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MANUFACTURE OF WOODENWARE

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## WOODENWARE, 1931 and 1932.

Ottawa, November, 1933. - A preliminary report on the manufacture of woodenware in Canada during 1931 and 1932 has recently been issued by the Forestry Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The report gives the production of firms specializing in woodenware and covers the greater part of its production in Canada. There are, however, a number of other firms classified in other industrial groups which make woodenware as a side line or by-product. The firms dealt with in the present report also manufacture commodities other than woodenware as secondary products.

There were twenty woodenware factories in operation in Canada in 1932 of which seven were in Ontario, four in Quebec, three each in Nova Scotia and British Columbia, one in New Brunswick and two in Manitoba. The capital invested in the industry decreased from \$1,604,580 in 1931 to \$1,238,310 in 1932, the total number of employees decreased from 705 to 638 and the distribution of wages and salaries decreased from \$496,224 to \$413,361. The raw materials used decreased in total cost from \$557,456 to \$304,079, the gross value of production decreased from \$1,308,275 in 1931 to \$924,074 in 1932.

Logs and sawn lumber to the amount of 8,232 M ft. b.m. valued at \$171,347 and 3,120 cords of bolts valued at \$24,200 were the principal raw materials of the industry.

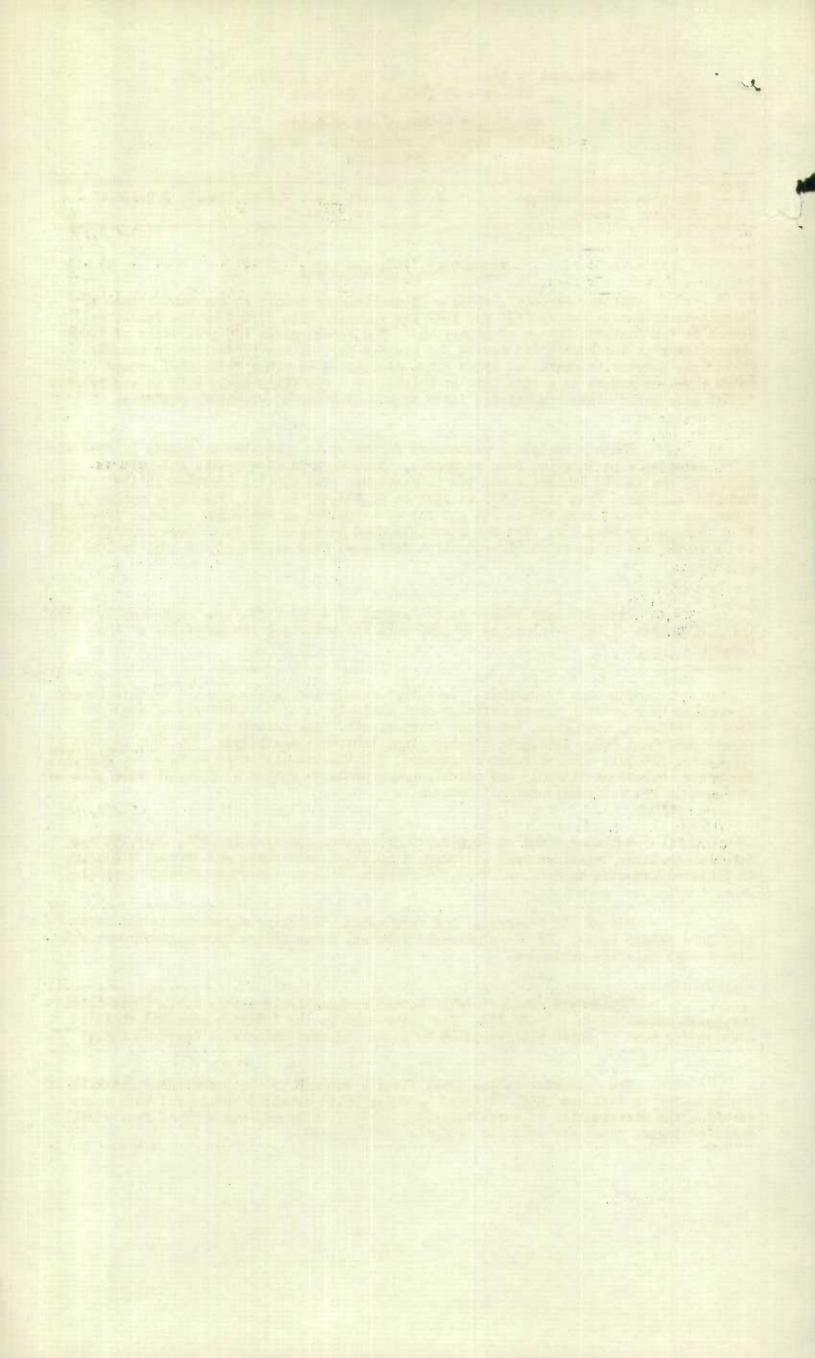
The term "woodenware" is rather indefinite in its use and in this report it applies in a general way to articles made entirely or almost entirely of wood and used in kitchens, laundries, bakeries, dairies, etc. The principal products in 1932 were: pails and tubs, \$172,564; clothes pins, \$107,882; washboards, \$71,149; ladders of all kinds. \$62,901; other kitchen woodenware, \$32,596 and all other woodenware, \$125,113. Containers valued at \$159,913 and miscellaneous products valued at \$191,956 were also produced in the woodenware establishments.

