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MONTHLY REPORT

COPPER and NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CAMADA - April, 1939

COPPER - Copper production in Canada during April amounted to 49,759,762 pounds compared with 52,055,065 pounds in the preceding month and 47,750,255 pounds in April, 1938, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. During the first four months of 1939, Canada produced 191,290,651 pounds of copper; in the corresponding months of 1938, production totalled 195,129,628 pounds.

quotations for copper on the London market in April averaged 10.045 cents per pound, in Canadian funds; valued at this price, the month's output in Canada was worth \$4,998,368. The March average price was 10.041 cents per pound and the value of the production during the month was \$5,226,849.

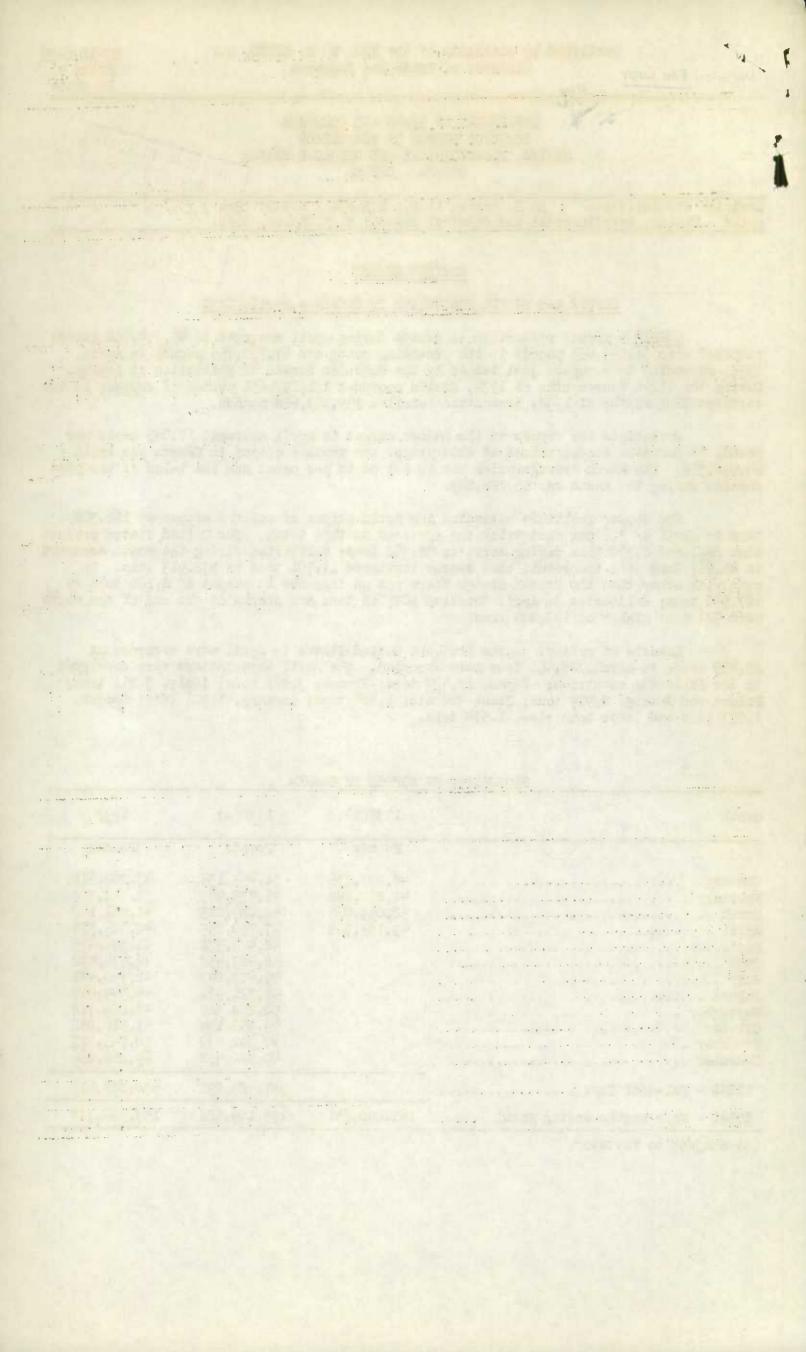
The Copper Institute estimated the world output of refined copper at 166,308 tons in April or 3,6 per cent below the previous month's total. The United States production declined 8,350 tons during April to 58,368 tons; deliveries during the month amounted to 46,667 tons with the result that stocks increased 11,701 tons to 332,513 tons. In countries other than the United States there was an increase in output of 2,160 tons to 107,940 tons; deliveries in April totalled 107,011 tons and stocks at the end of the month were 929 tons higher at 190,209 tons.

