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COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA, MAY, 1932.

COPPER - Canadian producers reported an output of 21,356,879 pounds of copper during May as compared with 22,077,843 pounds in April and 26,598,601 pounds in May, 1931, according to a statement issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Copper production during the first five months of the current year totalled 109,200,957 pounds, a decline of 12.5 per cent from the output in the corresponding period of 1931. Blister copper output in May amounted to 16,070,263 pounds, or 17.1 per cent below the April total of 19,391,827 pounds.

Quotations for electrolytic copper in the United States during May ranged from a high of 5.525 cents per pound to a low of 5.025 cents per pound, with the latter price prevailing at the close of the month. The average price for May was 5.237 cents per pound as against 5.565 cents per pound in the preceding month. Valued at the average price in Canadian funds of 5.9215 cents per pound, the total Canadian May output was worth \$1,264,648.

Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc., exported during May amounted to 6,106,800 pounds valued at \$183,203. Blister copper exports totalled 777,400 pounds at \$42,953; in April, 619,400 pounds worth \$35,770 were exported. Exports from Canada during May of copper in ingots, bars, cakes, slabs and billets were recorded at 15,310,000 pounds with a valuation of \$964,357 and of copper in rods, strips, sheets, plates and tubing, 1,875,900 pounds appraised at \$119,167.

NICKEL - Production of nickel in Canada during May amounted to 3,471,304 pounds, in April, 3,384,620 pounds were produced and in May, 1931 the output was 10,653,724 pounds.

Exports of nickel in ore, matte or speiss in May consisted of 648,400 pounds shipped to Great Britain, 645,200 pounds to Norway and 551,600 pounds to the United States. Fine nickel exports included 1,357,300 pounds consigned to the United States, 89,600 pounds to Italy and 11,300 pounds to Japan. Nickel oxide exports declined to 42,800 pounds during May.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER AND NICKEL IN CANADA

	COPPER	NICKEL	FIVE MONTHS ENDING	NICKEL
1932	21,356,879 pounds	3,471,304 pounds	109,200,957 pounds	18,000,476 pounds
1931	26,598,601 "	10,653,724 "	124,783,707 "	36,340,683 "
1930	27,516,632 "	9,538,891 "	131,605,175 "	46,528,826
1929	19,233,246	9,337,783 "	94,712,477 *	45,698,235

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