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MONTHLY REPORT

CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME - JUNE, \$938.

CEMENT - Canadian producers reported shipments of Portland cement amounting to 749,047 barrels in June compared with 545,310 barrels in the preceding month and 752,633 barrels in July, 1937, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Shipments during the six months ending June totalled 2,167,461 barrels or 3.7 per cent above the quantity shipped a year ago.

Portland cement exports rose to 7,635 barrels worth \$8,966; in May, 6,032 barrels at \$6,894 were exported.

Imports of cement into Canada in June were higher at 7,758 barrels appraised at \$12,381; in May, 5,901 barrels worth \$11,546 were imported. The June importations included 6,887 barrels at \$7,612 from Belgium, 512 barrels at \$2,768 from Great Britain, 332 barrels at \$1,943 from the United States, and 27 barrels at \$58 from Italy.

(a) PRODUCTION OF CEMENT IN CANADA Month 1938(b) 1937(b) 1936 Barrels Barrels Barrels January 132,263 97,276 97,698 143,446 101,171 95,765 February Marchl..... 233,299 209,743 169,184 297,146 April 371,839 364,096 545,310 557,294 423,988 May 566,197 749,047 752,683 June 832,720 545,773 July 909,220 608,780 August 937,749 710,390 September 573,909 October November 412,845 287,595 December 186,581 132,293 4,508,718 TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR 6,139,851

TOTAL - SIX MONTHS ending JUNE

(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - Sales of clay products (produced from Canadian clays) were valued at \$\frac{428,527}{428,527}\$ in June; in the preceding month the value of sales was \$379,824 while the June, 1937, sales valuation was \$485,917. During the first six months of 1938 sales of these commodities by Canadian producers were valued at \$1,564,088 compared with \$1,596,548 in the corresponding period of 1937.

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The value of clay and its products exported from Canada in June rose to \$56,523 from the preceding month's total of \$30,767.

Customs' records show that the value of imports of these commodities in June was \$\\$650,843;\$ this represented a decrease of 15.8 per cent from the total for the previous month. The June importations were obtained from the following countries: Great Britain, 56.6 per cent; the United States, 35.8 per cent; Japan, 4.0 per cent; Germany, 1.9 per cent, and other countries, 1.7 per cent.

⁽a) Quantity shipped plus cement used by producer.

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

• Month	1938(b)	1937	1936	
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January February March April May June July August September October November December	145,451 147,515 198,082 264,689 379,824 428,527 468,608	145,002 136,463 191,150 309,848 405,229 517,141 542,545 517,652 528,676 498,759 470,211 254,183	127,339 111,216 178,277 246,651 333,795 373,793 406,304 410,243 401,056 371,131 292,802 218,420	
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,516,359	3,471,027	
TOTAL - SEVEN MONTHS ending JULY	2,032,696	2,247,378	1,777,375	

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

LIME - Lime shipments during July declined to 39,122 tons from the June total of 40,021 tons and the July, 1937, total of 47,317 tons. During the seven months ending July, 263,885 tons were shipped; this represented a decline of 19.3 per cent from the tonnage shipped a year ago but an increase of 3.9 per cent over the quantity shipped in the corresponding period of 1936.

Exports of lime from Canada amounted to 141 tons compared with 397 tons exported in the preceding month.

Imports of lime rose 8.3 per cent in July to 584 tons worth \$3,842 from the June total of 539 tons at \$2,979. These tonnages were received from the United States.

PRODUCTION(a)	OF LIME IN CA	NADA		
Month	1938(ъ)	1937	1936	
	Tons	Tons	Tons	
January February March April May June July August September October November December	32,633 32,424 38,755 39,174 41,753 40,021 39,122	40,439 42,082 48,027 49,259 51,162 48,680 47,317 45,589 43,537 48,586 47,532 37,143	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 - CALENDAR YEAR		549,353	468,401	
TOTAL - SEVEN MONTHS ending JULY	263,885	326,966	253,963	

⁽a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.

⁽b) Subject to revision.