Exports of refined copper from the United States in April were recorded at 25,466 tons; in March, 25,461 tons were exported. The April exportations were consigned to the following countries: Japan, 10,639 tons; France, 3,268 tons; Italy, 3,261 tons; Poland and Danzig, 2,929 tons; Great Britain, 1,402 tons; Germany, 1,306 tons; Sweden, 1,087 tons and other countries, 1,574 tons.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA

Month	19 3 9(a)	1938(a)	1937
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January February March April May June July August September October November December	48,257,536 41,218,288 52,055,065 49,759,762		37,284,612 38,442,389 41,811,140 42,026,576 41,594,475 42,574,992 41,750,471 44,549,447 48,063,788 51,915,082 50,746,377 49,269,266
TOTAL - Calendar Year		587,485,991	530,028,615
TOTAL - Four Months ending April	191,290,651	195,129,628	159,564,717

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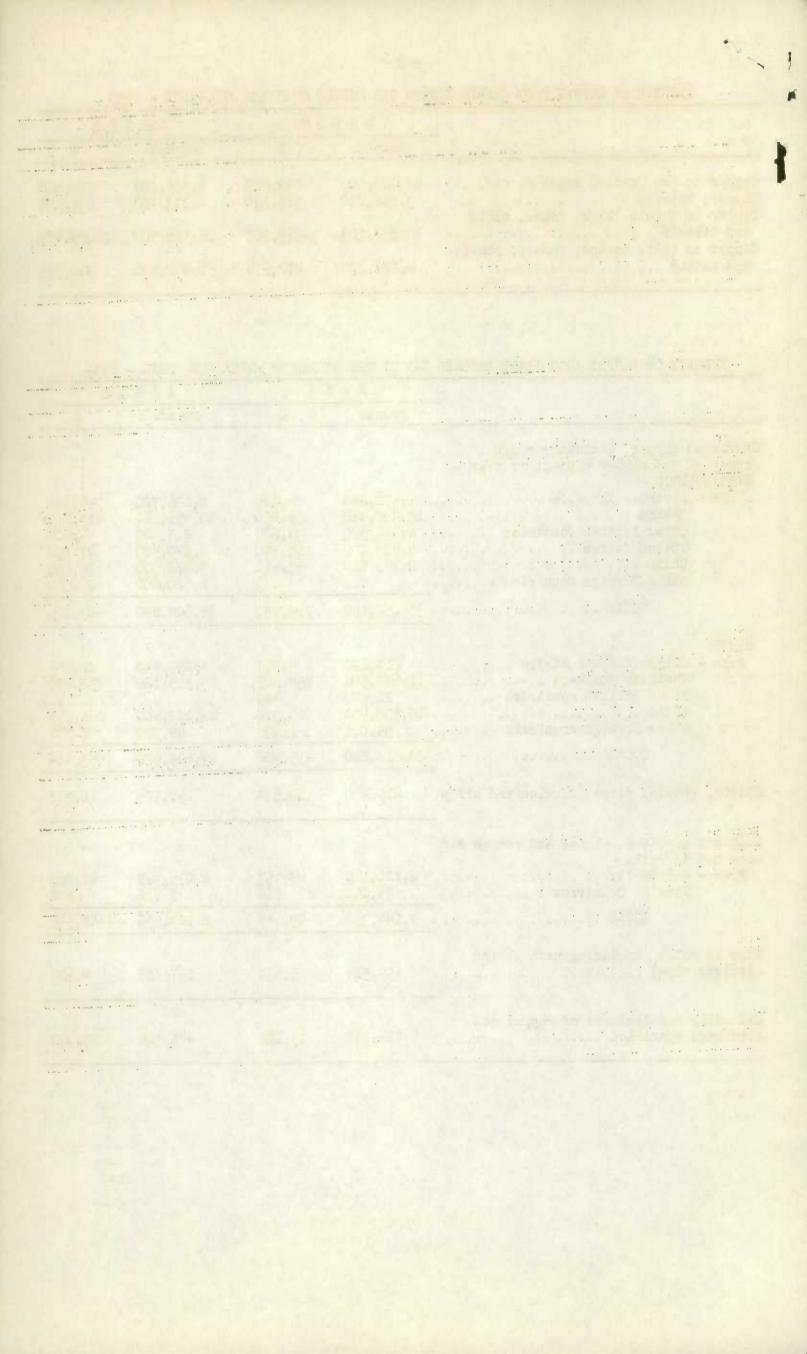


