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EXTGRNiL TRADE OF CANADAi IN MirCH
Extornal trado of Canada in March was valuod at $\$ 420,800,000$, showing an incroas of 17.2 pur cunt ovor tho Fabruary total, and a gain of 31.5 por cont over tho corrosponding menth last year, according to figures comnilod by the Dominion Buroou of Stetistics. With advances in oach of the throu months of tho year over tho corrasponding, months last yoar, egeregito for the first quarter rose t, \$1,164,000, 000 from $\$ 923,300,000$, or by 26.1 per cent.

Morchandiso imports renchod an all-timo monthly high in Maroh, boing valued at $\$ 208,900,000$ as a mparod with $\$ 177,100,000$ in the preceding month and $\$ 139,900,000$ in tho oorrosponding month last yoar. Tctal value of morchandiso imported during tho first throo months of this yoar was $\$ 559,800,000$, comparod with $\$ 397,200,000$ in the samo poriod of 1946 , an increasc of 41 ner cont.

Canada's inorchandise uxport trade in March increased to $\$ 209,000,000$ from $\$ 179,-$ 500,000 in tho procuding month, and $\$ 178,400,000$ in the corrosponding month last yoar. Total for tho first throe months of tho yer was $\$ 597,100,000$ as aeainst $\$ 52,600,000$ in tho similar neriod of 19 , an inorease of 15 per cent.

Fordign commoditios wore re-exported in March to the value of $\$ 2,900,000$ as against $\$ 2,300,000$ in Fabruery and $\$ 1,600,000$ in March, 19is6. First quarter total was $\$ 7,100,000$ es comnared with $\$ 5,500,000$ in the like porioc of last year.

MERC:INDISE IMPOTTS IN MARCH
Roaching tho hichost point on record for a month, merchandise was imported in March to the valuc of $\$ 2,8,900,000$ as compared with $\$ 177,100,000$ in the precering month anc $\$ 139,900,000$ in tho corresponding month last year, according to figures roloasod by the Dcminion Bureau of Statistics. Agerogate for the first quarter of this your was $\$ 559,800,000$ as comparec with $\$ 397,200,000$ in tho similar period of 1946, an inoroase of 41 per cent.

Fibres, tuxtiles and textile products wero imported in March to the value of $\$ 37,700,000$ as comrared with $\$ 20,400,000$ in March last year, and in tho first quarter of this yoar, $\$ 103,300,000$ against $\$ 56,600,000$ in the similar period of 1946 . Imports of raw ootton and cotton products, showed markod expansion in March, gains in silk and products, wool and wool products, and artificial silk also boing sub$8 \operatorname{tanti}$.

Tho iron and its products group of commoditios rose in the month to $\$ 60,424,000$ from $\$ 29,979,000$ in March last yoar, and in the three-month pariod to $\$ 157,841,000$ from $\langle 86,587,000$, In March, most pronouncod gains wore shown by rolling mill products, farm implomeits and machin ry, non-farm machinury, automobiles and parts, and oneines and boilurs.

Agrioultural and vegetablo products were imported in Marah to the value of $\$ 28,-$ 790,000 as acainst $826,281,000$ in the same month last yoar, and in tho first three months, $\$ 78,424,000$ as compared with $\$ 69,428,000$. Cocoa anc chocolate, coffee, tea, gums and rosins, vegotable oils, an rubbur woro among the principal incroases in March; fruits, nuts and vegutables declinod.

The animals and animal nroducts group of imports roso from $\$ 5,001,000$ in March last yoar to $\$ 7,763,000$ wood, wood products and paper from $\$ 5,831,000$ to $\$ 7,635,000$, non-forrcus mot is and pruducts from $\$ 7,219,000$ to $\$ 13,712,000$, chemioals from $\% 7,-$ 558,000 to $\$ 9,912,000$; miscollancous commoditins fell from $\$ 15,404,000$ to $812,710,000$. Non-motalliss were imported to the v lue of $\$ 30,200,000$ acainst $\$ 22,236,000$, most outstanding gains being recordec in cruce potroloum, petroloum products, Advence In 00.1 was of more moderate proportions.

