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A preliminary survey of the boot and shoe industry in Canada has now been completed by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for the Calendar year 1918, covering returns of 152 establishments. In addition returns were received from 33 establishments which manufactured boots and shoes but which were classified among repairing establishments as their repairing exceeded their manufacturing operations.

Capital.

The total capital invested in the industry was \$31,493,152 of which land, buildings and fixtures constituted \$5,496,952, \$5,306,982 machinery and tools \$3,613,338, materials on hand, stocks in process finished products and miscellaneous supplies \$44,829,317, and cash, trading and operating accounts and bills receivable \$8,043,515.

Employees, Salaries and Wages.

The number of employees on salaries according to sex was 1,065 males and 381 females, and the total salaries paid them was \$2,037,529.

The average number of persons employed on wages by sex was 6,760 males and 4,128 females, and the total of their wages \$6,787,760. In addition to these there were 94 males pieceworkers receiving \$57,557 and 296 females who received \$101,238.

Fuel and Miscellaneous Expenses.

The total cost of fuel used in the industry was \$160,398 of which \$68,008 was of Canadian origin and \$92,390 of foreign origin.

The cost of the items of miscellaneous expense was \$2,967,477.

Materials.

The cost of raw and partially manufactured materials used in the industry was \$25,227,448, to which leather of all kinds contributed \$18,009,401, and supplies \$7,218,047.

Products.

The total value of production in the industry for the year amounted to \$43,332,932, itemized as follows:-

| <u>KIND</u> | <u>PAIRS</u> | <u>VALUE</u> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Men's boots and shoes | 4,354,585 | 17,049,789 |
| Boys' and youths' | 1,227,772 | 3,597,852 |
| Women's shoes | 3,368,737 | 11,153,267 |
| Misses' and children's | 2,413,768 | 4,647,178 |
| Men's, Boys' and Youths' slippers | 132,903 | 178,272 |
| Women's, misses' and children's | 1,214,541 | 1,893,658 |
| Infants shoes and slippers | 354,989 | 399,979 |
| Moccasins | 315,328 | 883,836 |
| All other (value only) | - | 3,419,723 |
| Construction and repair work | - | 109,378 |

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