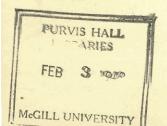


Thirty-Sixth Annual Report

For Year Ended November 30th 1 9 4 7

Belding-Corticelli Limited



Belding-Corticelli Limited

Head Office and Mills



MONTREAL, QUE.



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Board of Directors

President

W. P. MACDOUGALL

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W. G. HICKS

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Secretary

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Belding-Corticelli Limited

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For presentation to the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held at the Head Office, 1455 Shearer Street, Montreal, on Wednesday, February 18th, 1948, at 12 o'clock noon.

Your Directors submit herewith the Thirty-sixth Annual Report and Financial Statements covering the operations of your Company for the year ended November 30th, 1947.

We are pleased to inform you that your Company is now commencing its 72nd year in business in Canada, one of its predecessors having started operations in 1876.

SALES were the largest in the history of the Company, the volume being greater than in any of the years 1940 to 1945, when each year included considerable war business.

NET PROFIT for the year was \$148,774.74, after providing for full Depreciation, Income and Excess profits taxes, Pension Fund, etc., also an amount of \$150,000.00 to Inventory reserve, as a protection against possible future decline in prices.

RETIREMENT PLAN—The balance due for Past Service amounting to \$168,581.22 has been charged against Surplus Account.

DIVIDENDS—An extra 1% Common stock dividend amounting to \$7,495.00 was paid out of the profits of the year 1946. During the year Dividends on the Preferred and Common stocks totalled \$113,036.00.

PROPERTIES—Following your Directors usual policy, the programme of replacements and modernization continued, with new machinery and equipment, etc., amounting to \$204,110.04 being put into operation.

CUSTOMS TARIFFS—Reductions in the Canadian rates following the International Trade Conference at Geneva are not likely to immediately affect your Company's business while high prices prevail abroad; however, when competition is keen these reductions may be serious.

The narrowing of the British Preferences may adversely affect the volume of Export trade your Company has enjoyed in Empire countries for many years.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS—It is with satisfaction that we are able to report that they have been maintained on a fair and sound basis in all your plants. During the year labor agreements have been entered into covering the employees of your St. Johns and Coaticook Mills.

Once more your Directors are pleased to express their thanks and appreciation to the entire staff for their splendid service during the year.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS—The Balance Sheet and accounts have been certified by Messrs. Riddell, Stead, Graham & Hutchison, Chartered Accountants, as per certificate attached.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board,

W. P. MACDOUGALL, President.



BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH NOVEMBER, 1947

ASSETS	
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LIABILITIES

CURRENT ASSETS		CURRENT LIABILITIES
Cash on hand and in bank. Investments—Government Bonds, etc., at book value plus accrued interest (Approximate market value \$111,864.00) Accounts and Bills Receivable, less reserve for doubtful accounts. Inventories of Manufactured and Partly Manufactured products, Raw Materials, Supplies, etc., quantities and condition determined by the Management, valued on a conservative basis and not over replacement value, less reserves (including reserve permitted by the Excess Profits Tax Act).	110,138.66 806,618.38	Accounts Payable \$294,506.41 Sales Taxes, Payroll Tax Deductions, etc. 41,145.89 Reserve for Government Taxes, subject to final determination by taxing authorities after prepayment of \$110,000.00 85,721.57 Due to Pension Fund 7,601.87 Accrued Charges—Commissions, Wages, etc. 87,141.45 Dividend on Preferred Stock, payable 2nd January, 1948 \$15,142.75 Dividend on Common Stock payable 2nd January, 1948 18,737.50 33,880.25 Total Current Liabilities \$549,997.44
·		BALANCE DUE TO PENSION FUND—PAST SERVICE 168,581.22
Total Current Assets	§2.041,5 2 6.67	RESERVES
GOODWILL AND TRADE MARKS	1.00	Employees' Benefit Reserve \$ 183,086.85 Contingent Reserves 49,101.63 Advertising Reserve 10,000.00 Plant Improvement Reserve 75,000.00 317,188.48
PROPERTY ACCOUNTS Real Estate, Plant, Machinery, Equipment and Office Furniture as at 30th November 1946. \$3,476,474.74 Additions during year—Net. 204,110.04 \$3,680,584.78 Reserve for Depreciation 2,583,875.85	1.006.708.03	CAPITAL STOCK 7% Cumulative Preferred Shares of \$100.00 each: Authorized—16,500 Shares. \$1,650,000.00 Issued — 8,653 Shares. \$865,300.00 Common Shares of \$100.00 each: Authorized— 8,500 Shares. \$50,000.00
2,505,675.05	1,090,700.93	Issued — 7,495 Shares. 749,500.00 1,614,800.00
DEFERRED CHARGES Insurance, Taxes, etc. \$ 11,582.88 Balance Coaticook Power Contract. 65,250.00	76,832.88	\$2,500,000.00 CAPITAL SURPLUS 74,000.00 EARNED SURPLUS
		Balance as per statement attached
REFUNDABLE PORTION OF EXCESS PROFITS TAX	114.474,17 63,329,543.65	DEFERRED SURPLUS Refundable portion of Excess Profits Tax 114,474.17 \$3,329,543.65
-		Montreal, 20th January, 1948.

