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## MONTHLY REPORT

## GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - DECEMBER, 1935.

Gold production in Canada during December was recorded at 307,326 ounces, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In November 293,160 ounces were produced while in December, 1934, the output was 261,938 ounces. During the calendar year 1935 Canada produced 3,280,470 ounces; this represented an increase of 10.4 per cent over the 1934 total of 2,972,074 ounces.

Ontario's output in December rose to 205,017 ounces from the preceding month's total of 189,335 ounces. Gold mining companies in Ontario treated 593,614 tons of ore in December as compared with 605,285 tons in November and 558,907 tons in December, 1934.

Production from Quebec sources totalled 48,257 ounces in December; the November output was slightly lower at 47,383 ounces.

An increase of 9 per cent was recorded in British Columbia's production of gold in December when 39,394 ounces were extracted as against 36,128 ounces in the previous month.

The Manitoba and Saskatchewan output showed little change in December and amounted to 13,613 ounces compared with 13,939 ounces in November.

The Yukon production of placer gold in December declined to 53 ounces from the November total of 5,202 ounces and the December, 1934, output of 1,516 ounces.

Jewellery and scrap receipts at the Royal Canadian Mint in December contained 2,963 ounces of gold. The total gold content of these receipts at the Mint during the year was 61.6 per cent below the 1934 total; the comparative quantities were 44,932 ounces and 116,862 ounces, respectively.

Gold averaged \$35.33 per ounce on the New York market, in Canadian funds, during December, at which price the Canadian output during the month was worth \$10,857,828. The November average price was \$35.37 and the value of the month's output was \$10,369,069.

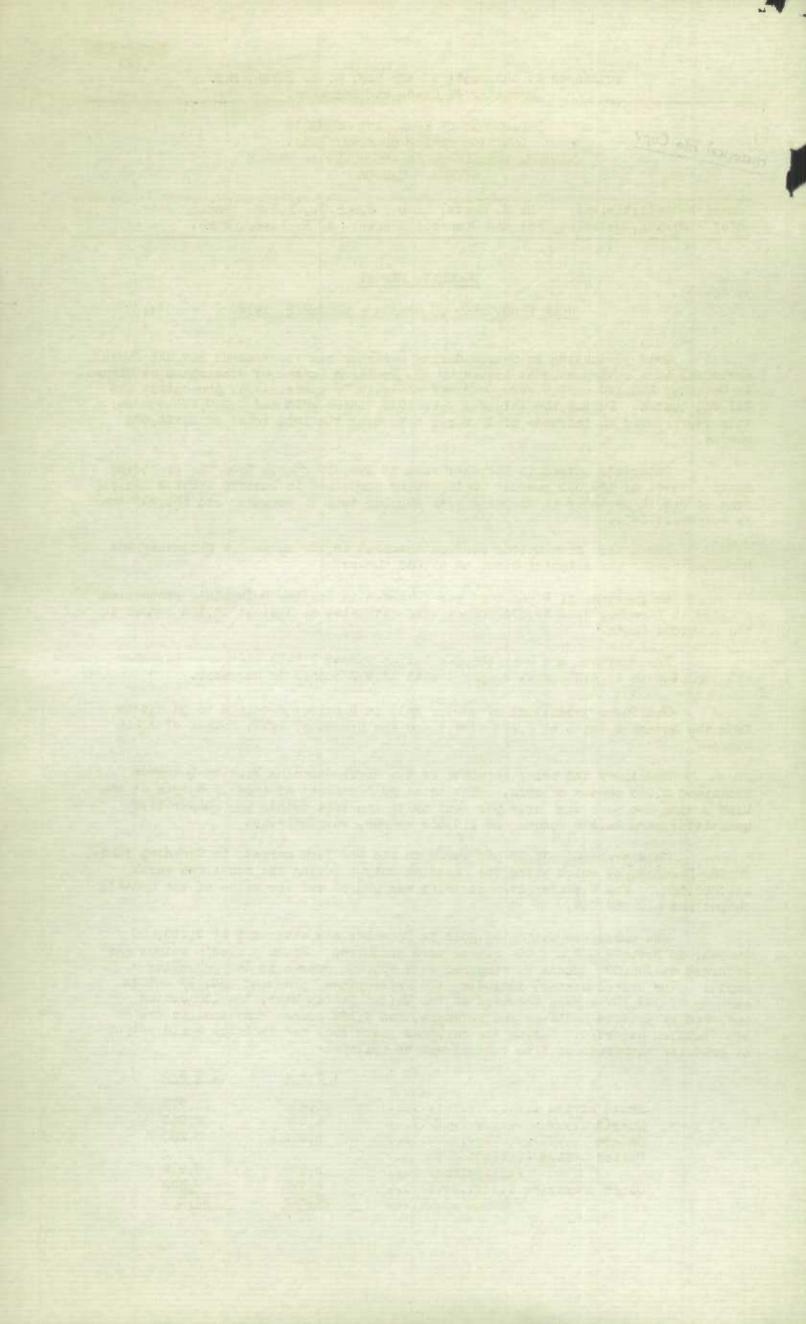
The world production of gold in December was estimated at 2,628,000 ounces; in November, 2,534,000 ounces were produced. South Africa's output was recorded at 906,000 ounces as compared with 905,000 ounces in the preceding month. The United States, including the Philippines, produced 382,119 ounces made up of 193,107 ounces received at the United States Mint, 184,150 ounces received by private smelters and refiners, and 4,862 ounces contained in ore or base bullion exported. During the calendar years 1934 and 1935 the world output of gold (in thousands of fine ounces) was as follows:-

	1934	1935
South Africa Russia Canada	10,480 4,200 2,972	10,770 4,200 3,280
United States (including the Philippines) Other countries TOTAL	2,916 6,778 27,346	3,619 7,332 29,201

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It will be noted in the foregoing table that in the absence of precise information the Russian output in 1935 was estimated at the same rate as in 1934. According to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics the Russian total for 1935 will be much larger than for 1934; probably in the neighbourhood of 5.500,000 ounces.

lonth	1935(a)	1934	1933
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
anuary	238,651	231,804	234,359
bruary	229,340	223,753	229,145
larch	249,479	250,653	261,197
pril	245,697	229,735	237,970
ley	269,238	261,125	238,603
une	285,772	240,279	262,460
uly	285,372	246,145	256,663
ugust	294,361	265,560	257,607
eptumber	280,362	244,777	236,526
ctober	301.712	265,709	244,212
ovember	293,160	250,596	241,928
December		261,938	248,639
TOTAL	3,280,470	2,972,074	2,949,309

(a) Subject to revision.

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GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA DURING 1935, BY MONTHS

Month	(x) OUTPUT Cunces	Average value per cunce in Canadian funds	TOTAL VALUE(x)
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January February March April May June July August	245,697 269,238 285,772 285,372 294,361	34.95 35.05 35.40 35.17 34.95 35.05 35.08 35.09	8,340,852 8,038,367 8,831,557 8,641,164 9,409,868 10,016,309 10,010,850 10,329,127
Septembor October November December TOTAL - Calendar Year	30],712 293,160 307,326	35.28 35.49 35.37 35.33	9,891,171 10,707,759 10,369,069 10,857,828 115,443,920

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