

The production of natural rock cement in the United States in the years 1899, 1900 and 1901, was as follows :—

1899.....	9,868,179	barrels, valued at \$4,814,771
1900.....	8,383,519	“ 3,728,848
1901.....	7,084,823	“ 3,056,278

The number of works engaged in the production of Portland cement in 1901 was 56, and the number producing natural rock cement was 60.

MICA.

Value of Mica exported from Canada during the years ended June 30, 1888-1903 :—

Year.	Quantity.	Value.	Year.	Quantity.	Value.
	Lbs.	\$		Lbs.	\$
1888.....	285,501	8,767	1896.....	558,419	55,627
1889.....	510,151	35,633	1897.....	479,016	61,998
1890.....		26,932	1898.....	509,336	69,513
1891.....		22,312	1899.....	1,186,185	148,239
1892.....		68,466	1900.....	1,079,353	136,352
1893.....		96,900	1901.....	979,258	149,588
1894.....	342,392	26,553	1902.....	997,165	242,310
1895.....	771,097	47,469	1903.....	1,393,720	327,879

NOTE.—For production of mica see page 181.

Principal countries to which exported, 1903—

Great Britain.....	658,081	pounds, \$143,736
United States.....	729,489	“ 183,193
Other countries.....	6,150	“ 950
Total.....	1,393,720	\$327,879

Mica production of the United States in 1902 was as follows :—Sheet mica, 419,266 pounds, valued at \$84,335, and scrap mica, 1,377 tons, valued at \$34,006 The quantity of mica imported during the same year was 1,806,584 pounds, valued at \$384,818 ; in 1903, 1,945,199 lbs, valued at \$414,953.

A specific duty of 6 cents per pound is imposed on unmanufactured mica and 12 cents per pound on mica cut or trimmed, with an additional 20 per cent ad valorem duty on each.