Imports from the United States in March wore valued at $\$ 165,487,000$ as a geinet \$100,132,000 in the same month last year, bringing the three month total to $\$ 440$, 861,000 as against $\$ 283,583,000$ in the same poriod of 1946. The month's imports from the United Kingdom were valued at $\$ 13,826,000$ against $\$ 14,435,000$, and the throo month total, $38,598,000$ against $\$ 47,496,000$.

Imports from Latin American countries as a groui wora valued at $\$ 12,407,000$ in March as comrared with $9,179,000$, and in the throe months ended Marob, 30,807,000 against 25,687,000. Imports from India in March were valued at $2,888,000$ agoinst 22,1s1,000, British Malaya 2, 842,000 against $\$ 663,000$, Australia $\mathbf{~ 1 , ~ 5 2 6 , 0 0 0 ~ a g a i n s t ~}$人 $2,002,000$, New Zealand $\$ 1,483,000$ against $\$ 842,000$, and Switzerland $\$ 1,165,000$ against 687,000.

## FIFTH QUARTERLY LABOUR FORCE SURVEY

Total omployment in Canada was $4,565,000$ in the last wook of Fobruary, an inoroase of about 250,000 over the corresponding period of 1946, aocording to the dotailed roport of the most reoent labour force survey conducted by the Dominion Buroau of Statistios. Betweon the first week of November ancl the last week of Fobruery, omployment had fallen by roughly 170,000 , and unomploymont had risen by about 25,000 , chanees which are mainly the result of soasonal influenoes, partioularly a dooline in farm work.

Of those comprisine the Canadian civilian labour forco in the last week of Februnry, 4,565,000 were employod, $4,426,000$ being at work, and 139,000 having a job but not being at work, whilo 141,000 woro unemployed. On November 9 last year, $4,733,000$ woro recorded as being employed, including $4,623,000$ at work and 110,000 with a job but not at work, and 115,000 wero unemployed. In Fobrucry last year, $4,312,000$ were omployed, 4,207,000 wero at work, 105,000 had a job but were not at work, and 213,030 woro unomployed.

Thoro woro incroases in employment in all five oconomic regions of the country in the last woek in Fobruary as comparod with 1946. In the Maritimes, the total roso from 372,000 to 411,000, Queboo from 1,206,000 to 1,277,000, Ontario from 2. 504, 000 to 1,605,000, Prairio Provincos from 877,000 to 888,000 , and British Columbia from 353,000 to 384,000 .

The survoy reveals dooreases in unemploymont in all oconomic rogions, as compared with 1946. In tho Maritimos, the totall was roducod from 27,000 to 21,000 , Queboc from 75,000 to 46,000, Ontario from 56,000 to 40,000 , Prairic Provinces from 34,000 to 21,000 , and British Columbia from 21,000 to 13,000 .

Estimated distribution of omploymont in different incustries rovoal that thoso employed in manufacturine roso from $1,181,000$ last yoar to $1,303,000$, while the number employed in a crioulture foll from 1,083,000 to 931,050. In forestry, fishine and tranping, there was an inorease from 134,000 tro 164,000, cnstruotion fra 154,000 to 187,000, transportation and ommunication from 322,000 to 371,000, trado, finance and insuranco fram 635,000 to 719,000 , and service from 732,000 to 823,000. In mining thore was a rap from 71,000 to 67,000 .

COMMERCIAL FA ILURES IN
FITST QUARTER OF 1947
Commeroial fallures in tho first quarter of 1947 rose to 120, a larger number than in the samo period of any yoar sinco 1943, accordine to figures released by the Dominion Buroau ftrtistics. This number is oonsidembly lower than in pre war yoars, comparine with 371 for tho first quartor of 1939. Conoorns failing were more then twice as numerous as in the first quarter of 1946, whon the number was 54, and may be comrared with 83 and 94 for the years 1945 and 1944, respectively.