Out of a total of \$1,238,310 of capital employed in 1932, \$637,190 was invested in land, buildings and fixtures, \$160,143 in materials and stocks, \$171,212 in finished products on hand and \$269,765 in cash accounts and other working capital.

Out of 638 employees, 552 were males, 502 being wage-earners and fifty paid on a salary basis. Of the eighty-six females, seventy-five were wage-earners and eleven were salaried employees.

Woodenware manufacturers bought comparatively little fuel, their total purchases amounting to only \$2,135. The power used in the industry amounted to 1,619 horse-power most of which was generated by steam engines using wood waste as fuel.

The following tables give, first a summary of the principal statistics of the industry in 1931 and 1932, followed by comparative detailed tables for both years covering the distribution of establishments, capital invested, employment, fuel used, power employed, materials used and products manufactured.



# WOODENWARE, 1931 and 1932.

Table 1. - Principal Statistics, 1931 and 1932.

Items	Unit	1931	1932
Establishments Capital invested Employees on salaries Salaries paid Employees on Wages Wages paid Fuel used Electricity purchased Cost of electricity purchased Cost of materials used Value of products	No. \$ No. \$ K.W.H. \$	18 1,604,580 65 135,729 640 360,495 2,892 593,382 13,862 557,456 1,308,275	20 1,238,310 61 97,419 638 315,942 2,135 654,688 10,397 304,079 924,074

Table 2. - Distribution of Establishments by Provinces, 1931 and 1932.

