

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

51.—Bounties paid to Cordage Companies on Manila Fibre used in the manufacture of Binder Twine and Cordage, 1912-1913.

Cordage companies.	Binder Twine and Cordage made.	Manila Fibre used	Bounties paid.
	Lb.	Lb.	\$
The Canadian Cordage and Mfg. Co., Peterboro, Ont.....			
The Brantford Cordage Co., Ltd., Brantford, Ont.	3,584,981	733,264	2,500
The Consumers' Cordage Co., Ltd., Montreal, Que., and Dartmouth, N.S.....	8,115,181	6,123,900	20,877
The Farmers' Binder Twine Co., Ltd., Brantford, Ont.....	354,960	105,947	361
The Plymouth Cordage Co., Ltd., Welland, Ont....	13,567,375	4,162,060	14,179
Totals.....	25,622,497	11,125,171	37,917

NOTE.—The quantity of binder twine and cordage made was 14,556,133 and 11,066,364 lb. respectively.

Patents.—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, 1913, a further record was made of 8,681 applications and \$218,125 as the total fees, the corresponding figures for 1912 being 8,203 and \$207,763. The number of patents granted in the fiscal year 1913 was 7,502, as compared with 7,399 in 1912. Of the total number of patents granted in the fiscal year 1913, 4,964 were issued to inventors or assignees resident in the United States, this number being 66 p. c. of the total. Patents to Canadian inventors numbered 1,256, the other principal countries in order of the number of patents granted being Great Britain 495, Germany 307, France 100 and Australia 75. Table 52 shows the distribution of the Canadian patentees by province of residence for the years 1907 to 1913.