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THE LEATHER GOODS (N.E.S.) INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1920.

Ottawa, January, 1923:- The industry with the title of Leather Goods, N.E.S., comprises all classes of leather products that are not recognized as of sufficient importance to warrant a separate report as for instance, "Boots and Shoes", "Harness and Saddlery", etc. It includes such articles as belts, razor strrops, purses, etc., tobacco pouches and other fancy leather goods, the total value of which for the calendar year amounted to \$1,730,616 from 51 individual plants.

PRINCIPAL STATISTICS

In the accompanying table, comparative statistics of Leather goods are shown for the Dominion for the calendar years 1919 and 1920, and by provinces for the latter period. Ontario leads the other provinces in every respect, the value of its production being over 82 per cent of the total for the whole Dominion in 1920. The value added by the processes of manufacture during the year was \$900,481, of which labour with an expenditure of \$521,492 for salaries and wages formed the principal item. The percentage of the value added by manufacture attributed to labour was, therefore, 57.9 per cent, followed by miscellaneous expenses, with 19.7 per cent; interest, at 6 per cent on capital invested, with 5.8 per cent, and fuel with 0.7 per cent. There remains 15.9 per cent which constitutes a fund for the payment of dividends and other unforeseen expenditures.

	No.	1919	1920	Ontario	Quebec	Western Provs.
		CANADA	CANADA	Ontario	Quebec	Provs.
Establishments	No.	28	31	21	8	2
Capital invested	\$	1,486,830	855,850	747,601	95,163	23,086
Salaried employees -						
Male	No.	81	63	43	11	4
Female	No.	24	19	16	3	-
Salaried paid	\$	200,127	134,190	111,430	16,287	6,473
Wage earners (Av. No.) -						
Male	No.	391	198	165	31	2
Female	No.	263	277	222	48	8
Wages paid	\$	436,140	363,423	322,820	51,949	8,654
Outside piece-workers -						
Male	No.	3	2	2	-	-
Female	No.	3	17	10	7	-
Amount paid	\$	1,264	3,379	3,429	450	-
Cost of fuel	\$	14,092	6,543	5,874	389	60
Power employed -						
Units	No.	25	23	15	5	3
Capacity	H.P.	522	92	82	7	3
Used	H.P.	317	67	53	5	3
Miscellaneous expenses ..	\$	154,221	177,381	152,247	20,041	5,593
Cost of materials	\$	1,065,703	830,135	681,692	108,189	40,254
Value of products	\$	2,306,376	1,730,616	1,427,741	236,917	65,958
Value added by manufacture \$		1,240,673	900,481	746,049	128,728	25,704

¹ Includes British Columbia 1, Manitoba 1.

THE LEATHER GOODS, (N.E.S.) INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1920.PRODUCTION

The value of the classes of products made in Leather goods plants is shown in the following table for Canada and the provinces in 1920. The largest item in the list of articles enumerated is "purses, pocket books," etc., with a production value of \$520,558, followed in order by "club bags, hand bags and satchels" with \$325,567 and "Fancy articles of leather" worth \$210,560. It has not been found possible to give quantities of production owing to incompleteness in some of the returns received by the Bureau.

Products	CANADA	Ontario	Quebec	Western Provs.
Harness parts	52,512	52,512	-	-
Leather trimmings	200	200	-	-
Sweat pads	100	100	-	-
Valises and suit cases ...	8,822	8,822	-	-
Club bags, hand bags and satchels	325,567	322,205	3,362	-
Purses, pocket books and folders	520,558	452,766	67,792	-
Razor strops	15,302	3,823	11,479	-
Body belts, (all kinds) ...	82,950	82,850	100	-
Transmission beltings	2,659	2,659	-	-
Fancy articles of leather .	210,560	138,926	71,634	-
Tobacco pouches	26,437	-	26,437	-
Hand bags, silk, velvet, etc.	35,500	-	35,500	-
Leather coats	37,329	-	-	37,329
Felt pennants, souvenirs ..	28,629	-	-	28,629
All other products	379,298	358,771	20,527	-
Amount received for custom work and repairs	4,193	4,107	86	-
TOTALS	1,730,616	1,427,741	236,917	65,958

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

The total capital invested in 1920 was \$865,850, of which land, buildings and fixtures represented \$149,935, or 17.3 per cent; machinery and tools, \$84,357, or 9.7 per cent; materials on hand, etc., \$366,275 or 42.3 per cent, and working capital, (cash, etc.) \$265,283 or 30.7 per cent. Of the total capital Ontario contributed 86.4 per cent and Quebec 11 per cent.