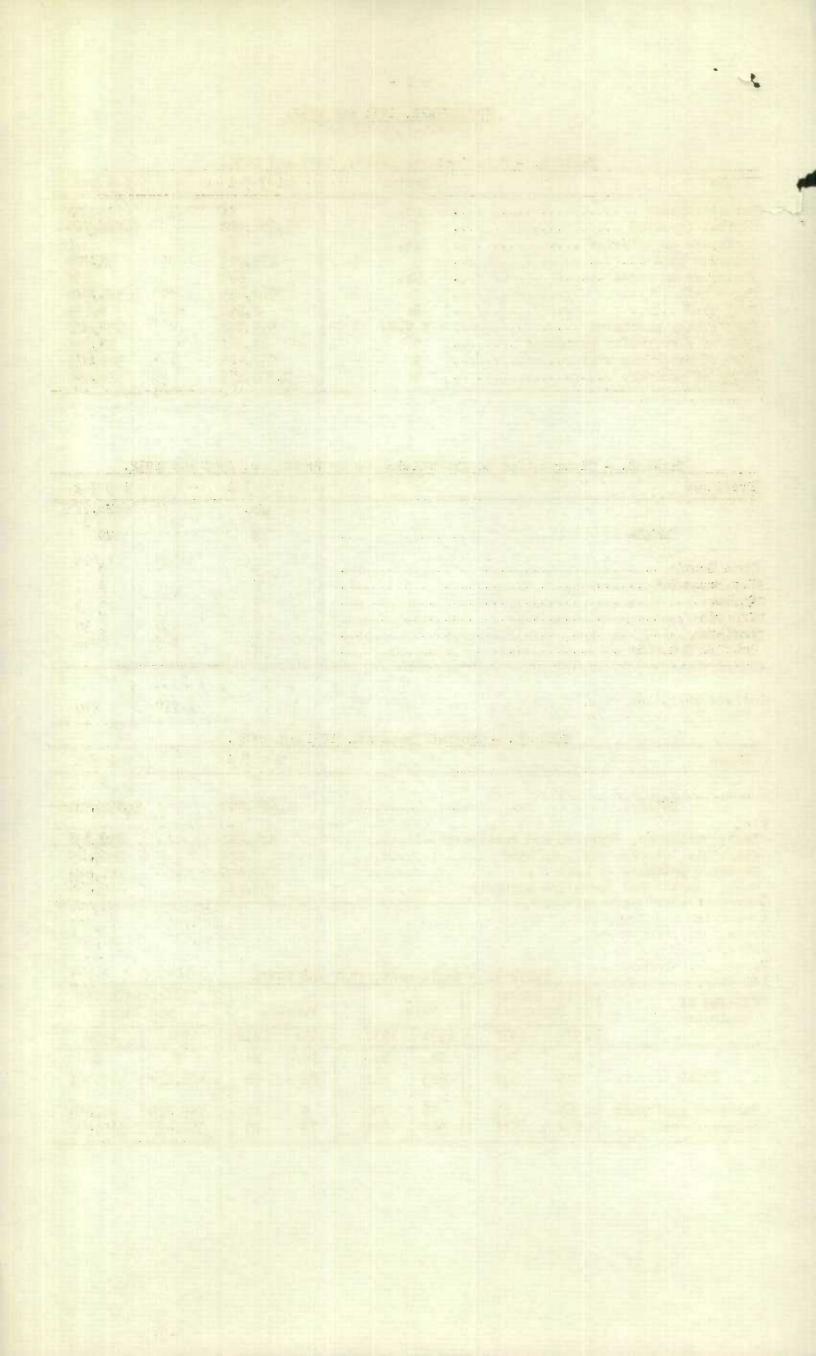
Provinces	1931	1932
	No.	No.
CANADA	18	20
Nova Scotia	3	3
New Brunswick	1	1
Quebec	Ħ	4
Ontario	6	7
Manitoba	1	2
British Columbia	3	3

Table 3. - Capital Invested, 1931 and 1932.

Items	1931	1932
	\$	\$
TOTAL	1,604,580	1,238,310
Land, buildings, fixtures and machinery Materials, stocks, etc., on hand Finished products on hand Cash, trading and operating accounts	874,481 177,224 193,845 359,030	637,190 160,143 171,212 269,765

Table 4. - Employment, 1931 and 1932.

Classes of Employees	Total Number of Employees		Males Males		usedo de	Females		Total Salaries and Wages	
	1931	1932	1931	1932		1931	1932	1931	1932
	No.	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	\$	\$
TOTAL	705	638	623	552		82	86	496,224	413,361
Salaried employees Wage-earners	65 640	61 577	56 567	50 502	Ħ	9 73	11 75	135,729 360,495	97,419 315,942



