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MONTHLY REPORT

CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME - NOVEMBER, 1938.

CEMENT - Shipments of Portland cement by Canadian producers amounted to 397,066 barrels in November, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During October, 710,135 barrels were shipped while in November, 1937, the total was 414,803 barrels. During the first eleven months of the current year, 5,332,166 barrels were shipped compared with 5,981,505 barrels a year ago and 4,376,425 barrels in the corresponding period of 1936.

Canada exported 12,875 barrels of Portland cement in November; during October, 10,286 barrels were exported. Trinidad received 58.3 per cent of the November exports.

Receipts of cement during November declined to 3,909 barrels appraised at \$14,484 from the October total of 5,561 barrels at \$9,657. The November imports were made up of 1,796 barrels worth \$10,049 from Great Britain, 1,617 barrels at \$1,852 from Belgium, and 496 barrels at \$2,583 from the United States.

PRODUCTION(a) OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1938(b)	1937	1936
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January	132,263	97,737	97,698
February	143,446	101,651	95,765
March	233,299	210,738	169,184
April	364,096	373,603	297,146
May	545,310	559,937	423,988
June	749,047	756,253	566,197
July	644,424	836,669	545,773
August	711,753	913,533	608,780
September	701,327	942,196	710,390
October	710,135	774,385	573,909
November	397,066	414,803	287,595
December		187,466	132,293
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		6,168,971	4,508,718
TOTAL - ELEVEN MONTHS ending NOVEMBER	5,332,166	5,981,505	4,376,425

(a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer and includes only Portland cement made from Canadian raw materials.

(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Canadian producers reported sales of clay and clay products (produced from domestic clays) valued at \$402,885 in November compared with \$491,787 in the preceding month and \$470,211 in November, 1937. Sales of these commodities during the eleven months ending November declined 8.1 per cent in value to \$3,918,063 from the total for the corresponding period of 1937.

An increase of 94 per cent was recorded in the exports of clay and its products from Canada in November when the value reached a total of \$65,276 as against the preceding month's export valuation of \$33,644. Exports during the calendar year to date were valued at \$437,745.

of these commodities in 1938 totalled \$7,660,003, of which Great Britain supplied 52.9 per cent; the United States, 40.0 per cent; Japan, 3.5 per cent; Germany, 1.6 per cent, and other countries, 2.0 per cent.

PRODUCTION(a) OF CLAY PRODUCTS FROM DOMESTIC CLAYS IN CANADA

Month	1938(b)	1937	1936
	\$	\$	\$
January	145,451	145,002	127,339
February	147,515	136,463	111,216
March	198,082	191,150	178,277
April	264,689	309,848	246,651
May	379,824	405,229	333,795
June	428,527	517,141	373,793
July	468,608	542,545	406,304
August	504,871	517,652	410,243
September	485,824	528,676	401,056
October	491,787	498,759	371,131
November	402,885	470,211	292,802
December	223,242	254,183	218,420
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	4,141,305	4,516,859	3,471,027

(a) Value of sales plus the value of any clay products used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - Canadian producers reported shipments of lime amounting to 37,042 tons in December; during November these producers shipped 44,427 tons while in December, a year ago, 37,143 tons were shipped. During the calendar year shipments of lime totalled 473,631 tons or 13.8 per cent below the 1937 total but 1.1 per cent above the 1936 total.

A 14.6 per cent increase was recorded in the exports of lime from Canada in December compared with November; the totals were 683 tons and 596 tons, respectively. Exports during the twelve months totalled 6,381 tons; this represented a 38.5 per cent decline from the tonnage exported a year ago.

The imports of lime into Canada in December rose to 394 tons worth \$1,394 from the November total of 372 tons at \$2,684. During 1938 Canada imported 6,653 tons of lime appraised at \$36,248 compared with 5,017 tons at \$32,379 imported in the preceding year.

PRODUCTION(a) OF LIME IN CANADA

Month	1938(b)	1937	1936
	Tons	Tons	Tons
January	32,633	40,439	31,771
February	32,424	42,082	29,558
March	38,755	48,027	34,888
April	39,174	49,259	38,407
May	41,756	51,162	41,182
June	40,021	48,680	39,189
July	39,122	47,317	38,968
August	41,208	45,589	38,091
September	40,474	43,537	42,011
October	46,595	48,586	46,132
November	44,427	47,532	45,247
December	37,042	37,143	42,957
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	473,631	549,353	468,401

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.



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