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THE PRINTING AND BOOKBINDING INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1933

Ottawa, December 27th, 1934.- Principal statistics of the Printing and Bookbinding industry for 1933 have just been released by the Forestry Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

This industrial group includes all establishments engaged wholly or chiefly in printing and bookbinding. Many of these establishments do a certain amount of publishing as well as lithographing, engraving and allied work as a side line. There is also a certain amount of printing and bookbinding done in other industrial groups. Complete statistics for all establishments where printing and bookbinding is carried on will be shown later in a report covering the printing trades as a whole.

There were 1,122 establishments engaged in this industry in 1933, the distribution by provinces being as follows: Ontario 475, Quebec 329, British Columbia 92, Manitoba 85, Alberta 51, Saskatchewan 34, Nova Scotia 29, New Brunswick 23 and Prince Edward Island 4.

Capital investment in these concerns amounted to \$38,860,669, of which \$26,352,791 represented the value of land, buildings, fixtures, machinery, tools and other equipment, \$4,320,893 the inventory value of materials on hand, stocks in process, fuel and miscellaneous supplies on hand, \$988,499 the inventory value of finished products on hand, and \$7,198,486 the operating capital, i.e. cash, bills and accounts receivable, prepaid expenses, etc.

The average number of employees in the printing and bookbinding industry was 11,271, of which 3,099 were salaried employees and 8,172 wage-earners. Salaries and wages paid in 1933 amounted to \$12,277,207.

The power equipment of the industry consisted mostly of electric motors and totalled 11,940 H.P. The total expenditure for electricity was \$255,399, representing the cost of 10,144,678 K.w.h. Fuel used during the year cost \$150,392.

The materials used amounted to \$9,694,048 in 1933, while the production was valued at \$28,210,076.

The following table gives the principal statistics of the industry for 1932 and 1933.

Principal Statistics, 1932-1933.

Items	Unit	1932	1933
Establishments.....	No.	1,055	1,122
Capital invested.....	\$	39,451,964	38,860,669
Employees on salaries.....	No.	3,131	3,099
Salaries paid.....	\$	5,284,914	4,806,605
Employees on wages.....	No.	8,548	8,172
Wages paid.....	\$	8,589,102	7,470,602
Fuel used.....	\$	145,399	150,392
Electricity purchased.....	Kw.h.	10,095,052	10,144,678
Electricity purchased.....	\$	263,295	255,399
Cost of materials.....	\$	10,967,767	9,694,048
Value of products.....	\$	31,270,486	28,210,076

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