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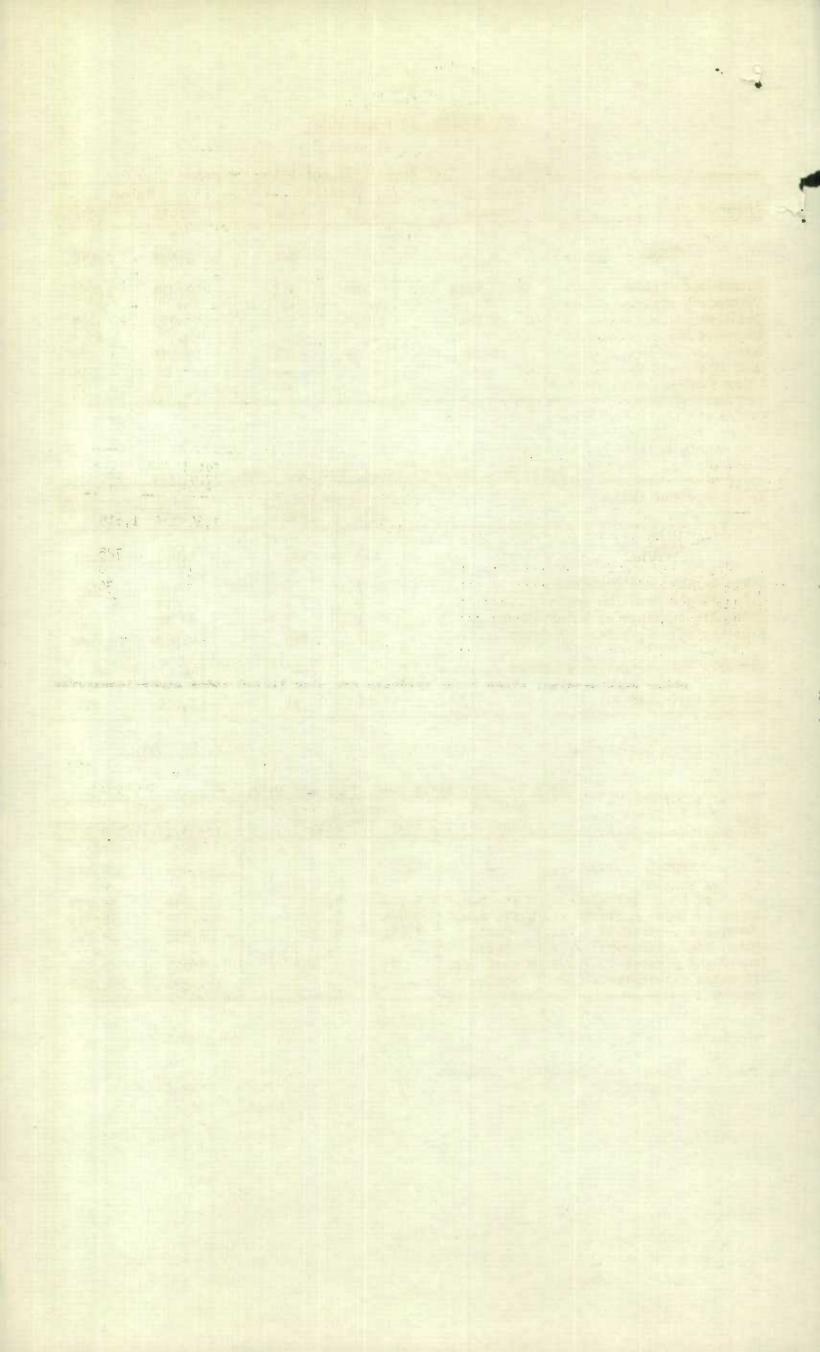
Table 5. - Fuel Used, 1931 and 1932.

	Unit of	Quant	tity	Value		
Kinds of Fuel	Measure	1931	1932	1931	1932	
				\$	\$	
TOTAL	-	1,637	441	2,892	2,135	
Bituminous coal Anthracite coal	short tons	516	352	2,400	1,850	
Gasoline	gallon	1,099	55	277	15	
Wood	Cord	- 22	34	127	179	
Mill waste Other fuel	-	_		25 63	38 53	

Table 6. - Power Employed, 1931 and 1932.