Liabilities for the first quarter of the year agEregated $\$ 1,431,807$, ompered with $1,467,014$ in 1946, a slicht falling-off being noted in this comparison. An increase oocurred in liabilities when camared with the samo periods of 1945 and 1944. Liabilitios for the same poriod of the last pro-wer year of 1939 were $\$ 3$, 592,118.

## DAIRY ERODUCTION IN APRIL

Total milk production of Canada fell approximately $4,000,000$ pounds in March as comared wit the same month last year, the farm output of $1,069,537,000$ pounds comarine with $1,073,000,000$ pounds in March 1946, acoordine to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Sales of fluid milk doclined $\frac{3}{\text { s }}$ per cent in Maroh, the total being 298,332,000 pounds. Cream sales iid not reveal as great a decline, so that the total sales of milk and cream combined, amounting to $350,444,000$ pounds, was just three per cent below that of March, 19:6.

Production of oroamery butter in the month of ipril amounted to approximately 21,000,000 pounds, an increase of $1,000,000$ pounds over that of April, 1946. Add $=$ ine in stocks in store and transit, and a small quantity of imorted butter, the total supply of creamery buttor amounted to approximately $36,000,000$ pounds as compared with $25,000,000$ in the same menth of tho previous year. According to trado reports, $5,118,376$ gounds of butter were imported in Februcr $y$ and March. most of which camo from Now Zoa?and, matorially strengthening the stock position this souson.

On April 1, the holdines of cramery butter amounted to more than 15,000,000 pounds, approximately three times the quantity reportod at tho samo date in the provious yoar. On May 1, the end of the storace period when stocks reach the low point, tho suantity in storo and in transit amounted to 11,000,000 pounds as againet $7,000,000$ at the samo dato lost year. Tho 1947 supply season begins, thereforo, with a substnatial onrry-over, and providing procuction contenues above the level of tho provious year, favourablo sumply position is indicated.

Formers realizod approximately $\$ 15,520,000$ from the salo of dairy produots during Februcry, revealing an increase of nearly $\$ 2,000,000$ or 11.7 per cent over tho soles income for tho same month of the provious yoar.

## STOCKS IAND MARKETIIGS OF

## WHELT ND COARSE GRAINS

Stocks of Canadian whent in store or in transit in North Amerioa at midnight on Nay 15 totallod $87,793,896$ bushels, a deoline of $6, c_{2} 20,117$ bushels from the previous wock's total of $94,214,013$ bushols, according to figures roloasod by the Dominion Bureau of Stetistioso Current stocks, however, wero $15,690,533$ bushels ahoad of last yoar's corresponding total of $72,103,363$ bushels. Stocks on the latost dato inolucoc $87,755,896$ bushols in Canadian positions and 38,000 in United Statos positions.

Doliverios of whoat from finms in the Prathio Provinoes wore lighter during the wook onding May 15, the total being $4,103,779$ bushels ompared with $4,746,822$ in tho procedins weok. Durine the olapsod portion of the prosont orop year -August 1 to May 15, whoat marketings aggrogated $280,799,144$ bushols compared with $210,840,650$ in the similar period of the proceding crop yocr.

Followine quncticios of coarso erains also were deliverod from fams in the Priirie Provinous during tho wook endine May 15, totals for the proceding week bsing in brackets i (is, $2,116,695(2,119,706)$ bushels; barloy, 1,237,101 (1,291, 117); rye, 60,630 (23,407); flaxseod, 643 (1,663).

STOCKS CF CREAMERY BUTCTR IN NTRE PRIUIPKL CIIIES

Stooks of croamery buttor in zine principal cities of Canada as at the close of businoss on May 16 totalled 6,869,742 pounds, an increase of $1,794,438$ pounds ovor tho total for May 9, accordine to ficures roleased by tho Dominion Buroau of Statistics.

