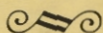


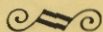
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SIXTEENTH
ANNUAL REPORT
of

Canadian Wirebound Boxes
LIMITED
TORONTO . CANADA



Year Ended April 30th, 1944



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Canadian Wirebound Boxes

LIMITED

DIRECTORS

| | |
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| A. K. Cameron | H. M. Millar |
| A. M. Dunn | Stuart B. Playfair |
| E. G. McMillan | H. L. Trapp |
| D. L. White, Jr. | |

OFFICERS

| | | | |
|------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| D. L. White, Jr. | - | - | Chairman Board of Directors |
| A. M. Dunn | - | - | President and Managing Director |
| F. H. Ellis | - | - | Secretary |
| J. P. Berney | - | - | Treasurer |

TRANSFER AGENT
AND REGISTRAR OF TRANSFERS

at Toronto

Chartered Trust and Executor Company

To the Shareholders,

CANADIAN WIREBOUND BOXES, LIMITED.

The Board of Directors submits herewith the Sixteenth Annual Report of the Company for the year ended April 30th, 1944 including consolidated financial statements and the report of the Auditors.

Net earnings for the year, before depreciation and taxes, amounted to \$402,729.17. After providing for depreciation of \$62,831.36 and Federal Income and Excess Profits taxes of \$223,600.00 (after deducting the refundable portion of excess profits tax of \$44,500.00) a net profit of \$116,297.81 is shown. This compares with a net profit of \$103,641.70 for the previous fiscal period.

The transfer from Earned Surplus to the Special Surplus Account is made in accordance with provisions in the Supplementary Letters Patent which require the transfer thereto of 10% of the net earnings for the year after providing for depreciation and taxes. The amount of \$8,261.75 shown as a transfer for the current year is after giving effect to the adjustment of \$33,680.27, re Federal taxes affecting prior periods, shown in the Earned Surplus Account.

Working capital of the Company now stands at \$271,321.82 as compared with \$274,552.92 on April 30th, 1943, a decrease of \$3,231.10.

The enlarged and improved facilities of the Company have been utilized to full advantage with a resulting increase in the volume of sales a large portion of which have been for war purposes.

Dividends on the Class A shares were paid at the cumulative rate of \$1.50 during the year. However, in view of the effect of the Excess Profits tax on the earning position of the Company, the Directors have deemed it unwise to take any further action in respect to the arrears of dividends on such shares.

During the year the Company made an application to the War Contracts Depreciation Board for special depreciation allowance in respect to a part of the cost of the additional plant facilities. The amount involved, which is substantial, is to be absorbed over a three year period commencing with the fiscal year ended April 30th, 1942, and pending the hearing of this case and a decision thereunder the Company have taken no credit in respect thereto in the provision for taxes set up in this statement.

On behalf of the Directors and myself, I wish to express appreciation of the services being rendered under these difficult times by the employees of the Company.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "G. M. Dumm". The signature is written in dark ink and is centered on the page.

President.

August 1st, 1944.

