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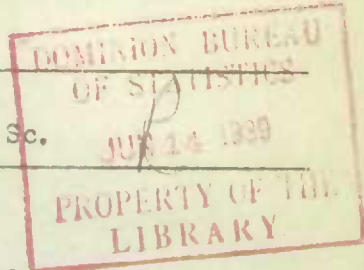
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MONTHLY REPORT

FELDSPAR and SALT PRODUCTION IN CANADA - MARCH, 1939.

FELDSPAR - Shipments of feldspar by Canadian producers in March declined to 650 tons from the preceding months total of 905 tons and the March, 1938 total of 818 tons, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first three months of the current year 2,317 tons were shipped compared with 2,864 tons in the corresponding period of 1938.

Exports of feldspar from Canada in March amounted to 295 tons; in February, 455 tons were exported. Nepheline - syenite exports during the month under review totalled 2,995 tons as against 1,850 tons in the preceding month.

Ground feldspar importations in March were recorded at 45 tons worth \$762, in the previous month, 92 tons at \$1,544 were imported. Crude feldspar receipts amounted to 55 tons at \$274, in February 145 tons valued at \$724 were imported.

PRODUCTION OF FELDSPAR IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938(a)	1937
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	762	1,341	1,087
February	905	705	1,563
March	650	818	2,094
April		586	1,053
May		1,128	1,216
June		1,008	2,231
July		886	2,498
August		1,506	2,118
September		1,477	2,249
October		1,217	1,693
November		1,146	1,505
December		916	2,039
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		12,734	21,346
TOTAL - THREE MONTHS ending MARCH	2,317	2,864	4,744

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SALT - Canadian producers sold 13,882 tons of commercial salt in March, in the preceding month, 10,982 tons were sold while in March, 1938 sales amounted to 13,650 tons. During the first three months of 1939, commercial salt sales totalled 35,399 tons or 5.4 per cent below the tonnage sold a year ago.

A decline of 7.9 per cent was shown in the exports of salt from Canada in March; the month's total was 763 tons compared with 828 tons in February. Exportations during the first quarter of this year aggregated 2,454 tons.

Imports of salt into Canada in March amounted to 4,144 tons worth \$15,318; in February, 5,057 tons at \$15,693 were imported. The United States supplied 82.1 per cent of the March importations, British West Indies, 10.7 per cent and Great Britain, the remainder. The March receipts included 3 tons of table salt worth \$98; 497 tons of salt for sea or gulf fisheries valued at \$1,315; 3,234 tons of salt in bulk, n.o.p. at \$9,772 and 410 tons of salt in bags, barrels and other coverings at \$4,133.

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PRODUCTION OF COMMERCIAL SALT IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938(a)	1937
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	10,535	11,575	11,824
February	10,982	12,205	11,622
March	13,882	13,650	13,406
April		27,419	25,908
May		25,662	24,167
June		28,515	24,658
July		20,350	23,317
August		22,730	19,866
September		25,939	25,734
October		33,169	27,475
November		34,319	32,106
December		13,193	13,425
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		268,726	253,808
TOTAL - THREE MONTHS ending MARCH	35,399	37,430	36,852

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