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TRADE NOTES.

Silicosis Bill.—In the House of Commons, Mr. Short, Under-Secretary, Home Office, moved the second reading of the Workmen's Compensation (Silicosis) Bill, which has already passed the House of Lords. He explained that the Bill empowered the Home Secretary to make schemes that would enable employers to pay compensation to workpeople who contracted silicosis, and provided for improved medical arrangements for the diagnosis and certification of that disease. The diagnosis of the disease, it had been found, required not only great skill, but the latest scientific appliances, and the Bill was intended to secure uniform and effective medical arrangements, by means of medical boards and panels in different centres, the work of which would be co-ordinated. It was also intended to provide for the payment of compensation for partial incapacity, and not only for total incapacity or death, as a consequence of the disease, in all the industries concerned. It was not suggested that all the workers in the industries would need to be medically examined—they numbered between 60,000 and 70,000—but it would be necessary to have periodical examinations for the early discovery of disease and its arrest before it had made progress. The Bill also proposed to extend the Workmen's Compensation Act to industries whose processes exposed the workers to asbestos dust. The Bill had the support of the employers and of the general council of the Trades Union Congress. Mr. Davies thought it would be difficult to satisfy a man who was of the opinion that he had got his disease through working in a mine or in a sandstone quarry or in an asbestos works, when the medical man decided that that was not the case. At the present time it had been regarded as essential that there should be a certain percentage of silica in the dust. If the scheme provided that there must be 20, 30, 40 or 50 per cent. of silica in coal and then it turned out that that particular coal was below that content, it would mean that the miners in that colliery would not come under the scheme, and there might be trouble there. There would be a very large number of cases that would not come under the scheme and they should not raise hopes among the miners and other workers that once this Bill was passed any man who had a trace of silica or asbestos in his lungs would be scheduled for compensation. The Bill was read a second time and committed to a Standing Committee.

AUCTION SALES.

THE HALWILL CO., LTD., NORTH DEVON, IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

MESSRS. R. BLACKMORE AND SONS, F.A.I., have received instructions to sell by Auction on Thursday, July 24, 1930, at 3 p.m., all the plant and machinery including a brickmaking machine by Bennett and Sayer, Ltd., Wet Clay Grinding Pan by J. Whitehead and Co., two Downdraught Kilns and Drying Shed, etc., etc.

The property will first be offered as a whole concern, but if unsold, the plant and machinery will be offered in separate lots as may be convenient for dismantling.

For further particulars see advertisement page xxi.

THE BEDDINGTON BRICKWORKS, SURREY.

Messrs. Hooker and Rogers will sell by Auction on Wednesday, July 23, at 2 p.m., the above Property, including the machinery and plant. For further particulars see advertisement page xxi.

NOVOCRETE WORKS, STONEBRIDGE WORKS, PARK ROYAL, N.W. 10.

Messrs. F. W. Gapp and Co. have received instructions to sell by Auction, on July 23 and 24, at 11.30 a.m. each day at the above works, all the machinery, plant and stock, etc., etc. For further particulars see advertisement page xxi.

BRICK, TILES, &c., AND CEMENT IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.—Month ending May 31, 1930.

	1928. £	1929. £	1930. £
Bricks...	57,001	44,918	41,667
Floor tiles...	332	670	3,892
Glazed wall and hearth tiles...	26,057	33,310	39,673
Roofing and paving tiles	38,893	32,698	25,542
Sanitary ware...	7,061	6,163	7,112
Electrical ware (including insulators) and door fittings...	7,722	11,602	12,282
Cement...	55,784	52,210	33,475

EXPORTS.—Month ending May 31, 1930.

	1928. £	1929. £	1930. £
Bricks...	3,230	2,049	2,578
Floor tiles...	2,822	2,068	2,179
Other tiles...	38,185	47,036	44,191
Sanitary ware...	100,066	125,599	109,238
Electrical ware (including insulators) and door fittings...	13,894	18,823	20,310
Refractory goods and clay products not otherwise specified...	60,818	64,979	60,398
Cement...	213,577	263,748	252,429

EXPORTS OF CLAY.

The following were the quantities and value of the exports of unmanufactured clay from the United Kingdom in May last:—

	Quantity (tons).		Value (£).	
	1929.	1930.	1929.	1930.
China clay*	84,175	43,284	185,881	92,158
Fireclay	5,358	4,706	6,636	8,309
All other sorts	10,408	8,345	22,360	17,624
Totals...	99,941	56,335	214,877	118,091

The whole exports for the first five months of each year to May 31 were:—

	Quantity (tons).		Value (£).	
	1929.	1930.	1929.	1930.
China clay*	276,947	254,103	618,770	564,986
Fireclay	15,889	16,926	27,099	28,800
All other sorts..	37,229	37,233	75,556	76,565
Totals	330,065	308,262	721,425	670,651

* Including Cornish or china stone.

IMPORTATION OF FOREIGN BRICKS AND TILES.

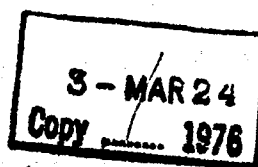
Below are given the numbers and values of Foreign Bricks and Tiles imported into this country during the month of May last.

	Number.	Value (£).
Bricks of brick earth or clay	19,222,000	41,667
Roofing tiles	3,892,746	24,508
All other tiles (including quarries and street tiles)	83,409	1,034

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