

MASONRY

Light Weight Block
Normal Weight Block
Split Faced Block
Burnished Block
Glazed Block
Slump Block
Fluted Block
Scored Block
Glass Block
Clay Brick
Natural Stone
Man Made Stone
Cement
Lime
Pre-blended Mortars
Reinforcing Wire
Ties & Anchors

HARDSCAPE

Retaining Wall Block
Wet Cast Pavers
Dry Cast Pavers
Oversized Pavers
Outdoor living kits
Natural Stone
Geo Textiles
Polymeric Sand
Rigid & Flexible Edging

PRE-CAST PRODUCTS

Storm Shelters
Feed Bunks
Parking Bumpers
Septic Tanks
Water Tanks
Monument Bases
Infiltrator Systems
Splash Blocks

DOORS & HARDWARE

Hollow Metal Doors
Knock Down Frames
Welded Frames
Safe Room Doors
Bullet Proof Doors
Bilco Basement Doors
Hinges
Locks
Closers
Weatherseal
Door Windows

BUILDING MATERIALS

Fire places
Clay flue tile
Fire Bricks
Chimney Caps
Concrete/Masonry Sealers
Concrete/Masonry Cleaners
Concrete/Masonry Adhesives
Caulking
Expansion Joint
Concrete nails
Expansion Joint
Form Hardware
Wall Ties
Bar Ties
Polyethylene Film
Rebar
Reinforcing Mesh
Concrete Finishing Tools
Masonry Tools
Non-shrink grout
Quikrete Products
Areawalls
Egress Window Frames
Perlite Insulation
Thoro Waterproofing



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The State of Kansas has seen few events more significant than the **Locust Plague of 1874**. With ideal nesting conditions, trillions of Rocky Mountain Locust larvae were hatched in the spring of 1874 in Canada and the Dakotas. After growing they ate everything such as grass, crops, gardens, the wool off sheep, harnesses off horses, paint, paper, bark, pitchfork handles, clothing, and anything else that was not covered. Once an area was stripped clean the swarms would move south in search of more food. Swarms began arriving in Kansas in late July and August. Trains were stranded because of their inability to gain traction from the rails becoming too slippery. With the use of telegraphs one swarm was estimated to be 1,800 miles long by 110 miles wide. The First United Methodist Church in Hutchinson was built in the summer of 1874. As a result thousands of these locusts are mixed into the foundations. The locusts would drift against fences to a depth of over 1 foot thick. It was estimated that only 1 in 10 families had enough food to make it through the winter. Aid was difficult to transport and sadly, many Kansans starved to death as a result. Aid did eventually arrive in the form of money, food, and supplies. With the change in habitat and farming practices this locust which once devastated Kansas is now considered extinct. The last sighting was in 1902 in Canada. As we all consider how things "could be" let's all give thanks that the Rocky Mountain Locust will not be an issue for us this August.

Within a business there are times where inventory becomes as welcomed as a locust was to a Kansas farmer. Salina Concrete Products (SCP) finds itself in just such a position with the Matebo tool line. Due to a variety of reasons SCP needs to liquidate the Matebo power tools that are currently in stock. **While supplies last all Matebo tools will be discounted 30% from their listed pricing.** This offer applies to stocked hand tools only, drill bits and other accessories are not included. If you are interested, please stop by the office at 1100 West Ash Street to look at the tools.

As always, we thank you for your continued business and support!

Best Regards,

Peter Browning
General Manager