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CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS AND LIME - MAY, 1938

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CEMENT - Shipments of Portland cement from Canadian plants in May rose to 545,310 barrels from the preceding month's total of 364,096 barrels and the May, 1937, shipments of 557,294 barrels, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the five months ending May, 1,418,414 barrels were shipped compared with 1,337,323 barrels in the corresponding period of 1937.

Exports of Portland cement from Canada in May were recorded at 6,032 barrels; in April, 182 barrels were exported.

Imports of cement into Canada in May totalled 5,901 barrels with a valuation of \$11,546 and consisted of 4,341 barrels at \$4,858 from Belgium, 1,122 barrels at \$4,510 from the United States and 438 barrels at \$2,178 from Great Britain.

PRODUCTION (a) OF CEMERIT IN CANADA

Month	1938(ъ)	1937(b)	1936
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	132,263 143,446 233,299 364,096 545,310	97,276 101,171 209,743 371,839 557,294 752,683 832,720 909,220 937,749 770,730 412,845 186,581 6,139,851	97,698 95,765 169,184 297,146 423,988 566,197 545,773 608,780 710,390 573,909 287,595 132,293 4,508,718
TOTAL - FIVE MONTHS ending MAY	1,418,414	1,337,323	1,083,781

⁽a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Sales of clay products (produced from domestic clays) were valued at \$379,824 in May compared with \$264,689 in the preceding month and \$379,967 in May, 1937. During the first five months of the current year Canadian producers sold clay products to a value of \$1,135,561; in the corresponding period of 1937 the value of sales was \$1,110,631.

Exports of clay and its products from Canada in May were worth \$39,767; the April exports were valued at \$88,980.

Imports of these commodities into Canada in May were appraised at \$772,554 or 24.2 per cent above the April total. The May receipts were obtained from the following sources: Great Britain, 65.6 per cent; the United States, 27.5 per cent; Japan, 3.0 per cent; Germany, 1.9 per cent, and Czechoslovakia, France, Belgium, Palestine, Italy, Hong Kong, Hungary, Netherlands, Denmark, China and Bermuda, the remainder.

⁽b) Subject to revision.

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PRODUCTION (a) OF CLAY	PRODUCTS	FROL	DOMESTIC	CLAYS I	N CANADA
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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	145,451 147,515 198,082 264,689 379,824 428,527	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
TOTALSIX MONTHS ending JUNE	1,564,088	1,596,548	1,371,071

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

LIME - Shipments of lime from Canadian kilns declined to 40,021 tons in June from the May total of 41,756 tons and the June, 1937, shipments of 47,114 tons. During the first six months of the current year, 224,763 tons were shipped compared with 269,314 tons a year ago.

Three hundred and ninety-seven tons of lime were exported from Canada in June; during the preceding month 686 tons were exported.

Canada imported 539 tons of lime worth \$2,979 in June compared with 583 tons at \$2,733 imported in May.

PRODUCTION(a) OF LINE IN CANADA					
Month	1938(ъ)	1937(ъ)	1936		
	Tons	Tons	Tons		
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	32,633 32,424 38,755 39,174 41,756 40,021	38,377 39,979 46,583 47,750 49,511 47,114 45,804 44,178 42,125 47,301 46,575 36,183 531,480	31,771 29,558 34,888 38,407 41,182 39,189 38,968 38,091 42,011 46,132 45,247 42,957		
TOTAL - SIX MONTHS ending JUNE	224,763	269,314	214,995		

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

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