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FACTORY SALES OF ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERIES

Sales of electric storage batteries and parts by principal Canadian producers were valued at \$2,609,742 during December, 1955, compared with \$2,163,898 during December, 1954. The sales for December, 1955, included 198,813 batteries at \$2,119,781 for the ignition of internal combustion engines for passenger cars and light trucks; 2,146 cells at \$23,623 for farm lighting plants; 1,706 cells at \$67,800 for railway service; batteries valued at \$336,473 for all other purposes, including telephone switchboards, direct motive power and ignition of internal combustion engines other than passenger cars and light trucks; and miscellaneous parts and supplies at \$52,387.

Table 1 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, December, 1954 and 1955

Type	December, 1954		December, 1955	
	Number	Selling value at works	Number	Selling value at works
		\$		\$
For starting and/or ignition of internal combustion engines:				
(a) Automotive type (Passenger cars and light trucks)	Batteries			
(b) Other	Batteries			
For farm lighting plants	Cells			
For railway service	Cells			
For all other purposes	-			
Parts and supplies	-			
Total	-		-	
		\$		\$
	164,177	1,754,575	198,813	2,119,781
	-	3,190	-	9,678
	2,758	35,475	2,146	23,623
	2,098	99,602	1,706	67,800
	-	221,087	-	336,473
	-	49,969	-	52,387
	-	2,163,898	-	2,609,742

NOTE: Firms which report monthly account for more than 95 per cent of the total Canadian production of storage batteries. For a list of reporting firms, please refer to the report for January, 1955.

Table 2 - Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, Twelve Months Ended December, 1954 and 1955

Type	Twelve months ended December, 1954		Twelve months ended December, 1955	
	Number	Selling value at works	Number	Selling value at works
		\$		\$
For starting and/or ignition of internal combustion engines:				
(a) Automotive type (Passenger cars and light trucks)	Batteries			
(b) Other	Batteries			
For farm lighting plants	Cells			
For railway service	Cells			
For all other purposes	-			
Parts and supplies	-			
Total	-		-	
		\$		\$
	1,761,851	17,321,508	2,181,332*	21,776,147*
	-	65,828	6,386	141,688
	24,690	312,452	25,549	297,571
	25,252	1,200,739	20,524	890,196
	-	3,348,091	-	3,288,748
	-	551,153	-	701,848
	-	22,799,771	-	27,096,198*

* Revised.

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