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## MONTHLY REPORT

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

CEMENT - Portland cement shipments from Canadian plants in April advanced to 293,538 barrels from the preceding month's total of 167,129 barrels and the April, 1935, total of 244,174 barrels, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first four months of 1936 shipments totalled 651,781 barrels or 30.6 per cent above the quantity shipped a year ago.

Custom's records show that 2,792 barrels of Portland cement were exported from Canada in April as compared with 1,239 barrels in the preceding month. Peru and Newfoundland were the principal importers of Canadian cement in April.

Cement imports into Canada in April amounted to 1,917 barrels worth 49,791; in March 3,141 barrels at 47,524 were imported. Great Britain supplied 57.9 per cent of the April importations, the United States, 38.6 per cent, and Belgium, the remainder.

PRODUCTION OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Burrels	Barrels	Barrals
January	96,512	53,479	68,957
February	94,602	70,776	66,739
March	167,129	130,747	107,695
April	293,538	244,174	210,715
May		387,684	382,523
June		430,884	522,143
July		453,155	566,133
August		475,187	569,215
September		476,617	500,342
October		512,671	482,149
November		264,004	223,909
December		116,632	82,706
TOTAL - Calendar Year		3,616,010	3,783,226
TOTAL - Four months ending APRIL	651,781	499,176	454,106

(a) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - The value of clay and clay products sold by Canadian producers in April amounted to \$226,722 as compared with \$163,873 in March and \$190,938 in April, 1935. During the four months ending April the value of sales totalled \$609,875 or 22.8 per cent above the total for the corresponding months of 1935.

Exports of clay and clay products from Canada in April were appraised at 41,050; the March export valuation was w12,760. Approximately 59.4 per cent of the April exports were consigned to South Africa.

Clay and clay products imported into Canada in April were valued at \$511,093 as against the previous month's total of \$610,759. Great Britain accounted for 49.1 per cent of the April importations, the United States, 42.6 per cent; Japan, 5.6 per cent, and Germany, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, China, Hong Kong and Palestine, the remainder.

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## PRODUCTION OF CLAY PRODUCTS FROM DOMESTIC CLAYS IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	\$	\$	\$
January February March April May June July August September October November December	117,050 102,230 163,873 226,722 306,825	79,976 88,873 137,000 190,938 259,689 287,705 316,601 311,496 310,679 339,709 245,770 164,632	129,538 108,286 146,130 220,958 290,597 290,955 300,575 275,328 257,719 292,335 233,302 134,687
TOTAL - Calendar Year		2,733,068	2,680,410
TOTAL - Five Months ending May	916,700	756,476	895,509

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

LIME - Shipments of lime from Canadian kilns in May advanced to 39,239 tons from the April total of 36,296 tons and the May, 1935 total of 34,214 tons. During the first five months of 1936, shipments totalled 166,803 tons; this was 4.3% higher than the tonnage shipped a year ago.

The Canadian exports of lime in May were higher at 1,523 tons as compared with 1,019 tons exported in April.

Canada imported 57 tons of lime valued at \$724 in May as against 49 tons at \$672 imported in April. Imports during the five months ending May, 1936 amounted to 268 tons worth \$3,687.

PRODUCTION OF LIME IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January February March April May June July August September October November December	30,206 28,133 32,929 36,296 39,239	28,873 29,018 32,616 35,149 34,214 32,451 33,126 32,597 34,471 38,263 36,846 32,338	26,442 27,701 34,820 29,112 32,381 32,684 31,237 30,915 28,339 29,417 32,481 32,584
TOTAL - Calendar Year		399,962	368,113
TOTAL - Five Months ending May	166,803	159.870	150,456

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