W. P. MACDOUGALL, Director.

R. C. VAUGHAN, Director.

Verified subject to our report of this date.
(Signed) Riddell, Stead, Graham & Hutchison,
Chartered Accountants, Auditors.

Belding-Corticelli Limited

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

For the Year Ended 30th November, 1947

PROFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER, 1947		
For the year ended 30th November, 1947, after deducting all Manufacturing, Selling and Administration Expenses, but before providing for Depreciation, etc.	\$	744,165.63
Income from Investments	φ	8,454.84 16,897.64
Deduct:		769,518.11
Provision for Depreciation		
Taxes		
Pension Fund Contribution 19,036.34		
Directors' Remuneration 7,300.00 Executive Remuneration 63,750.00		
Legal Fees		(00 F40 0F
Inventory Reduction Reserve	\$	620,743.37 148,774.74
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EARNED SURPLUS		
Balance at Credit, 30th November, 1946	\$	657,914.75
ADD:		
Machinery depreciation overprovided in 1946		2,433.61
Deduct:		000,348.30
Balance Pension Fund Contribution for Past Service. \$ 168,581.22 Additional provision for 1946 Income and		
Excess Profits Taxes		198,089.76
	_	462,258.60
Net Profit for the year ended 30th November, 1947	\$	148,774.74
7		611,033.34
DEDUCT: 1% Extra Common Dividend for 1946, paid		
March 1st, 1947		7,495.00
on Preferred Stock \$ 60,571.00 on Common Stock \$ 52,465.00		112 026 00
Balance, as per Balance Sheet	\$	113,036.00 490,502.34
	_	.50,502.01

RIDDELL, STEAD, GRAHAM & HUTCHISON

Chartered Accountants

460 St. Francois Xavier St. P.O. Box 2398 Place D'Armes Montreal, 1

20th January, 1948.

To the President and Shareholders, of Belding-Corticelli Limited, Montreal, Que.

We have examined the books and accounts of Belding-Corticelli Limited for the year ended 30th November, 1947, and find that the accompanying Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account have been correctly prepared therefrom.

The Investments of the Company have been verified by actual inspection of the Securities held or by Certificate from the Depositary.

The Inventories of Stock on Hand, as certified by responsible officials of the Company, have been valued on a conservative basis.

Renegotiation of all War Contracts has now been completed and the net result is a reduction in the Refundable Portion of the Excess Profits Tax of \$6,309.97, leaving a balance due in this account of \$114,474.17.

Income Tax returns have been checked by the Taxing Authorities up to 30th November 1946, but final assessments have not yet been received. We are satisfied adequate provision has been made to cover this liability.

We report that we have obtained all the information and explanations we have required and that, in our opinion, the Balance Sheet as at 30th November, 1947, is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs, according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company.

(Signed) Riddell, Stead, Graham & Hutchison,

Auditors.

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