EXPORTS OF COPPER FROM CANADA DURING THE MONTHS OF MARCH AND APRIL - 1939

	MARCH		APRIL	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc Copper, blister	12,728,300 3,246,000	890,982 326,750	8,551,200 2,393,900	598,584 239,401
and billets	36,818,300	3,665,807	26,118,900	2,609,470
and tubing	4,186,200	472,674	2,840,400	320,678

IMPORTS OF COPPER INTO GREAT BRITAIN DURING THE MONTHS OF MARCH AND APRIL - 1939

	MARCH		APRIL	
	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
Unwrought copper, including rough copper of 94% copper content or over - ELECTROLYTIC -				
From - Northern Rhodesia Canada Other British Countries United States Chile Other Foreign Countries	25,408,320 1,641,920 4,883,200 2,746,240	34,024 551,290 34,895 105,720 59,811	2,246,720 19,456,640 224,000 2,179,520 3,472,000 1,120,000	49,138 423,570 4,600 47,162 76,635 24,500
TOTAL	36,252,160	785,740	28,698,880	625,605
OTHER -				
From - Union of South Africa	11,692,800 22,400 10,830,400	4,578 234,627 489 214,378 1,236	1,077,440 13,525,120 13,182,400 64,960	22,589 268,495 261,269 1,101
TOTAL	22,818,880	455,308	27,849,920	553,454
Plates, sheets, discs, circles and strip.	419,440	12,644	267,904	10,328
Rods and sections, angles and shapes and wire not in coils -				
From - Canada	2,120,160 24,192	48,153	2,095,968	47,923
TOTAL	2,144,352	49,115	2,103,696	48,545
Wire in coils (including uninsulated electric wire)	199,584	5,550	167,888	4,609
All other manufactures of copper not elsewhere specified	522,368	19,126	471,520	17,942



MICKEL - The Canadian output of nickel rose to 18,443,625 pounds in April from the March total of 17,901,536 pounds. In April, 1938, Canada produced 20,469,463 pounds. Output during the first four months of the current year totalled 68,451,544 pounds as against 74,047,054 pounds, a year ago.

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938(a)	1937	
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	
January February March April May June July August September October November December	14,611,017 17,495,366 17,901,536 18,443,625	20,270,680 16,008,523 17,298,398 20,469,463 18,620,908 16,327,169 17,404,131 16,548,872 16,914,931 16,101,779 17,681,983 16,618,010	16,176,933 17,407,519 18,197,518 20,271,203 18,466,323 20,964,202 15,795,714 20,666,636 19,026,072 18,495,529 19,737,320 19,700,077	
TOTAL - Calendar Year		210,264,847	224,905,046	
TOTAL - Four Months ending April	68,451,544	74,047,064	72,053,173	

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	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
Copper ore (including regulus and matte), precipitate and cement copper and NICKEL ORE, CONCENTRATES AND MATTE -				
From - Canada		365,000	4,202,240	155,500
Other British countries Foreign countries			2,240	268
TOTAL	9,770,880	365,000	4,305,280	155,782
Nickel - Unwrought in ingots, cathodes, cubes, rondels, pellets, shot, grain and powder; and nickel flakes - From - Canada	2,185,904 579,824 155,008 2,920,736	174,545 44,128 11,756 230,429	561,008 478,016 5,712	45,076 36,812 888 82,776
Other descriptions of nickel and nickel				
alloys	299,040	28,604	774,816	70,921



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