Stocks wore as follows by oitios, totals for May 9 boing in brackets: Quebec, 447,907 (305,835) pouncs; Montroal, 3,257,114 (2,330,574): Toronto, 1,082,244 ( $84.7,596$ ); Winnipoeg. 762, 162 (629,256); Regina, 145,129 (114,509); Saskatoon. 167, 211 (121,274); Edmonton, 317,562 (143,259); Calgary, 183,603 (144,098); Vancaver, $506,570(430,003)$ 。

INVENTORIES AND SHIPIENTS BY MiNUF 1 CTURING INDTTSTRIES

During tho past 14 months thero has beon an incroase in tho valuo of manufacturing inventorios, accorring to tho initial report in a now monthly sorics to be issued by the Dominion Buroau of Statistics. Roports from the 508 establishments incluced in this survey show a rise from 512 million at the and of 1945 to 582 million at the ond of Fobruary 19\&7, an increase of over 13 por cont. Almost half of this Inoreaso has ccourred within the last four months with the inorense curing that poriod occurring predominatoly in tho finishod goods invontory. Whils this reflects some accumulation of geods, part of the hicher inventory value has been due to tho rise in prices, for the incroase in the index of wholusale prices has boen of about the same amount and pattern as tho increase in inventorios. Though direot comparison is not possiblo, wholesalo prices at the end of February were up over 13 per cont from their levol at the enc of 1945 and half of this increase also has occurred sincs last october. Intorpretation of the month to month data requires considereblo caution because as yet there is insufficient information to distinguish soasonal fluctuations in inventorios fron more pormanont acoumulations.

Following the widosproad sottloment of strikes in Octobor, the value of manufacturors' shipmonts rose sharply in Novembor but sinco then it hos shown a rise of less than ono per cont. In viow of the hichur prices, it is apparent that there he s boen some docline in the volume of goods shipped. This decline, togother with tho incroase in inventories of finishod goods may rofleot in part the severe winter weathor, and tho shortage of railway cars. Some of it may also be the result of soasonal accumulations of finished goods inventorios. The largost gains in finishod eoods invontory have been in the rubber goods inventory, the acicultural implements industry, tho auto and suto supplios industry and in some of the toxtilo groups.

Considorablo variation oxists in tho amount of gain shown by difforont industries. Gains in inventory values of over forty per cent durine 1946 wero shown by the furniture, agricultural implomonts and woollon yarn industrios and eains of twenty par cent or more by the boots and shoes, hosiery and knittod goods, jewellery and silvorwaro and mocicinal and phremnecutical products industrios. On the other hond, somo industrios showed a declino in inventories during the year. Thus the miscellanoous foods, cotton and jute bags and the aircraft industry all showed declinos of 10 per ount or more during 1946.

In rocont months the greatest increases have occurred in some of the toxtile groups such as ootton yarn and oloth ond mon's factory olothine, in agricultural implemonts and in tho mattrosses and springs industry.

Tho abovo information is the rosult of a new survo $y$, started last November, when a sample of larger firms in a number of important industries wore asked to report on the value of their inventorios and shipments monthly. From this information totals have beon compiled by industries for identical firms. Whilo these totals do not roprosont the total inventories held in each industry or in manufacturing ह.s a wholo, thoy do provice a reasonably aocurate indication of ourrent changes in inventorios and shipments in the incustries covered.

No ororall indication of the coverage achieved by this survoy is possible at the presont time. As soon as tabulations of 1945 totals are completed it will be possible to indionto how large a part of each industry is included in the sample.

## DEFARTMENT STOSE SALES IN APRIL

Salos of Canadian department storos were nine per cent higher in April than in the corresponding month of last year, but roceded sevon per cont below the total for the prooding month, accordinE to figures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistios. The incruase for the month was smaller than gains reoorded in oarlier months of tho year. Sales in the first four months of 1947 averaged 14 per cent hicher than in the samo period of 1946. Unadjusted indexes, on the base 1935-1939 $=100$, stood at 232.8 for April this year, 213.3 for April 1946, and 249.9 for March, 1947.

## GOLD PRODUCTION LOWER IN FEBRUIRY

Gold production in Canada was lower in February, the total being 222,142 fine ounoss as compared with 233,825 in the precodinc month and 228,939 in tho oorresfoniline month last year, accordine to fleures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. During tho first two minths of this year, 455,967 fine ounces were produoed compared with 467,389 in the similar period of 1946.

