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MONTHLY REPORT

COPPER and NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA - SEPTEMBER, 1939.

COPPER - The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of copper in September amounted to 50,698,464 pounds compared with 54,039,671 pounds in August and 48,784,733 pounds in September, 1938. Production during the nine months ending September aggregated 451,410,179 pounds or 5.3 per cent above the total for the corresponding months of 1938.

Copper quotations on the London market in September averaged 10.006 cents per pounds, in Canadian funds; based on this price, the month's output in Canada was worth \$5,072,888. In August, the average price was 10.418 cents per pound and the value of the production during the month was \$5,629,853. Maximum prices for copper (per long ton) fixed by the Ministry of Supply in Great Britain were as follows:

Rough, unwrought in blocks, slabs or other forms	£ 46 in warehouse.
Refined, unwrought	£ 49 10s in warehouse.
Electrolytic, unwrought	£ 51 c.i.f. U.K. ports
Billets	£ 55 c.i.f. U.K. ports
Cakes	£ 51 12s 6d U.K. ports
Cathodes	£ 50 10s U.K. ports.
Wire rods	£ 55 d/d consumers' premises.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January	47,305,038	50,991,564	37,284,612
February	40,267,537	45,488,835	38,442,389
March	51,019,039	46,741,495	41,811,140
April	48,881,357	46,395,946	42,026,576
May	54,413,759	47,077,234	41,594,475
June	54,581,869	47,206,534	42,574,992
July	50,203,445	48,271,652	41,750,471
August	54,039,671	47,917,545	44,549,447
September	50,698,464	48,784,733	48,063,788
October		47,973,400	51,915,082
November		46,164,616	50,746,377
December		48,236,110	49,269,266
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		571,249,664	530,028,615
TOTAL - NINE MONTHS ending SEPTEMBER	451,410,179	428,875,538	378,097,890

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EXPORTS OF COPPER FROM CANADA DURING THE MONTHS OF AUGUST and SEPTEMBER, 1939.

	AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
	Pounds	\$	Pounds	\$
Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc. ...	12,324,900	862,743	9,474,100	663,187
Copper, blister	2,763,700	276,417	2,036,100	203,606
Copper in ingots, bars, cakes, slabs and billets	22,278,700	2,259,394	30,174,800	3,088,127
Copper in rods, strips, sheets, plates and tubing	8,329,200	894,710	5,146,900	580,502

NICKEL - Nickel production in Canada during September rose to 20,275,866 pounds from the August total of 20,123,078 pounds and the September, 1938 output of 16,939,700 pounds. During the nine months ending September, Canada produced 170,361,711 pounds of nickel; this represented an increase of 6.4 per cent over the output a year ago.

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January	14,774,985	20,300,362	16,176,933
February	17,495,366	16,031,964	17,407,519
March	17,901,536	17,323,728	18,197,518
April	18,443,625	20,499,436	20,271,203
May	21,595,362	18,648,174	18,466,323
June	20,103,880	16,351,077	20,964,202
July	19,648,013	17,429,616	15,795,714
August	20,123,078	16,573,105	20,666,636
September	20,275,866	16,939,700	19,026,072
October		16,125,357	18,495,529
November		17,707,875	19,737,320
December		16,642,344	19,700,077
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		210,572,738	224,905,046
TOTAL - NINE MONTHS ending September	170,361,711	160,097,162	166,972,120

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