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REPORT ON THE PRODUCTION OF BOOTS AND SHOES

IN CANADA, DECEMBER, 1928.

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Number of Factories .- The statistics of the present report are based on the returns of 170 factories out of a total of 175 factories in operation during the month. The factories in operation are located by provinces as follows - Nova Scotia, 3; New Brunswick, 3; Quebec, 103; Ontario, 59: Manitoba, 2; and British Columbia, 5. Four factories in Quebec and one factory in Ontario neglected to make return.

Production .- The output of the leather footwear industry in December, 1928, amounted to 1,260,576 pairs, comprising 1,074,643 pairs of boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers; 24,283 pairs of shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins; 106,704 pairs of footwear with felt uppers; and 54,946 pairs of slippers. Each of these items shows a decrease from the preceding month, the decrease for all kinds amounting to 294,891 pairs, or 19 p.c. Compared with the month of December, 1927, a decrease is shown of 361,956, or 22 p.c.

Cumulative Production .- The total quantity of leather footwear manufactured during the 12 months ended December 31, 1928, based on the monthly returns, was 20,005,363 pairs. This compares with a cumulative production of 19,517,218 pairs for the 12 months of 1927, but with a production according to the annual census for 1927 of 20,567,765 pairs. The difference is explained by the fact that the annual census takes account of every establishment in operation during the year, while for the monthly record, there are usually lacking the returns of 5 or 6 establishments. Also in the annual census the manufacturer is at liberty to furnish return for his business year instead of for the calendar year, and this would account for a part of the difference shown between the annual census figure and the result of the cumulative monthly production figure.

Imports and Exports -- The imports of leather footwear, comprising boots and shoes with leather, canvas and felt uppers, in December, 1928, totalled 114,913 pairs, compared with 218,413 pairs in the preceding month and 120,716 pairs in December, 1927. The quantity of Canadian made leather footwear exported in December, 1928, was 3,968 pairs, compared with 15,774 pairs in the preceding month and 8,172 pairs in December, 1927. The imports for the 12 months ended December 31, 1928, totalled 1,493,597 pairs, compared with 1,237,963 pairs in 1927; and the exports 140,638 pairs, compared with 116,645 pairs in 1927.

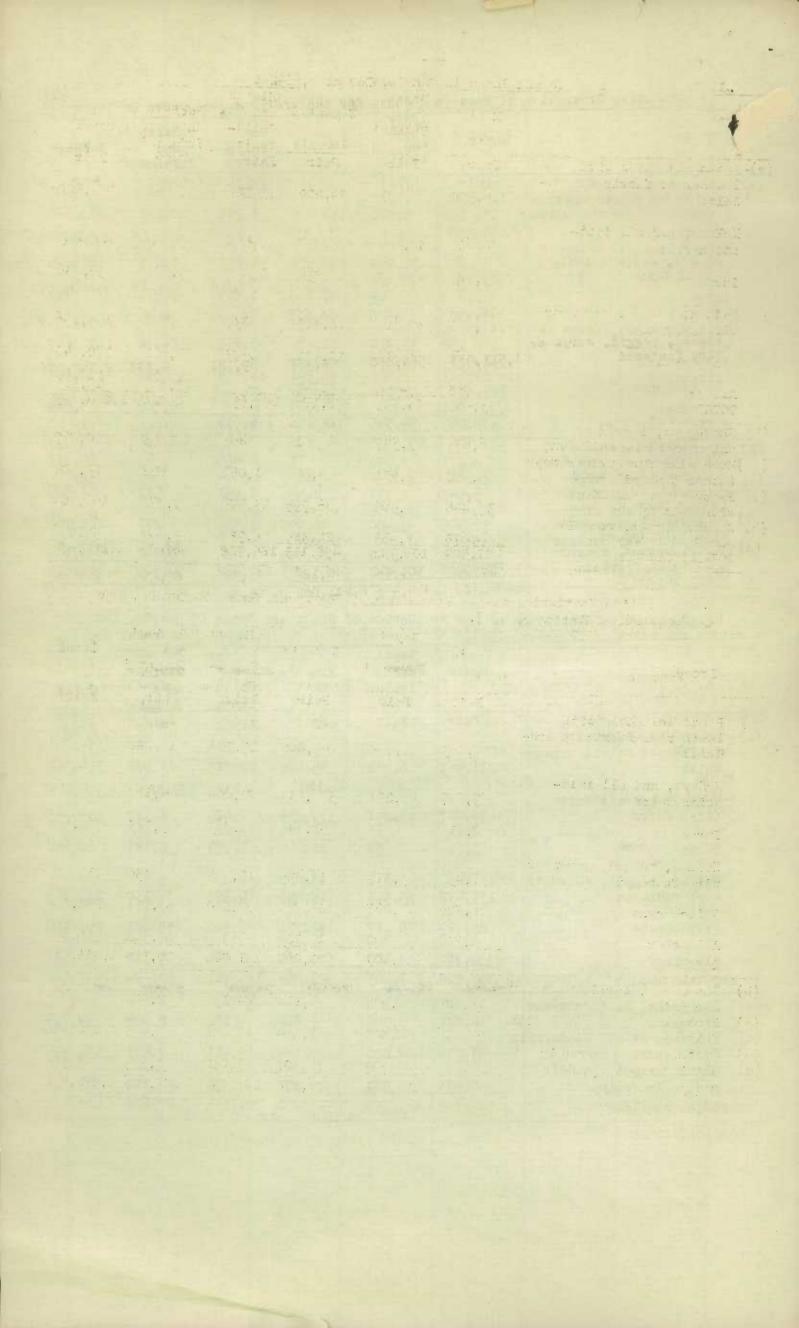
General Tables .- Statistics of production are given in detail in the following Tables.