Items of Capital	CANADA	Ontario	Quebec	Western Provs.
Land, buildings and fixtures	\$ 149,935	\$ 142,641	\$ 7,294	-
Machinery and tools	84,357	70,761	10,389	3,207
Materials on hand, stocks in process, etc.....	366,275	298,992	56,569	10,714
Cash, trading & operating accts.....	265,283	235,207	20,911	9,165
TOTALS	865,850	747,601	95,163	23,086

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EMPLOYEES, SALARIES AND WAGES

Employment statistics are presented in the table below by (1) classes of employment, (2) sex and (3) salary and wage payments. The average payment to all classes of employees in 1920 was \$905.40, as compared with \$828 in 1919, or an increased payment of 9.3 per cent.

Classes of Employment	No. of Employees		Salaries & Wages
	Male	Female	
Officers, superintendents, managers	39	3	82,127
Clerks, stenographers, salesmen, etc.	24	16	52,063
Employees on wages, average number	198	277	383,423
Outside piece-workers	2	17	3,879
TOTALS	253	313	521,492

CLASSIFIED WEEKLY WAGES

In the following table, wage earners have been classified according to the amount of weekly wages received. The number receiving less than \$20 per week was 343, as against 120 who received more than \$20 per week.

Groups of Weekly Wages	CANADA		Ontario		Quebec		Western Provs.	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	M.	Female	Male	Female
Under \$5 per week	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
\$5 to under \$10 per week	22	62	19	37	3	25	-	-
\$10 " " \$15 "	32	119	27	98	4	11	1	10
\$15 " " \$20 "	23	84	19	75	4	1	-	3
\$20 " " \$24 "	24	10	20	8	4	2	-	-
\$24 " " \$30 "	34	1	29	1	5	-	-	-
\$30 per week and over ..	51	-	40	-	7	-	4	-
TOTALS	187	276	154	219	28	39	5	13

MATERIALS USED

The cost value of the materials used in the industry during the year is shown for Canada and the provinces in the subjoined table. Leather of all kinds constituted nearly 60 per cent of the total cost of materials, amounting to \$507,704 in a total cost of \$830,135.

Materials used	CANADA	Ontario	Quebec	Western Provs.
Harness leathers	\$ 90	\$ 90	\$ -	\$ -
Fine leathers	302,908	269,830	33,078	\$ -
All other leather	175,119	161,147	13,972	\$ -
Imitation leather	29,587	14,104	15,483	\$ -
Felt	4,345	3,345	1,500	\$ -
Canvas linings and other textiles	81,957	64,117	17,524	\$ 16
Horsehair, straw, excelsior, etc..	656	656	-	\$ -
Harness & saddlery hardware and mountings	1,963	863	1,100	\$ -
All other metal mountings, frames, etc.....	90,580	75,403	14,927	245
Vibre cardboard and paper	33,524	29,846	2,934	744
Lumber	4,709	4,617	92	\$ -
Paints, oils, varnishes, etc.....	2,225	2,099	215	\$ -
Thread and wax	7,083	5,528	944	611
All other materials	94,889	50,132	6,419	38,338
TOTALS	\$830,135	681,592	108,189	40,254

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FUEL CONSUMPTION

The quantity and value of fuel used is shown by classes in the summary table following. Domestic fuels cost \$3,107, as compared with \$3,236 for foreign or imported fuels.

Classes of Fuel	Unit	Quantity	Value
Bituminous coal	tons	18	306
Anthracite coal	"	184	2,932
Coke	"	2	22
Oil (fuel)	gal.	26,060	2,635
Wood	cds.	13	81
Gas	m.c.ft.	268	272
Other fuel	-	-	95
TOTAL COST OF FUEL			\$6,343