CANADIAN WIREBOUND BOXES, LIMITED

and its Subsidiary

EASTISLE REALTIES LTD.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

April 30th, 1944

ASSETS

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Current Assets: | |
| Cash on hand and in banks | 62,394.43 |
| Accounts Receivable, less Reserve for Bad Debts | 291,943.90 |
| Inventory, Merchandise and Supplies, at the lower of cost or market, as certified by the management | 446,753.51 |
| Prepaid Expenses | 26,167.21 |
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| Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance | 827,259.05 |
| Refundable Portion of Excess Profits Tax | 5,125.00 |
| Fixed Assets at depreciated appraisal values as of April 14th, 1928, plus subsequent additions at cost: | 65,300.00 |
| Land | 176,866.32 |
| Buildings and Equipment | 1,429,343.59 |
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| | 1,606,209.91 |
| Less Reserve for Depreciation | 733,034.04 |
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| Patents, Leases, etc. | 873,175.87 |
| | 634,080.79 |
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| | <u>\$2,404,940.71</u> |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Current Liabilities | |
| Accounts and Bills Payable..... | 151,220.80 |
| Sundry Creditors | 34,571.27 |
| Accrued Expenses | 42,045.16 |
| Provision for Income and Excess Profits Taxes | 328,100.00 |
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| | 555,937.23 |
| Mortgages Payable | 100,106.59 |
| Miscellaneous Reserve | 19,650.74 |
| Capital and Surplus: | |
| Class A Stock (no par value): | |
| Authorized, 150,000 shares: | |
| Originally Issued | 90,000 shares |
| Redeemed and Cancelled, | 39,085 shares |
| Outstanding | 50,915 shares |
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| | 1,363,790.00 |
| Class B Stock (no par value): | |
| Authorized and issued, | 40,000 shares |
| Consolidated Earned Surplus | 184,603.28 |
| Special Surplus | 180,852.87 |
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| | 1,729,246.15 |
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| | <u>\$2,404,940.71</u> |

Contingent Liability—The provision for Excess Profits Tax has been calculated after the application of an inventory reserve as permitted by the Act, which reserve is not recorded in the books nor included in the above statement.

Note—Arrears of dividends on Class A Shares at April 30th, 1944 amounted to \$1.25 per share.

CANADIAN WIREBOUND BOXES, LIMITED
and its Subsidiary
EASTISLE REALTIES LTD.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Year ended April 30th, 1944

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|--|---------------------|
| Net Profit before depreciation and taxes..... | 402,729.17 |
| Deduct Provision for Depreciation..... | 62,831.36 |
| | 339,897.81 |
| Net Profit before undermentioned taxes..... | 339,897.81 |
| Deduct Provision for Income and Excess Profits Taxes | 268,100.00 |
| Less Refundable Portion of Excess Profits Tax | 44,500.00 |
| | 223,600.00 |
| Net Profit for year | \$116,297.81 |

CONSOLIDATED EARNED SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Year ended April 30th, 1944

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Earned Surplus, April 30th, 1943..... | 186,619.99 |
| Add: | |
| Net Profit for year | 116,297.81 |
| | 302,917.80 |
| Deduct: | |
| Dividends on Class A Shares..... | 76,372.50 |
| Adjustment, Federal Taxes 1941-1942 and 1943 periods | 33,680.27 |
| Transfer to Special Surplus | 8,261.75 |
| | 118,314.52 |
| Earned Surplus, April 30th, 1944 | \$184,603.28 |

SPECIAL SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Year ended April 30th, 1944

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|--|--------------|
| Special Surplus, April 30th, 1943..... | 172,591.12 |
| Add Transfer from Earned Surplus Account..... | 8,261.75 |
| | \$180,852.87 |

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

We have audited the books and accounts of Canadian Wirebound Boxes, Limited and its subsidiary, Eastisle Realities Ltd. for the year ended April 30th, 1944. All our requirements, as auditors, have been complied with and we report that, in our opinion, the foregoing Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Companies' affairs as at April 30th, 1944, according to the best of our information and the explanations given us, and as shown by the books.

THORNE, MULHOLLAND, HOWSON & McPHERSON,
Toronto, July 10th, 1944. Chartered Accountants.

OUR GENERAL LINE OF SHIPPING CASES IS GEARED TO THE WAR EFFORT

Our production of Wirebound Boxes, Nailed Boxes and Plywood Cases is being used extensively for packaging Shells, Fuses, All Kinds of War Products, as well as Food and Clothing for our Armed Forces and Workers on the Home Front.

Corrugated Cartons in large quantities from the Company's Factories are carrying the Prisoners-of-War Parcels, Munitions of War and Essential Civilian Goods.

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Seventy employees, with service of six months or more with the Company, are in the Armed Forces.

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AND
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MONTREAL, QUE.
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