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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - MARCH, 1936.

Gold production in Canada during March advanced to 299,102 ounces from the February output of 266,422 ounces and the March, 1935, total of 249,479 ounces, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Output during the first quarter of 1936 totalled 843,078 ounces; this represented a 17.5 per cent increase over the production in the corresponding period of 1935.

Ontario's output rose to 196,678 ounces in March; the month's production included 85,336 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area, 79,950 ounces from the Porcupine camp and 31,392 ounces from other sources. In February the Kirkland Lake area produced 76,847 ounces, the Porcupine camp, 74,965 ounces and other sources, 28,543 ounces. The March total includes the first production figures received for 1936 from the Omega Gold Mines, Ltd.

Operators in Quebec produced 54,953 ounces in March as compared with 46,306 ounces extracted in February. The Shawkey Gold Mining Company, Limited, reported production for the first time, in February.

A 25.4 per cent increase was recorded in British Columbia's output of gold in March; the month's total was 32,610 ounces as against 26,003 ounces in February.

The gold output in Manitoba and Saskatchewan rose to 13,773 ounces from the preceding month's production of 12,607 ounces.

In March, Nova Scotia producers shipped 783 ounces of gold to the Royal Canadian Mint; in the previous month 751 ounces were shipped to the Mint.

Jewellery and scrap receipts at the Royal Canadian Mint in March contained 1,946 ounces of gold. The gold content of these receipts during the first quarter of 1936 was 8,194 ounces.

The average price of gold in March was \$35.11 per ounce; valued at this price the Canadian output during the month was worth \$10,501,471. In February gold averaged \$35.18 per ounce and the month's output was worth \$9,372,726.

The American Bureau of Metal Statistics estimates the world production of gold in March at 2,684,000 ounces as compared with 2,584,000 ounces in the preceding month. An advance of 4.4 per cent was recorded in the South African output; the March total was 933,000 ounces and the February production, 894,000 ounces. The United States (including the Philippines) produced 313,404 ounces in March, made up of 156,435 ounces received at the Mint, 153,699 ounces received at private smelters, and refiners, and 3,270 ounces contained in exports of ore and base bullion.

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PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1936 (a)	1935 (a)	1934
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January	277,554	238,651	231,804
February	266,422	229,340	223,753
March	299,102	249,479	250,653
April		245,697	229,735
May		269,238	261,125
June		285,772	240,279
July		285,372	246,145
August		294,361	265,560
September		280,362	244,777
October		301,712	265,709
November		293,160	250,596
December		307,326	261,938
TOTAL - Calendar Year		3,280,470	2,972,074
TOTAL - Three months ending MARCH	843,078	717,470	706,210

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