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MONTHLY REPORT

CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS AND LIME - APRIL,

CEMENT - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the shipments of Portland cement from Canadian plants amounted to 364,096 barrels in April compared with 233,299 barrels in the preceding month and 371,839 barrels in April, 1937. During the first four months of the current year, 873,104 barrels were shipped or 11.9 per cent above the total for the corresponding period of 1937.

Exports of Portland cement from Canada in April were recorded at 182 barrels; in March, 7,247 barrels were exported.

Canada imported 3,035 barrels of cement worth \$10,463 in April, made up of 1,297 barrels at (1,878 from Belgium, 951 barrels at (4,218 from the United States and 787 barrels at (4,367 from Great Britain. In March, 995 barrels appraised at \$3,501 were imported.

PRODUCTION(a) OF CEMENT IN CANADA 1937(b) 1936 1938(b) Months Barrels Barrels Barrels 132,263 97,276 97,698 January 101,171 95,765 143,446 February 209,743 169,184 233,299 March 297,146 364,096 371,839 April 557,294 423,988 May 752,683 566,197 June 545,773 832,720 July 909,220 937,749 770,730 608,780 August 710,390 573,909 September October 287,595 412,845 November 186,581 132,293 December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR 6,139,851 4,508,718

(a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer.

TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL

(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Clay and clay products (produced from domestic clays) sold in April were valued at \$254,689; in March, the sales were worth \$198,082 while the April, 1937, sales value was 289,272. During the first four months of 1938 Canadian producers sold clay products to a value of \$755,737; a year ago, the sales were valued at \$730,664.

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Exports of clay and its products from Canada in April were worth *88,980 as against the March valuation of 48,743.

The Canadian imports of these commodities in April were valued at \$621,905; the March imports were appraised at \$817,977. The following countries were the sources of the April importations - Great Britain, 59.6 per cent; the United States, 33.2 per cent; Japan, 4.1 per cent; Germany, 1.7 per cent; and Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, Palestine, Denmark, Hong Kong, Italy, Bermuda, Poland, India and China, the remainder.

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Month	1938(ъ)	1937(b)	1936
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January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	145,451 147,515 198,082 264,689 379,824	135,648 127,313 178,431 289,272 379,967 485,917 511,950 485,653 496,091 469,080 442,238 238,997	127,339 111,216 178,277 246,651 333,795 373,793 406,304 410,243 401,056 371,131 292,802 218,420 3,471,027
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS ending MAY	1,135,561	1,110,631	997,278

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

LIME - Canadian producers sold or used 41,756 tons of lime in May compared with 39,174 tons in April and 49,511 tons in May, 1937. During the five months ending May, 184,742 tons were sold or used; a year ago the total was 222,200 tons.

Exports of lime rose to 686 tons in May from the previous month's total of 340 tons.

Lime importations in May were recorded at 583 tons worth \$2,733 against 589 tons at \$2,980 in April.

PRODUCTION(a) OF LIME IN CANADA

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	Tons	Tons	Tons
anuary	32,633	38,377	31,771
ebruary	32,424	39,979	29,558
larch	38,755	46,583	34,888
pril	39,174	47,750	38,407
lay	41,756	49,511	41,182
une		47,114	39,189
uly		45,804	38,968
ugust		44,178	38,091
September		42,125	42,011
ctober		47,301	46,132
ovember		46,575	45,247
December		36,183	42,957
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		531,480	468,401
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS ending MAY	184,742	222,200	175,806

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.(b) Subject to revision.

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