593 81,896 144,261 August ..... 91,836 27 146,598 87,510 119,221 September ..... 157,490 89,573 114,459 October ,.... 96,161 141 73,983 97,362 95,123 75,661 November ..... 144 59,303 82,452 25,921 79 71,339 December ..... 1,458 1,014,205 310,109 1,047,187 833,822 TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR ...

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



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