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## MONTHLY REPORT

## CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS AND LIME PRODUCTION - FEBRUARY, 1936.

CEMENT - Portland cement shipments by Canadian producers amounted to 94,602 barrels in February, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In January, 96,512 barrels were shipped while in February, a year ago, shipments totalled 70,776 barrels.

Exports of Portland cement from Canada in February declined to 467 barrels from the January total of 911 barrels.

Cement imports into Canada in February rose to 832 barrels valued at \$2,862 from the January importations of 413 barrels worth \$1,377. The February receipts were obtained from the following countries: the United States, 471 barrels and Great Britain, 361 barrels.

PRODUCTION OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January February March April May June July August September October November	96,512 94,602	53,479 70,776 130,747 244,174 387,684 430,884 453,155 475,187 476,617 512,671 264,004	68,957 66,739 107,695 210,715 382,523 522,143 566,133 569,215 500,342 482,149 223,909
TOTAL - Calendar Year		116,632 3,616,010	82,706
TOTAL - Two months ending FEBRUARY	191,114	124,255	135,696

(a) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Clay and clay products sold by Canadian producers in February were valued at \$102,230 as compared with the preceding month's valuation of \$117,050 and the February, 1935, total of \$88,873.

Exports of clay and clay products from Canada increased 2.6 per cent in value in February to \$70,866, from the January total.

Clay and clay products imported into Canada in February were appraised at 474,766 as against the January valuation of 4497,537. Great Britain supplied 49.0 per cent of the February importations; the United States, 44.3 per cent; and Japan, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, France, Hong Kong, Palestine, Finland, China and Mexico, the remainder.

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## PRODUCTION OF CLAY PRODUCTS FROM DOMESTIC CLAYS IN CANADA

Month 1936		1935(a)	1934
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January	117,050	79,976	129,538
February	102,230	88,873	108,286
March	163,873	137,000	146,130
April		190,938	220,958
May		259,689	290,597
June		287,705	290,955
July		316,601	300,575
August		311,496	275,328
September		310,679	257,719
October		339,709	292,335
November		245,770	233,302
December		164,632	134,687
TOTAL - Calendar Year		2,733,068	2,680,410
TOTAL - Three months ending MARCH	383,153	305,849	383,954

(a) Subject to revision.

LIME - Shipments of lime from Canadian kilns in March amounted to 32,929 tons as against 28,133 tons in February and 32,616 tons in March, 1935. During the first quarter of 1936 Canadian producers sold or used 91,268 tons of lime; in the corresponding period, a year ago, 90,507 tons were sold or used.

Canada exported 495 tons of lime in March as compared with 894 tons exported in February.

Imports of lime into Canada in March were obtained from the United States and amounted to 48 tons worth \$551. During February 72 tons at \$1,237 were imported into Canada.

PRODUCTION OF LIME IN CANADA Month 1936(a) 1935(a) 1934 Tons Tons Tons January ..... 30,206 28,873 26,442 February ..... 28,133 29,018 27,701 34,820 March ..... 32,929 32,616 29,112 35,149 April ..... 34,214 32,391 May ..... June ...... 32,451 32,684 33,126 31,237 July ..... 32,597 30,915 August ..... 28,339 September ..... 34,471 October ..... 38,263 29,417 November ..... 36,846 32,481 32,338 December ..... 32,584 TOTAL - Calendar Year ..... 399,962 368,113 90,507 88,963 TOTAL - Three months ending MARCH ..... 91,268

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