POWER EMPLOYED

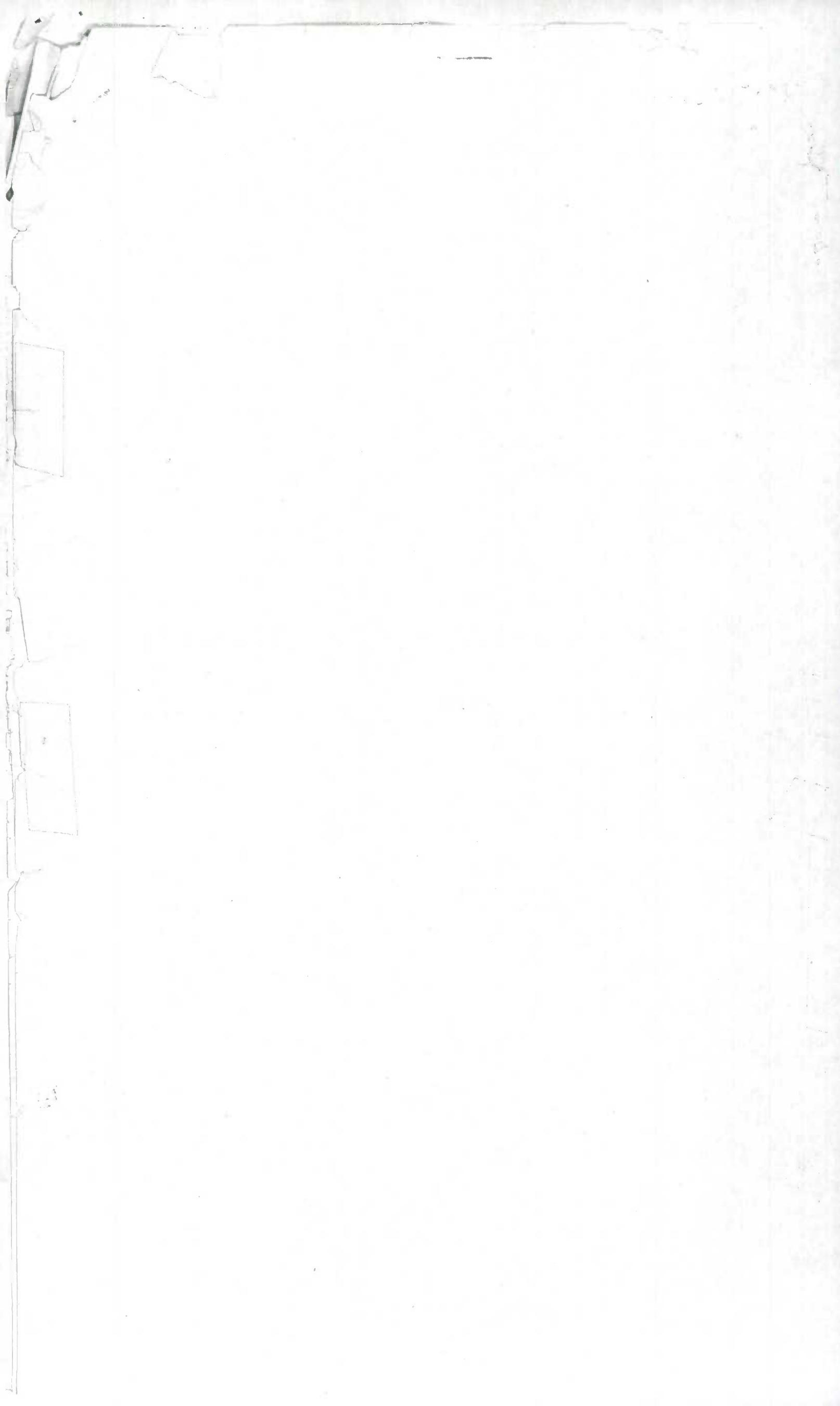
The class of power used in the industry was almost entirely electrical, as will be seen in the table below:-

Classes of power	Units	Horse - power	
		Capacity	Actually used
Electric motors	22	87	62
Other power	1	5	5
TOTALS	23	92	67

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

The outlay for miscellaneous or overhead items of expense connected with the industry amounted to \$177,881 during the year. Of this amount \$73,072 was spent in marketing the product. Rent of offices, etc., amounted to \$16,255, taxes to \$13,762, and repairs to buildings and machinery to \$11,298. All other items of sundry expense amounted to \$47,369.

Items of Expense	Amount
Rent of offices, works and machinery	\$ 16,255
Rent of power	2,693
Insurance, premiums for year only	5,415
Taxes, municipal, provincial, federal	13,762
Royalties, use of patents, etc.....	117
Advertising expenses	7,900
Travelling expenses	73,072
Repairs to buildings and machinery	11,298
All other sundry expenses	47,369
TOTALS	\$177,881



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