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MONTHLY REPORTCEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME - JULY, 1939.

CEMENT - Shipments of Portland cement from Canadian plants in July amounted to 735,984 barrels compared with 727,842 barrels in the preceding month and 645,839 barrels in July, 1938, according to a report just issued by the D. B. S. at Ottawa. During the seven months ending July 2,731,602 barrels of cement were shipped; this represented a 3.1 per cent decline from the tonnage shipped a year ago.

Exports of Portland cement in July totalled 6,978 barrels; in June 7,505 barrels were exported while exports during the first seven months of the current year aggregated 29,943 barrels.

Canada imported 1,997 barrels of cement worth \$5,299 in July as against 2,352 barrels at \$9,149 in June. The July receipts were obtained from the following countries: Belgium, 1,072 barrels valued at \$1,213: the United States, 531 barrels at \$2,095: Great Britain, 343 barrels at \$1,780 and Germany, 51 barrels at \$211.

PRODUCTION(a) OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1939(b)	1938	1937
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January.....	115,533	132,553	97,737
February.....	118,605	143,761	101,651
March.....	208,779	233,811	210,738
April.....	273,969	364,895	373,603
May.....	550,890	546,507	559,937
June.....	727,842	750,691	756,253
July.....	735,984	645,839	836,669
August.....		713,315	913,533
September.....		702,866	942,196
October.....		711,694	774,385
November.....		397,938	414,803
December.....		175,232	187,466
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR.....		5,519,102	6,168,971
TOTAL - SEVEN MONTHS ending JULY.....	2,731,602	2,818,057	2,936,588

(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 the sales of clay products (produced from domestic slays) valued at \$469,817 in July compared with the June total of \$483,535 and the July, 1938 total of \$516,720. Sales during the period January to July were valued at \$2,069,242 or 7.1 per cent below the value of sales, a year ago.

An increase of 67.1 per cent was recorded in the value of the Canadian exports of clay and its products in July compared with the June valuation; the totals were \$43,502 and \$26,041, respectively,

Clay and its products imported into Canada in July were appraised at \$656,786 in June, the value of the importations of these commodities was \$655,528. Receipts during the seven months ending July were valued at \$4,208,164.

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

Month	1939(b)	1938	1937
	\$	\$	\$
January	158,028	156,674	145,002
February	125,624	159,678	136,463
March	190,296	216,803	191,150
April	235,520	291,640	309,848
May	396,422	414,853	405,229
June	483,535	471,313	517,141
July	479,817	516,720	542,545
August	521,341	558,374	517,652
September		535,822	528,676
October		537,247	498,759
November		437,059	470,211
December		239,901	254,183
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,536,084	4,516,859
TOTAL - EIGHT MONTHS ending AUGUST	2,590,583	2,786,055	2,765,030

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

(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - The tonnage of lime sold or used by Canadian producers amounted to 45,894 tons in August or 8.6 per cent above the total for the preceding month. During the period January to August, the quantity sold or used rose to 321,146 tons compared with 313,962 tons a year ago.

To increase the value of the information published regarding lime production in Canada a further refinement has been made in the data contained in the monthly reports. Starting with this issue the lime production figures have been divided into four parts, namely;

(a) Quicklime (1) Sold.

(2) Used by the producer.

(b) Hydrated lime (1) Sold.

(2) Used by the producer.

This division of the monthly data will enable producers to differentiate between the tonnages of lime entering directly into commerce and the quantity used by the producer as a manufacturing material.

The exports of building lime from Canada in August were recorded at 348 tons as against 517 tons in July. Other lime exports advanced to 706 tons from the preceding month's total of 289 tons.

The Canadian imports of lime amounted to 603 tons worth \$3,519; in July, 463 tons at \$2,396 were imported.

PRODUCTION (a) OF LIME IN CANADA (Short tons)

Month	1939(b)				1938	1937
	Quicklime		Hydrated Lime		Total	
	Sold	Used	Sold	Used	Lime	
January	14,109	17,813	4,276	44	36,242	33,617
February	12,221	16,601	4,028	42	32,892	33,390
March	14,571	17,360	5,292	59	37,282	39,915
April	14,407	17,232	6,924	34	38,597	40,294
May	17,333	19,274	6,881	61	43,549	42,943
June	18,587	18,610	7,177	67	44,441	41,184
July	17,393	18,706	6,119	31	42,249	40,247
August	18,825	20,491	6,494	84	45,894	42,372
September					41,563	43,537
October					47,792	48,586
November					45,561	47,532
December					38,044	37,143
TOTAL					486,922	549,353
TOTAL EIGHT MONTHS	127,446	146,087	47,191	422	321,146	313,962

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer.

(b) Subject to revision.



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