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REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES IN CANADA,
JANUARY, 1928.

The statistics of production for January are based on the returns of 177 factories out of a total of 181 factories in operation during the month. Three factories in Quebec and 1 factory in Ontario failed to make return. The factories in operation are located by provinces as follows: Nova Scotia, 2; New Brunswick, 5; Quebec, 108; Ontario, 59; Manitoba, 1; Alberta, 1; and British Columbia, 5.

PRODUCTION.— The total production of leather footwear for the month was 1,482,914 pairs, a decrease from the preceding month of 139,618 pairs, but an increase over the month of January, 1927, of 75,751 pairs. Footwear classified as "boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers" totalled 1,371,419 pairs, a decrease from the preceding month of 40,098 pairs, but an increase over the corresponding month of 1927 of 30,768 pairs. The largest proportionate decrease is shown in the production of footwear with felt uppers, which dropped from 132,414 pairs in December, 1927, to 39,018 pairs in January, 1928 — a decrease of 71 p.c. The production of this kind of footwear, however, shows an increase over the production for January, 1927, of 1,224 pairs. The classification of footwear according to size shows decreases from the preceding month for all sizes. In the classification according to process, welts and stitch-downs show increased production, while the other processes show decreases. The average production of footwear per factory in January, 1928, was 8,378 pairs, compared with 9,378 pairs in the preceding month and 8,181 pairs in the month of January, 1927.

Statistics of production for the month of January, 1928, and comparative statistics for January, 1927, are given in the following tables.

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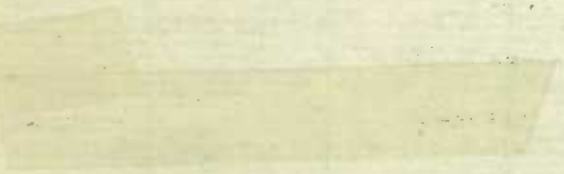
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1. Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, January, 1928.

Process:	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses' and Children's	Babies' and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers- Welts	265,909	6,729	66,666	17,983	14,199	371,486
McKays, and all imitation welts	53,289	37,027	343,418	59,081	12,260	505,075
Turns	422	180	42,764	1,091	5,549	50,006
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	142,324	52,121	7,396	7,727	214	209,782
Stitchdowns	26,184	13,854	29,272	96,525	50,130	215,965
All other	958	153	9,241	1,283	7,470	19,105
Totals	489,086	110,064	498,757	183,690	89,822	1,371,419
(b) Sheepacks, larrigans and moccasins	17,281	6,260	11,933	4,043	2,696	42,218
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	13,857	1,704	17,526	4,311	1,620	39,018
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	4,084	581	17,207	3,964	4,423	30,259
Total Footwear	524,308	118,609	545,423	196,008	98,561	1,482,914

2. Comparative Statistics of the Production of Boots and Shoes in Canada, for the month of January, 1927.

Process	Men's	Boys' and Youths'	Women's	Misses' and Children's	Babies' and Infants	Total
	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a) Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers -						
Welts	262,592	8,535	49,712	10,582	11,236	342,657
McKays, and all imitation welts	48,459	42,970	342,804	64,205	14,747	513,185
Turns	1,603	187	47,747	3,120	11,197	63,854
Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	124,695	66,479	9,086	12,625	191	213,076
Stitchdowns	19,858	12,614	27,411	87,950	46,145	193,978
All other	1,570	176	5,057	138	6,960	13,901
Totals	458,777	130,961	481,817	178,620	90,476	1,340,651
(b) Sheepacks, larrigans and moccasins	9,514	4,611	2,393	617	1	17,136
(c) Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	14,572	624	18,002	3,846	750	37,794
(d) Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	1,297	989	6,163	2,733	400	11,582
Total Footwear	484,160	137,185	508,375	185,816	91,627	1,407,163

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