

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

47.—Bounties paid to Cordage Companies on Manila Fibre used in the manufacture of Binder Twine and Cordage, 1911-1912.

Cordage companies.	Binder Twine and Cordage made.	Manila Fibre used.	Bounties paid.
	Lb.	Lb.	\$
The Canadian Cordage and Mfg. Co., Ltd., Peterboro, Ont.....	1,008,295	677,054	2,308
The Brantford Cordage Co., Ltd., Brantford, Ont.....	3,254,496	1,254,920	4,278
The Consumers' Cordage Co., Ltd., Montreal, Que., and Dartmouth, N.S.....	7,250,451	5,256,142	17,919
The Farmers' Binder Twine Co., Ltd., Brantford, Ont.....	2,151,744	893,258	3,045
The Plymouth Cordage Co., Ltd., Welland, Ont.....	15,812,595	6,748,620	23,007
Totals.....	29,477,581	14,829,994	50,557

NOTE.—The quantity of binder twine and cordage made was 19,464,144 and 10,013,437 pounds respectively.

Patents and Copyright.—Applications for patents in Canada from inventors in other countries were first received in 1872. In that year the total number of applications for patents made to the Canadian Patent Office, Department of Agriculture, was 752, and the total fees amounted to \$18,652. The business of the Office has continued gradually to expand, and the number of applications and total fees have increased each year without a break since the beginning of the present century. For the fiscal year ended March 31, 1912, a further record was made of 8,293 applications and of \$207,763 as the total fees, the corresponding figures for 1911 being 8,037 and \$200,164. The number of patents granted in the fiscal year 1912 was 7,399, as compared with 7,249 in 1911. Of the total number of patents granted in the fiscal year 1912, 4,997 were issued to inventors or assignees resident in the United States, this number being 67 p.c. of the total. Patents to Canadian inventors numbered 1,083, the other principal countries in order of the number of patents granted being Great Britain 506, Germany 336, France 108 and Australia 99. Table 48 shows the distribution of the Canadian patentees by province of residence for the years 1907 to 1912.

48.—Number of Canadian Patentees by Province of Residence for the fiscal years 1907-1912.

Provinces.	1907.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island.....	2	2	3	2	—	—
Nova Scotia.....	30	27	24	29	31	30
New Brunswick.....	25	25	18	30	23	17
Quebec.....	225	178	205	267	271	233
Ontario.....	465	424	467	610	610	531
Manitoba.....	72	61	71	88	102	72
Saskatchewan.....	25	15	32	40	47	47
Alberta.....	18	25	28	39	54	56
British Columbia.....	57	52	51	90	108	97
Territories and Yukon.....	1	6	4	3	—	—
Totals.....	920	815	903	1,198	1,246	1,083