Production in February was as follows by areas, totals for the corresponding month last yoar boine in brackets: Nova Scotia, 290 (319) fine ouncos; Queboc, 37,221 (54,084); Ontario, 153,837 (138,638); Manitoba and Saskatchowan, 13.749 (15,355); British Columbia, 13,249 (19,265); Yukon, nil (53); Northwest TerritorLes, 3,796 (1,225).

## SaLES OF CLAY Products IN FEBRUMRY

Sales of products made from Canadian clays in Fobruary were valued at $\$ 875,455$ as compared with $\$ 863,266$ in the preceding month and 671,201 in the oorresponding month last yoar, according to fiequres reloased by thg Dominion Burgau of Statistios. Total for the first two month of this year was 1,738,721 as aeninst $\$ 1,437,067$ in tho similar puriod of 1946.

Salos for the month were as follows by principal items, totals for Fobruery 1946 boint in braokets: builing brick, $4445,666(318,875)$; structural tilo,
 f1roolny blocks and shapes, 8.779 ( 314,324 ); pottery, $114,333(\$ 111,184)$; othor clay products, 553,288 ( 44,733 ).

## SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BhTTER IES

Salcs of oluctric storage battorios and parts by principal Canadian producers wero valuoc at $\$ 1,039,385$ in March, comrered with $\$ 1,106,080$ in the preoedine month and $\mathbf{Q 7 6 5 , 9 4 6}$ in the corrospondine month last yoar, accorcing to figurcs roleas d by the Dominion Bureau of Stetistios. Durine the first quartar of this yoar, salos aecrogated $\$ 3,005,787$ as compared with $\$ 2,369,906$ in the similar poriod of 1946 .

Sales in March comprisod 129,729 battorios at $\$ 832,647$ for the ignition of internal combustion entines, 379 batterios at $\$ 1,979$ for motorcyclo startine, 5,145 colls at $\$ 25,331$ for farm lighting plants, 1,278 cells at $\$ 31,122$ for railway servioes, battories valued ot $\$ 102,781$ for other purposus, includine those for telophone switohboards, and misoollaneous parts and supplios for bettories valued at $\$ 45,525$.

PRODUCTION AND SALES CF
RIGID INSULuTING BOARD
Procuction of rigid insulating boari was increasad in April, the total beine $16,169,575$ squaro feet as compared with $11,584,121$ in the correspond ine m.nth last your, accorling to ficures released by the Dominion Buroau of Stitistics. During the first four months of this year, $61,485,678$ square fout wer producod as comprof with $46,876,364$ in tho similar period of 1945 .

Domostic salos durine April totillod 12,925,02l square foct as compared with 11,191,338 in April last yoar, tho aEErogato for tho first four months of the year standing at $47,692,917$ square foct as compared with $40,713,578$ a yoar ago.

## PRODUCTION OF LEATHER FOOTNEHR

Production of leathor footwar in March amountod to $3,456,069$ pairs combered with $3,299,531$ in tho procoding month and $4,019,660$ in the corrospondine month last yoar, accoring to figures reluasud by the Dominion Bureau of Statistios. In tho first quarter of this yoar, 9,887,786 pairs were produced cumpared with $10,916,908$ in tho similar period of 1946 .

## LANDINGS OF SEA. FISH IN APRII

Landings of soa and shollfish in Canada curine April amounten to 27,482,900 pounds, a decreaso of $11,901,100$ pounds, or 30.2 per cont from the March figure, according to figures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Except for sardinas, all varieties in the Atlantic provinces registeroc increuses, whereas British Columbia roporte? a cocrease of 30.2 por cont from tho March catch. Cumulative landings curine tho first four months of this yoar wore 172,877,200 pounts, on inorease of $12,130,100$ pounds over the similar perion of 196 .