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	1. Production of Boots and	d Shoes in	Canada,	December,	1928.		
	Process	Men!s	Boys! and Youths!	Women's	Misses and Child-	Babies and	Total
					ren's	Infants!	
(a)	Boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers-	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
	Welts	186,390	5,521	34,209	11,206	20,251	257,577
	McKays, and all imit- ation welts	54,621	32,444	278,528	53,623	9,249	428,465
	Turns	3,476	64	27,830	1,595	3:531	36,496
	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	105,152	39,714	12,469	5,839	2,972	166,146
	Stitchdowns	22,663	6,802	21,391	84,373	35,511	170,740
	All other TOTAL	763 373,065	84,545	3,749 378,176	156,636	10,707	15,219
(b)	and moceasins, (oil Tan)	6,873	3,397	1	465	43	10,779
,	)Moccasins for outdoor wear (other than otl tan) Footwear of all kinds	5,442	1,931	4,55	5 1,053	522	13,504
	with felt uppers Cloth, carpet, boudoir	37,446	5,400	46.99!	5 13,586	3,277	106,704
	and Indian slippers	4,678	8,459		5 8,982	4,442	54,946
	TOTAL FOOTWEAR	427,504	103,732	458,11	3 180,722	90,505	1,260,576

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

	Process	Men's	Boys! and Youths!	Wamen's	Misses and Child- ren's	Babies' and Infants'	Total
(a)	Boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers-	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pai:	Pair	Pair
	Welts	271,463	6,478	45,448	17,285	14,088	354,762
	McKays, and all imit- ation welts	59,737	45,291	370,233	72,004	8,180	555,445
	Turns	2,716	54	51,444	1,253	5,183	60,650
	Nailed, pegged, screw or wire fastened	137,432	55,313	14,495	10,395	130	217,765
	Stitchdowns	28,729	10,167	27,721	79,910	55,681	202,208
	All other	1,797	100	10,724	954	7,112	20,687
	TOTALS	501,874	117,403	520,065	181,801	90,374	1,411,517
(b)	Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins	18,824	5,999	3,814	4,132	2,004	34,773
(c)	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers Cloth, carpet, boudoir	53,216	4,820	47,184	19,721	7.473	132,414
(4)	and Indian slippers	5,875	909	25,807	3,482	7,755	43,828
	TOTAL FOOTWEAR	579,789	129,131	596,870	209,136	107,606	1,622,532



3. Cumulative Production of Boots and Shoes for the twelve months ended December 31,

1		Men's	Boys! and Youths!	Women's	Misses and Child- ren's	Babies! and Infants!	Total
(.)	70 - 24 - 12 - 12 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
(a)	Boots and shoes with leather or fabric uppers-						
	Welts		72,368	712,375	159,401	145,804	3,822,946
	16-17						
	McKays, and all imit- ation welts	717,150	563,985	5,557,751	908,932	192,922	7,940,740
	Turns	78,095	13,662	520,253	16,526	49,077	677,613
	Nailed, pegged, screw or						
	wire fastened	1,513,953	565,880	88,987	69,721	4,397	2,242,938
	Stitchdowns	303,457	105,178	304.418	1.248.880	645,312	2,607,245
	All other	17,086			33,595		283,179
	TOTALS	5,362,739	1,322,093	7,269,858	2,437,055	1,182,916	17,574,661
(b)	Shoepacks, larrigans and					)	
(hh)	moccasins (oil tan)	120,320	33,863	15,787	8,576	4,533	183,079
(00)	Moccasins for outdoor wes (other than oil tan)	103,300	30,411	69,269	28,718	12,329	244,027
(c)	Footwear of all kinds	10),)00	50,711	03,203	20,710	10,000	277, 921
	with felt uppers	438,444	47,577	516,028	135,134	52,882	1,190,065
(d)	Cloth, carpet, boudoir						
	and Indian slippers	62,507	30,504		97,884		
	TOTAL FOOTWEAR	6,087,310	1,464,448	8,411,062	2,707,367	1,335,176	20,005,363

4. Production of Boots and Shoes for the year 1927, according to the Annual Report.

	Process	Men's	Boys! and Youths	Women's	Misses' and Childre	Babies and	Total
(a)	Boots and Shoes with leather or fabric uppers:	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair	Pair
	Welts McKays and all imi-	2,958,962	152,215	1,186,180	150,181	237,929	4,685,467
	tation welts Turnd Nailed, pegged, screw or wire	716,406 42,185		5,132,383 640,220	868,276		7,488,250
	fastened Stitchdowns All Other	1,508,624 279,357 23,254	250,223	64.017	1,161,209	607,807	199,595
	TOTALS	5,528,788	1,641,119	7,426,345	2,315,552	1,300,170	18,211,974
(b)	Shoepacks, larrigans and moccasins	181,303	88,711	65,321	22,935	9,020	367,290
(c)	Footwear of all kinds with felt uppers	431,573	42,852	371,041	153,305	42,941	1,041,712
(d)	Cloth, carpet, boudoir and Indian slippers	70 005	0 906	600,645	167 071	07 070	016 790
	TOTAL FOOTWEAR						946,789



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