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Kinds of Power Units	Number of Units			Total Horse-power		
	1931	1932		1931	1932	
TOTAL	117	116		1,663	1,619	
Steam engines and turbines Oil, gas and gasoline engines  Hydraulic turbines or water wheels  Electric motors, purchased power	7 2 1 107	6 1 1 108		775 13 30 845	725 8 30 856	
Electric motors, generated power	-	-		-	-	
Boilers installed	11	11		1,010	810	

Table 7. - Materials Used, 1931 and 1932. Value Unit of Quantity Measure Kind 931 932 1931 1932 304,079 557,456 TOTAL ..... 132,242 222,759 32,433 95,034 76,313 24,200 Lumber or logs softwood ... M ft. b.m.
Lumber or logs hardwood ... M ft. b.m. 5,709 4,420 3,812 Bolts, etc., softwood ......
Bolts, etc., hardwood ..... 3,691 3,120 Cords 45 Cords 2,564 5,024 Veneer and plywood ...... M surf. ft. All other materials ..... Value 99



# WOODENWARE, 1931 and 1932.

Table 8. - Products. 1931 and 1932.

	Unit of	Quan		Value		
Products	Measure	1931	1932	1931	1932	
				\$	\$	
TOTAL	-	_	-	1,308,275	924,074	
Clothes pins	\$	708,000 292,279 - - -	655,765 258,080	121,061 86,994 235,684 107,582 58,672	107,882 71,149 172,564 62,901 32,596	
Boxes and containers, including berry boxes, fruit and vegetable baskets and crates, box shooks, butter boxes and	\$	-		102,359	125,113	
all other boxes and containers All other products, including lumber, veneer and plywood, children's sleighs, dowels, furniture and other cabinet work, artificial limb parts, shims, snow fences, tie plugs, railway ties, poppies and poppy wreaths, abattoir wood- work, flag sticks, wooden	\$	-		191,884	159,913	
toys, pulpwood and repair work	\$	-	**	404,039	191,956	

MOTE: - Data given here do not necessarily represent the total Canadian production under each heading, since these products are also listed under other industries.

# WOODENVARE WAS THE PRINCIPAL PRODUCT OF THE FOLLOWING FIRMS IN 1932.

Miller & Gorden Mfg. Co. Ltd., Nova Scotia Woodenware Limited, Vetcraft Industries,

Nova Scotia Carleton.

South Brookfield.

Jubilee Road & Summer Street, Halifax. (H.O. Daly Building, Ottawa, Ontario).

New Brunswick

Harvey Station.

Quebec

Brown, C. J. & Co.,

Little, Kenneth,

Brown Package Div. (Hardware & Woodenware

Limited),

Megantic Manufacturing Company, Montreal Step-Ladder & Woodworking Shop, Danville.

330 Water Street, Coaticook.

Lake Megantic.

6776 Molson Street, Montreal.

Ontario

Bryant Wood Products,

Canadian Woodenware Company, Keenan Woodenware Mfg. Co. Ltd., McFarlane Mfg. Co. Ltd., Semmens & Son, Vetcraft Industries,

Wilberforce. (H.O. 601 Indian Rd., Toronto 9).

New Street, St. Thomas.

3rd Ave. & 18th St. E., Owen Sound. 137 Duchess Street, Toronto 2.

174 York Street, Hamilton. 41 John St. S., Hamilton & 352 Christie St., Toronto 4.

Manitoba

The Enterorise Mfg. Co. (D. Huebert), Woodenware C. P. Company,

30 Lily Street, Winnipeg. 100 King Street, Winnipeg.

British Columbia

Allright Ladder Co. (Nixon & Avery),

Hiker Products Limited, Western Broom & Woodenware Limited,

912 Richards Street, Vancouver. 878 Viewfield Road, Victoria.

631 Kingsway, Vancouver. 000\_\_\_



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