

PRODUCTION OF ASBESTUS IN CANADA—*Concluded.*

Calendar Year.		Quantity.	Value.	Average Value per Ton.
		Tons.	\$	\$ cts.
1897	Asbestus	13,202	399,528	30 26
	Asbestic	17,240	45,840	2 66
	Total	30,442	445,368	14 63
1898	Asbestus	16,124	475,131	29 46
	Asbestic	7,661	16,066	2 10
	Total	23,785	491,197	20 65
1899	Asbestus	17,790	468,635	26 34
	Asbestic	7,746	17,214	2 22
	Total	25,536	485,849	19 03
1900	Asbestus	21,621	729,886	33 76
	Asbestic	7,520	18,545	2 46
	Total	29,141	748,431	25 68
1901	Asbestus	32,892	1,248,645	37 96
	Asbestic	7,325	11,114	1 52
	Total	40,217	1,259,759	31 32
1902	Asbestus	30,219	1,126,688	37 28
	Asbestic	10,197	21,631	2 12
	Total	40,416	1,148,319	28 41
1903	Asbestus	31,780	891,033	24 90
	Asbestic	10,548	13,819	1 31
	Total	42,328	904,852	21 38
1904	*Asbestus	35,635	1,167,238	32 76
	*Asbestic	13,011	13,006	1 00
	Total	48,646	1,180,244	24 26

* Subject to revision.

The demand for Canadian asbestos is increasing, as indicated above. The variation in value, as seen, is due to the varying amount of asbestic included in the total. The prices of the various grades of asbestos are, approximately :—No. 1 crude, \$150 to \$250 a ton; No. 2 (white), \$75 to \$125; No. 3 (red), \$50 to \$75; mill fibre or paper stock, \$20 to \$40; asbestic, \$1 to \$3 a ton.

EXPORTS OF ASBESTUS, 1892-1904.

Year ended June 30.	Quantity.	Value.	Year ended June 30.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	\$		Tons.	\$
1892	7,316	514,512	1899	14,520	453,176
1893	5,898	396,718	1900	18,164	490,909
1894	6,229	339,756	1901	26,715	864,573
1895	8 593	493,075	1902	33,072	1,131,202
1896	9,588	482,679	1903	30,661	355,405
1897	10,969	510,916	1904	34,636	984,836
1898	18,424	510,368			