Landines in the sea-fishine provinces in April were: Prince Eiward Island, 15,100 pounds; Nova Scutia, 15,970,600; Now Brunswick, 5,67i,100; Quoboc, 242,500; British Columbia, 5,580,600. Cumulative totals for the four months, in pounds, with the 1940 figures in parenthesus, wero: Prince Erward Island, 626, 200 (1,062, 100); Nove Soutia, $26,938,900(66,867,200)$; New Brunswick, $20,265,000(14,642,100)$; Quebre. $553,700(773,400)$; 3ritish Columbia, 124,593,400 (77, 102, 300).

STOCKS 2ND PRODICTION OF

## RNT HIDES AND LEATHER

Stocks of raw cattio hies at the on? of February totallod 614,729, showing a cooroaso of 4.2 per cont as ompnroi with tho precedine month and 26.8 per cent as omparoc with the corresponcin, late last yoar, accordin to fi《ures released by tho Dominion Buranu of Statistics. Stocks of calf ans kip skins on hand amounted to 516,214 os agkinst 389,656 a year age; gat and kid skins, 181,314 compared with 267,684; horso hidos, 55,188 compared with 53,809 ; and shoop and lamb skins, 82,682 (cozon) cammrer with $81,443$.

Production of solo louthor in February docreased by 437,920 pounds as compared with tho January ficures. Delivorios wero down by 462,696 pounds and finished stock on hand incroased by 57,517 pouncs. Production of cattlo uppor loathor incroased by 250,614 square feot, deliverios ducreased by 276,137 snuare feot and stocks by 136,450 square foet. In calf and kip unpor loather, production docreaser? 60,915 square foot, Celiveries incrensed by 194, 880 square foet, and stocks decreased by 25,700 squ ro feet.

## ESTIMTES OF THE PCPULATION

## BY CONJTGAL CONDITIOA

Nalo population of Canada outnumbered the female by 236, 400 in 1945, accordine to ostimatos of the population -- not includine the Yukon an Northwest Torritories - by sex and conjugal condition, released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. In 1941, when tho last Dominion-wido census was taken, malus oxcuoced the fomelos by 291,653. Tho excess of males was common to all provinces ir 1945, with. Ontario, the three Prairlo Provinces and British Columbia loading in this respoct.

Estimato number of meles in the population in 1945 was $6,169,200$ as compered with $5,890,683$ in 1941, an fomales, $5,932,800$ compared with $5,599,030$. Of the ostimatod malo population in 1945, 3,351,100 wore sinelo as compared with 3,317,054 in 19<1, and of the fomalo total, 2,950,600 were sinelo as suainst 2,904,200. There woro 2,632 , 10 , ind males, comparen with $2,396,633$, and $2,569,800$ married fomales comparo vith 2,333,429. Widower persons, tatalling 575,100 in 1945, comprised 175,000 malus and 400,100 femules.

Estimates of tho morrice malo population in 1945 were as follows by provincos, with number of singlo males in parentheses: Princo Edward Island, 17,500 (28,700); Nova Scotia, 129,000 (177,000); Now Brunswick, 91,800 (140,700); Quebec, 673,500 (1, 061,200); Ontario, $952,100(999,300)$; Man1toba, 167,000 (201,300); Saskatchewan, 176,600 (264,000): Alberta, 186,300 (240,600); British Columbia, 238,900 (235,300);

Estimatos of the marrioc female population in 1945 follow by provincos, numbar of sintio fomeler being in parenthoses: Prince Edward Island, 16,800 (23,900); Nova Scotia, 128,400(153,100); New Brunswick, 39,900 (123,600); Quebeo, $664,500(1,013,200)$; Ontario, $936,300(886,800)$; Manitoba, 161,900 (169,700); Saskatchowan, 165,800 (204,300): Alborta, $178,600(186,100)$; British Columbla, 227,600 (189, 300).

NEW D:IELLING UNITS COMPLETSD
IN CAN DA DUPING 1946
Numbor of now dwolling units crented in Canala in 1946 now stands at 63,637 , an increaso of 15,038 or 31 per cont over the total for $19: 5$, when 48,599 new dwelline units werc oomploted, accordine to ficures released by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The new tutal for $19 i^{5} 5$ is a revision of the prolininary ustimate of 62,660 made public at an earlier date, cue to the receint by the Bureau of accitional returns from municinalities included in the survey.

