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MONTHLY REPORT

MARCH. CEMENT, CLAY PRODUCTS and LIME -

CEMENT - Portland cement shipments from Canadian plants advanced to 252,483 barrels from the preceding month's total of 204,287 barrels and the March/total of 208,779 barrels, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Shipments during the first quarter of 1940 aggregated 647,345 barrels compared with 442,917 barrels a year ago.

Exports of cement from Canada in March amounted to 1,928 barrels; during the previous month, 5,951 barrels were exported. Exportations during the first three months totalled 7,957 barrels as against 3,190 barrels in the corresponding period of 1939.

Canada imported 578 barrels of cement worth \$3,678 from the United States during March. Receipts during the first quarter amounted to 1,750 barrels appraised at \$9,851.

PRODUCTION (a) OF CEMENT IN CANADA

Month	1940(b)	1939(ъ)	1938
	Barrels	Barrels	Barrels
January	190,575	115,533	132,553
ebruary	204,287	118,605	143,761
arch	252,483	208,779	233,811
pril		273,969	364,895
ay		550,890	546,507
une		727,842	750,691
uly		735,984	645,839
ugust		841,736	713,315
entember		852,197	702,866
ctober		681,218	711,694
ovember		421,569	397,938
ecember		205,603	175,232
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		5,733,925	5,519,102
TOTAL - THREE MONTHS ending MARCH	647,345	442,917	510,125

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

(b) Subject to revision.

CLAY PRODUCTS - The value of the sales of clay and clay products (produced from domestic clay) during March was recorded at \$199,208 compared with \$204,238 in February and \$190,296 in March, 1939. Sales during the first three months of 1940 were valued at \$618,240 or 30.4 per cent above the total for the corresponding quarter of 1939.

The Canadian exports of clay and clay products in March were appraised at \$22,549; this represented a 71.4 per cent advance over the February exportations.

An increase of 18 per cent was recorded in the imports of clay and its products during March; the month's receipts were worth \$831,615 compared with \$704,860 in the preceding month.

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

Month	1940(ъ)	1939(b)	1938
	S.	Ģ	\$
January	214,744	158,028	156,674
February	204,288	125,624	159,678
March	199,208	190,296	216,803
April	330,784	235,520	291,640
May		396,422	414,853
June		483,535	471,313
July		479,817	516,720
August		521,341	558,374
September		533,956	535,822
October		529,843	537,247
November		468,040	437,059
December		307,206	239,901
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,429,628	4,536,084
TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ending APRIL	949,024	709,468	824,795

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

(b) Subject to revision.

LIME - The total quantity of lime sold or used by Canadian producers in April amounted to 56,994 tons; the preceding month's total was 54,040 tons while the April, 1939 total was 39,308 tons. During the four months ending April, shipments from the kilns were recorded at 210,369 tons or 42.2 per cent above the tonnage shipped a year ago.

Exports of building lime from Canada in April declined to 345 tons from the March exportations of 731 tons. Other lime exports rose to 2,085 tons; in the preceding month, 616 tons were exported.

Sixty-three tons of lime appraised at \$519 were imported into Canada in April as against 314 tons worth \$1,666 in the previous month. Receipts during the period Jenuary to April totalled 1,292 tons at \$6,996.

PRODUCTION(a) OF LIME IN CANADA (Short tons) Q U IME HYDRATED LIME TOTAL LIME Month Used 1939 1940 1940 1940 940 939 1939 1959 1938 1939 January ... 18,057 18,182 51,863 37,175 14,611 27,437 6,356 4,338 13 44 33,617 February .. 16,346 6,047 12,573 25,055 16,860 4,062 42 47,472 33,537 33,390 24 6,895 5,336 March 19,554 15,034 27,567 17,492 59 54,040 37,921 39,915 14,895 26,962 17,362 8,159 39,308 40,294 7,017 April 21,815 34 56,994 44,359 17,999 6,923 42,945 May 19,376 61 June 19,374 18,955 7,287 67 45,683 41,194 40,247 17,796 19,566 7,527 43,501 47,112 July 18,147 31 7,323 19,639 84 August 1.8,994 22,147 7,536 73 48,750 September .. 41,563 7,216 19,176 47,792 October ... 31,223 39 57,654 60,904 20,975 33,082 November .. 6,806 41 45,561 4,966 December .. 19,552 31,743 56,305 38,044 TOTAL -263,784 552,209 486,922 210,969 CALENDAR YEAR 76,837 619 TOTAL - FOUR MONTHS ENDING APRIL 75,772 57,113 107,021 69,896 27,457 20,753 119 179 210,369 147,941 147,216

(a) Quantity shipped plus lime used by producer. The 1940 data are subject to revision.

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