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MONTHLY REPORT

COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1936.

COPPER - Copper production in Canada during January totalled 34,289,634 pounds as compared with 36,556,119 pounds produced in December and 33,480,418 pounds produced in January, 1935, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Blister copper production during January amounted to 32,023,170 pounds; in the preceding month 32,683,362 pounds were produced.

Quotations for electrolytic copper on the London market in January averaged 8,59864 cents per pound in Canadian funds; valued at this price the output in Canada during the month was worth \$2,948,442. The December average price was 8.732224 cents per pound and the value of the month's production was \$3,192,162.

The world production of refined copper declined to 131,384 tons in January from the December total of 141,700 tons. Output of refined copper in the United States totalled 56,767 tons in January; sales during the month amounted to 52,663 tons with the result that stocks on hand increased 1,450 tons to 232,865 tons. Production in other countries in January was recorded at 74,617 tons while shipments reached a total of 74,117 tons. The official warehouses of the London Metal Exchange contained 82,638 tons of refined copper and 11,489 tons of rough copper on January 31st as compared with 86,171 tons of the former and 11,608 tons of the latter on hand on December 31st, 1935.

The United States exported 11,598 tons of refined copper in January; in December 19,546 tons were exported. The January exports were consigned to the following countries: France, 3,073 tons; Germany, 1,464 tons; Great Britain, 1,332 tons; Italy, 1,163 tons, and other countries, 4,566 tons.

Electrolytic copper imports into Great Britain in January rose to 12,049 tons from the January, 1935, total of 9,024 tons. Canada supplied 47.7 per cent of the imports during the month under review and 29.1 per cent during the corresponding month of 1935. Other unwrought copper imported in January amounted to 10,622 tons or 29 per cent below the tonnage imported in January, 1935.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January .....	34,289,634	33,480,418	26,443,315
February .....		33,467,044	24,447,295
March .....		37,828,906	30,754,411
April .....		38,847,833	31,661,575
May .....		35,772,440	35,540,350
June .....		35,613,851	27,798,929
July .....		30,965,129	29,456,597
August .....		32,603,557	32,647,984
September .....		33,941,168	27,551,889
October .....		35,434,829	32,888,933
November .....		34,539,762	34,280,777
December .....		36,556,119	31,289,007
TOTAL .....		419,051,056	364,761,062

(a) Subject to revision.





EXPORTS OF COPPER FROM CANADA DURING DECEMBER, 1935, and JANUARY, 1936.

	DECEMBER, 1935		JANUARY, 1936	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc. ....	4,377,400	262,644	2,074,000	124,456
Copper, blister .....	...	...	...	...
Copper in ingots, bars, cakes, slabs and billets .....	21,233,700	1,762,282	16,645,500	1,404,045
Copper in rods, strips, sheets, plates and tubing .....	4,591,300	400,031	462,400	50,850

IMPORTS OF COPPER INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING DECEMBER, 1935, and JANUARY, 1936.

	DECEMBER, 1935		JANUARY, 1936	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
Unwrought, including rough copper of 94% copper content or over - ELECTROLYTIC -				
From - Australia .....	1,120,000	20,000	1,120,000	19,600
Canada .....	15,305,920	274,597	11,484,480	202,549
Other British countries .....	2,013,760	35,925	5,324,480	94,175
Germany .....	6,720	110	...	...
United States .....	5,606,720	99,342	3,086,720	54,014
Chile .....	2,522,240	44,474	2,746,240	48,475
Other Foreign countries .....	...	...	336,000	5,775
TOTAL .....	26,575,360	474,448	24,097,920	424,588
OTHER -				
From - Union of South Africa .....	33,600	596	537,600	9,328
Northern Rhodesia .....	12,425,280	196,228	7,840,000	121,625
Other British countries .....	2,688,000	43,814	2,692,480	42,761
Chile .....	12,996,480	196,898	9,690,240	154,680
Other Foreign countries .....	694,400	12,395	483,840	8,440
TOTAL .....	28,837,760	449,931	21,224,160	336,834
Plates, sheets, discs, circles and strip.	572,096	13,242	659,120	15,683
Rods and sections, angles and shapes and wire not in coils -				
From - Canada .....	4,596,256	88,534	639,408	12,191
Foreign countries .....	...	10	18,032	665
TOTAL .....	4,596,256	88,544	657,440	12,856
Wire in coils (including uninsulated electric wire) .....	2,352	201	110,208	2,859
All other manufactures of copper not elsewhere specified .....	639,968	19,379	695,744	17,253





NICKEL - Canada produced 14,052,702 pounds of nickel in January; during the preceding month 14,998,225 pounds were produced while in January, a year ago, 9,390,437 pounds were produced.

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935(a)	1934
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January .....	14,052,702	9,390,437	9,259,066
February .....		8,790,996	7,261,301
March .....		10,618,462	10,426,462
April .....		11,836,091	12,911,552
May .....		11,330,388	10,023,950
June .....		11,665,507	13,388,307
July .....		10,189,261	10,649,811
August .....		10,869,647	14,257,921
September .....		12,896,865	8,764,513
October .....		13,357,653	8,893,458
November .....		12,144,249	12,147,283
December .....		14,998,225	10,703,716
TOTAL .....		138,087,781	128,687,340

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