Tho revised 1946 total comprised 48,730 units in singlo dwellings, 2,456 in semi-detached or cioubles, 510 in rows or terraces, 1,748 in duplexes, 687 in triplexes, 2,200 in apartments or flats, 2,486 business premises and apartments or flats, 11 other types, an 4,809 by conversions or reconversions.

## Car LOADINGS ON CANADIfN RAILNiYS

Car loadines on Canadian railways for the week endec. May 10 amounted to 76,754 cars as compared with 75,165 cars in the prece:'ng week and 68,639 cars in the correspondin- wook last yorr, according to figures reloased by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Grain increased from 8,723 cars last woek to 9,571 , while smaller incroas s were rocordas in coal, ores an concentrates, sanc, stone, Eravel, ete., other mine proclucts, easoline and L.C.I. merchandise. Othor commorities showed minor changes.

During April, 271,000 cars of revenue freieht were loaded as compared with 306,000 in March and 282,000 in April, 1946, and the total for the four menths ondec April was $1,141,000$ cars as cumpared with $1,160,000$ in the similar neriod of 1946 .

## SPORTIRG GCODS INDUSTRY IN 1945

In the realm of sportin activitios Canada occupies an enviable position. With abundant forosts and streams at the disposal of the huntor and anfer it providas an inoxhaustiblo sourca of recroation and pleasure. In other branchos of sport also thore are abundant facilitios for indulgence in hedlthy exorofse, both indoor and outroor, for youne and old of both sexes, all the yorr aound. In 1945 manufacturers in Canada oroduced tho roquisite equiment, supplies and accossories to the extent of over $\$, 000,000$ Nollars, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. To do this required the omployment of 1,101 persons whoso remuneration amountod to $81,33,218$ and the uxpenditure of $3,294,096$ for motorials and supnlies.

## LUMBER INDUSTRY OF NOVA SCOTIA

Nova Scotia's lumber industry had a $E$.oss value of produotion of 311,395,270 in 1945, or almost 18 por cont more than in 1944, aocoriing to the Dominion Bureau of Statistios.

Sawn lumber producad ciuring the year totalled 250,795 thousanc foot board mensure valued at $\mathbf{1 0}, 075,523$ as compared with 229,610 thousand valued at $\$ 8,622,553$ in the procedine yeur. Spruco, white pine, yellow birch, homlock, balsam fir, magle and whito birch were the principal specios.

During the yoar, box shooks were produced to the value of $\$ 675,797$, staves §331,680, headin 447,967, lath 39,5:1, and shingles 334,664 .

## LUMBER INDUSTRY OF NEV: BRUNSWICK

Gross value of prociucir turned out by the lumber industry of New Brunswick in 1945 was $\$ 14,640,542$ as compared with $\$ 13,826,290$ in the procodine yoar, an inorease of almost six per cent, according to ficures reloased by tho Dominion Bureau of Stetistics.

Production of sawn lumber totallec 269,375 thousand foot board measure valued at $\$ 12,143,966$ comparer with 294,818 thousan? valued at $\$ 11,839,238$ in 1944 . Spruce, yollow birch. white pine, hemlock and maple were the principal spocies. Box shooks wore produced to the value of 312,654 , staves $\$ 239,797$, shingles $\$ 140,755$, sawn tios $\$ 131,45 i$, lath $\$ 123,378$, and harcwood squares $\$ 122,02 i_{\text {. }}$.

## FEVER OCCUPIED FARMS IN MANITOBA

Tho number of occunise farms in the Frovince of Manitoba in 1946 was 64,435, a dooronsc of 3,589 from 1941, wocording to proliminary counts of Prairio consus roturns roloased by the Dominion Buroau of Statistice.

## INKS INDUSTRY IN 1945

Output of printing inks in Canada in 1945 was reported at $12,502,374$ pounds veluod at $3,998,471$ as against $10,432,495$ pounds at $3,582,309$ for 1944, and the valuo of writin inks was 4416,924 compared with 448,279 is 1944, according to fleuros rolonsod by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

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