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LASTS, TREES & SHOE FINDINGS
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LASTS, TREES AND SHOE FINDINGS

Ottawa, September, 1929:- A preliminary report has recently been issued by the Forest Products Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, covering the production of lasts, trees, pegs, shanks, heels and other wooden shoe findings for the years 1927 and 1928.

There were 15 firms specializing in the production of these commodities in 1928 of which 10 were located in Quebec where the industry is most highly developed, 3 in Nova Scotia and 2 in Ontario. There are also a number of wood-working establishments engaged primarily in the manufacture of other products which make lasts and trees, etc., as side lines.

There was \$1,340,889 invested in the industry in 1928 as compared to \$1,216,907 in 1927. Of the 567 employees 470 were wage-earners and 97 were paid on a salary basis. The total distribution of wages and salaries in 1928 was \$513,273 as compared to \$442,494 in 1927. The fuel purchased was valued at \$10,304 and 882 H.P. was employed in the industry. The raw materials cost \$294,875, the gross value of production was \$1,266,330 and the net value of production or value added by manufacture was \$971,455.

Hardwood was the principal raw material used. Of this 2,929,000 ft. board measure at \$208,897 was purchased in the form of sawn lumber and 2,416 cords at \$23,801 was purchased in the form of bolts. Softwood lumber, veneer and plywood were also used, making the total of \$294,375.

The products of the industry were lasts, trees, shanks, heels and pegs valued at \$1,204,648. The industry also reported the production of certain side lines including hat blocks, patterns and models valued at \$13,927, ten pins, five pins and duck pins valued at \$15,130, golf stick heads valued at \$4,472 and marine and fishermen's supplies at \$949, and all other products, including, - sporting goods, wood pulleys, wooden candy spoons, candy sticks, fibre, etc. \$26,972. Most of these side lines are also produced in greater quantities in other industrial groups. The total value of the products in 1928 was \$1,266,330.

The following tables include, first, a comparative summary of the principal statistics of the industry for 1927 and 1928, followed by detailed tables covering the distribution of establishments, materials used, products manufactured, employment, fuel used and power employed. A list of the firms reporting in 1928 is appended.

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Statistics - Lasts, Trees and Shoefindings, 1927 - 1928

Table 1. - Principal Statistics, 1927-1928

Items		1927	1928
Establishments	No.	15	15
Capital Invested	\$	1,216,907	1,340,889
Employees on Salaries	No.	66	97
Salaries paid	\$	115,672	112,776
Employees on wages	No.	482	470
Wages paid	\$	326,822	400,497
Fuel Used	\$	11,559	10,304
Power Employed	H.P.	1,641	882
Cost of Materials	\$	253,873	294,875
Value of Products	\$	1,368,013	1,266,330

Table 2.- Distribution of Establishments by Provinces, 1927-1928

Provinces	1927	1928
	No.	No.
CANADA	15	15
Nova Scotia	3	3
Quebec	10	10
Ontario	2	2

Table 3. - Materials Used, 1927-1928.

		Quantity		Value	
		1927	1928	1927	1928
				\$	\$
TOTAL		-	-	253,873	294,875
Lumber or logs, softwood	m.ft.b.m.	112	31	2,843	633
Lumber or logs, hardwood	" "	3,083	2,929	159,499	206,897
Bolts, etc., hardwood	cords	4,330	2,416	49,291	23,801
Veneer and plywood	m.surf.ft.	3	4	450	560
All other materials	value	-	-	41,790	60,984

Statistics - Lasts, Trees and Shoefindings, 1927-1928 (Cont'd.)

TABLE 4. - Products Manufactured, 1927-1928

Products		No.	No.	Value of Products and work done during the year	
		1927	1928	1927	1928
				\$	\$
TOTAL		-	-	1,368,013	1,266,330
Lasts, trees and shoefindings	Value	-	-	1,267,347	1,204,648
Hat blocks, patterns & models	"	-	-	12,635	13,927
Ten pins		3,520	4,914	3,921	5,008
Five pins		6,988	6,127	8,627	7,609
Duck pins		3,574	2,954	3,103	2,513
Golf stick heads		24,174	16,281	6,705	4,472
Marine and fishermen's supplies	"	-	-	1,567	949
All other woodturning		-	-	1,509	232
All other wooden products		-	-	61,793	26,972
Repairs		-	-	806	-

Table 5a. - Employment, 1927.

Classes of Employees	Total No. of Employees	Males	Females	Total Salaries and Wages
				\$
TOTAL	548	419	129	442,494
Salaried employees	66	53	13	115,672
Employees on wages	482	366	116	326,822

Table 5b. - Employment, 1928.

Classes of Employees	Total No. of Employees	Males	Females	Total Salaries and Wages
				\$
TOTAL	567	429	138	513,273
Salaried employees	97	82	15	112,776
Employees on wages	470	347	123	400,497

Statistics - Lasts, Trees and Shoe findings, 1927-1928 (Cont'd.)

Table 6. - Capital Invested, 1927-1928

	1927	1928
	\$	\$
TOTAL	1,216,907	1,340,389
Land, buildings, fixtures and machinery	718,576	755,813
Materials, stocks, etc., on hand	278,506	344,929
Cash, trading and operating accounts	219,725	230,147

Table 7. - Fuel Used, 1927-1928

Kind of fuel		Quantity		Value	
		1927	1928	1927	1928
				\$	\$
TOTAL		-	-	11,559	10,304
Bituminous coal	tons	1,318	1,159	9,336	7,860
Anthracite coal	"	13	59	204	429
Lignite	"	-	-	-	-
Coke	"	-	-	-	-
Gasoline	gals.	20	10	6	3
Oil Fuel	"	35	-	5	-
Wood	cords	180	182	2,008	2,012

Table 8. - Power Employed, 1927-1928

Power Units	No. of Units		Total H.P.	
	1927	1928	1927	1928
TOTAL POWER USED	77	90	1,641	852
Stationary Engines				
Steam	5	4	1,075	270
Oil, gas and gasoline	-	-	-	-
Hydraulic Turbines	-	-	-	-
Electric Motors:-				
Purchased power	72	86	566	612
Generated power	1	2	125	160
Boilers Installed	9	8	800	635



Manufacturers of Lasts, Trees and Shoefindings, 1928

Lasts, trees and shoefindings were the principal products of the following firms in 1928.

NOVA SCOTIA

Frizzell, Alex	Halifax
Lewis, John	Ship Harbor
Lewis & Son, John	Stewiacke

QUEBEC

Boston Last Co. Ltd.	Richmond
Cote, Prosper	St. Hyacinthe
Dominion Rubber Co. Ltd.	420 LaGauchitiere St. W., Montreal.
Dominion Wood Heel Corp Ltd.	4520 De La Roche Street, Montreal.
Maple Wood Heels, Ltd.	751 Larin Ave., Montreal.
Montreal Last Co. Ltd.	2126 De La Salle Ave., Montreal
National Wood Heel of Can. Ltd.	2100 Moreau St., Montreal.
Robin Freres	715 rue Gilford, Montreal.
St. Laurence Last Works	231 Ste. Helene St., Quebec, Que.
United Last Co. Ltd.	4500 Hochelaga St., Montreal.

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Canada Last Co. Ltd.	343 Montrose St., Preston.
Cuning Co. Ltd., M.A.	28 Mercer St., Toronto.



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