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MONTHLY REPORT

COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA, NOVEMBER, 1936.

COPPER - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of copper in November was the highest on record since March, 1935. The November total was 37,031,762 pounds as compared with 34,652,376 pounds in October and 34,524,933 pounds in November, 1935. During the eleven months ending November, Canada produced 377,445,193 pounds of copper; a year ago, 382,456,520 pounds were produced.

Electrolytic copper quotations on the London market in November advanced to an average of 10.56256 cents per pound; in Canadian funds, from the October average of 9.90262 cents per pound. Based on these prices the outputs during these months were worth \$3,911,502 and \$3,431,493, respectively.

The world production of refined copper in November amounted to 159,426 tons as against 150,671 tons in the preceding month. Production in the United States in November totalled 70,352 tons; in October, 72,895 tons were produced. Stocks of refined copper in the United States declined 6,727 tons during November to 171,291 tons. Countries other than the United States produced 89,074 tons in November or 14.5 per cent above the October total, as a result of this, stocks increased 2,963 tons during the month to 191,967 tons. The London Metal Exchange official warehouses contained 50,100 tons of refined copper and 859 tons of rough copper on November 28th as compared with 53,239 tons of the former and 1,501 tons of the latter on hand on October 31st.

Great Britain imported 166,737 tons of electrolytic copper during the eleven months ending November, 1936; in the corresponding period of the preceding year 157,924 tons were imported. The 1936 importations were obtained from the following sources: Canada, 59.1 per cent; other British countries, 13.1 per cent; the United States, 16.5 per cent; Chile, 10.8 per cent, and other foreign countries, 0.5 per cent. Imports of other unwrought copper during the period totalled 125,292 tons of which Northern Rhodesia supplied 39.7 per cent and Chile, 42.4 per cent.

The United States exported 20,121 tons of refined copper in November; during the preceding month, 24,615 tons were exported. The November exports consisted of 5,108 tons to France, 3,769 tons to Great Britain, 2,444 tons to Japan, 2,362 tons to Germany, 2,120 tons to Italy, 1,434 tons to Sweden, 1,223 tons to Belgium, and 1,661 tons to other countries.

It was officially announced in the London Metal Bulletin that producers in the world control scheme had decided, on November 5th, upon a further 10 per cent increase in production. Output quotas are therefore raised to 105 per cent of their standard tonnages.

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934	
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	
January	34,289,634	33,472,667	26,443,315	
February	32,911,842	33,466,366	24,447,295	
March	36,478,815	37,832,255	30,754,411	
April	35,491,618	38,848,907	31,661,575	
May	35,044,332	35,779,084	35,540,350	
June	31,421,070	35,623,079	27,798,929	
July	28,579,506	30,966,804	29,456,597	
August	35,388,972	32,593,815	32,647,984	
September	36,155,266	33,927,147	27,551,889	
October	34,652,376	35,421,463	32,888,933	
November	37,031,762	34,524,933	34,280,777	
December		36,541,180	31,289,007	
TOTAL - Calendar Year		418,997,700	364,761,062	
TOTAL - ELEVEN MONTHS ending NOVEMBER	377,445,193	382,456,520	333,472,055	
(a) Subject to revision.				

		OCTOBER		NOVEMBER	
		Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Copper in ore, n	matte, regulus, etc	2,507,800	175,546	5,024,700	351,729
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	atrina charte platas and	34,485,500	3,137,106	26,858,100	2,529,15
	strips, sheets, plates and	5,915,600	588,386	5,604,900	574,606
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IMPORTS	OF COPPER INTO GREAT BRITA	AIN DURING OCTOBER AND NO OCTOBER		OVEMBER, 1936.	
		Pounds	£	Pounds	3.
	stralia	672,000		896,000	17,950
	ada	18,630,080	363,874	23,094,400	477,517
	mer British countries	3,357,760	65,807	2,495,360	51,019
	many	7	***	112,000	2,488
	ted States	6,959,680	139,002	5,949,440	121,987
	ile	729,000	14,466	7,963,200	156,026
Oth	mer Foreign countries	70 745 500	500 300	112,000	2,475
OTHERD	TOTAL	30,347,520	596,126	40,622,400	829,462
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	ion of South Africa	728,000	13,551	280,000	5,569
	thern Rhodesia	12,438,720	233,476	6,440,000	126,583
	mer British countries	5,243,840	94,745	2,246,720	42,338
	le	10,192,000	190,375	13,104,000	261,973
0.01	ner Foreign countries	302,400 28,904,960	5,664 537,811	22,070,720	436,465
77	TOTAL				
Plates, sheets,	discs, circles and strip .	422,688	12,308	589,680	15,421

58,386

59,109

4,501

723

14,896

179,312

466,704 14,484

2,798,656

4,633,328 100,357

434

3,841

17,043

14,224 4,647,552

147,840

557,088

Rods and sections, angles and shapes and

Wire in coils (including uninsulated

All other manufactures of copper not

electric wire)

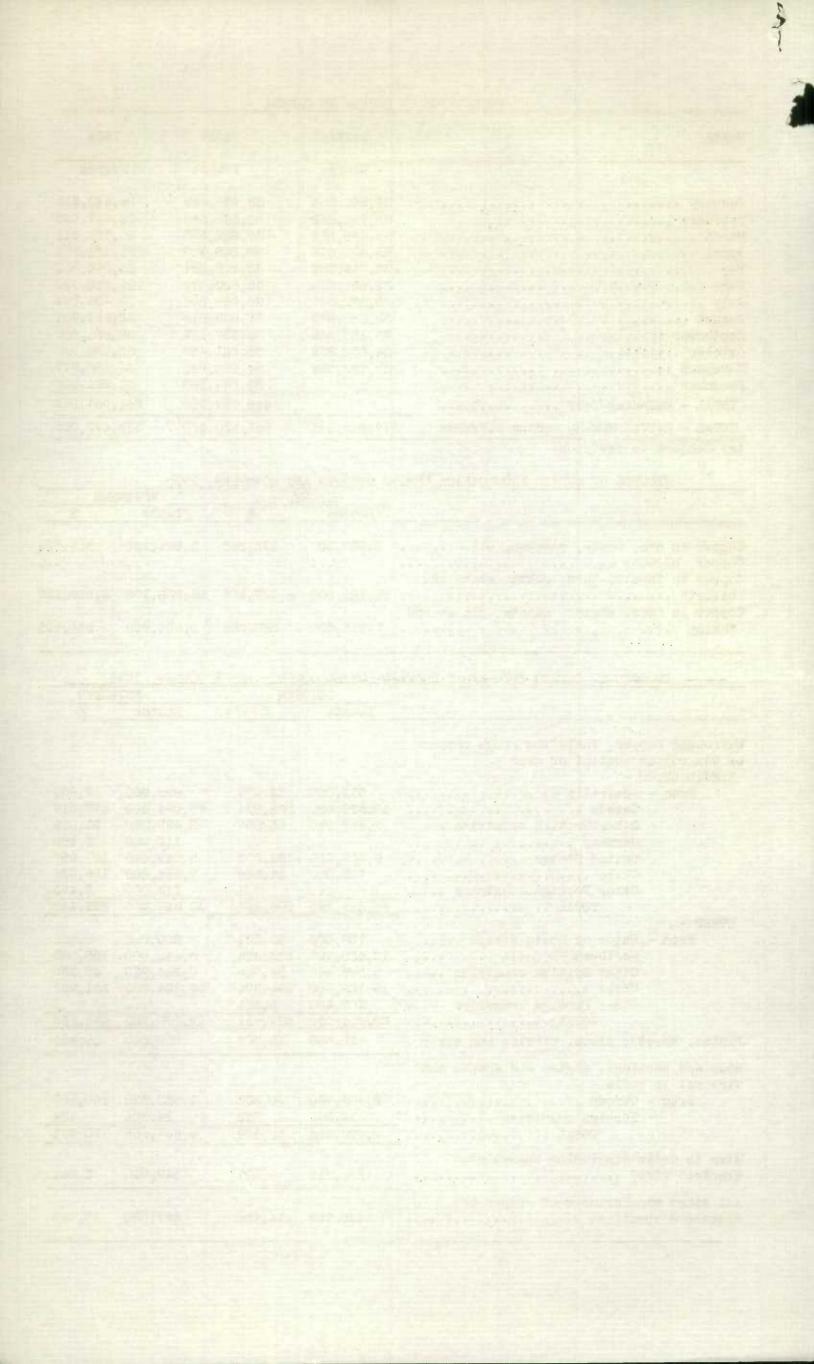
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From - Canada 2,783,760

TOTAL

Foreign countries

wire not in coils -



NICKEL - Nickel production in Canada during November amounted to 15,055,755 pounds as against 12,741,986 pounds in October and 12,181,930 pounds in November, 1935. Output during the eleven months ending November totalled 151,366,866 pounds; in the corresponding months of 1935 the production was 123,471,478 pounds.

An extract from a review of the nickel industry in 1936, published by Mr. Robert C. Stanley, President of the International Nickel Company of Canada, Ltd., follows:-

"Because of the increase which has been steadily maintained in the demand for nickel since the low point in 1932, important additions to productive capacity were made during the year in Canada, the United Kingdom, the United States and elsewhere. These additions, which both effected a better balance in production processes and added to potential output, provide the industry with the reserve capacity to maintain prompt deliveries under any conditions which can reasonably be anticipated. They affect the mines, smelters, refineries and merchant mills.

"World consumption of nickel in all forms during the first ten months of this year attained a total of some 162,000,000 pounds, an increase of more than 20 per cent over the corresponding figure in 1935 which had established a new record for the industry. This current consumption compares with 112,000,000 pounds in the first ten months of 1929.

"Whereas a factor in the 1935 increase in consumption was the policy of industry to build its stocks back to normal in anticipation of better business, analysis of world consumption indicates that the replenishment of reserves had been generally accomplished by the end of 1935 and that nickel has been going this year directly into an industrial world whose production is moving at a definitely accelerated pace.

"Indicative of this trend is the increase in number and volume of sales through retail channels in the United States and Canada. Business through American warehouses is expected to total 16,000,000 pounds, or roughly one-fifth of the country's consumption of nickel in all forms and through all channels of distribution."

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA

Month	1936(a)	1935	1934	
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	
January	14,052,702	9,419,574	9,259,066	
Pebruary	16,151,374	8,818,273	7,261,301	
March	15,666,457	10,651,409	10,426,462	
April	11,018,947	11,872,816	12,911,552	
May	11,815,188	11,365,544	10,023,950	
une	14,070,491	11,701,703	13,388,307	
uly	12,569,576	10,220,876	10,649,811	
lugust	12,352,757	10,903,373	14,257,921	
September	15,871,633	12,936,881	8,764,513	
October	12,741,986	13,399,099	8,893,458	
November	15,055,755	12,181,930	12,147,283	
December		15,044,762	10,703,716	
TOTAL - Calendar Year		138,516,240	128,687,340	
TOTAL - ELEVEN MONTHS ending NOVEMBER.	151,366,866	123,471,478	117,983,624	

⁽a) Subject to revision.

