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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - AUGUST, 1937.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa reports that the Canadian output of gold in August rose to 343,451 ounces from the July production of 347,474 ounces and the August, 1936, total of 330,502 ounces. During the eight months ending August, 1937, Canada produced 2,669,176 ounces or 10 per cent above the output in the corresponding period of 1936.

Ontario producers reported an output of 217,503 ounces in August of which 95,107 ounces came from the Porcupine camp, 80,383 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area, and 41,513 ounces from other sources. During July, the Porcupine camp produced 95,237 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area, 85,517 ounces, and other sources, 39,180 ounces.

The production of gold from Quebec ores in August amounted to 56,642 ounces as compared with 58,785 ounces in the preceding month. Despite this slight decline in production during August, Quebec's output during the first eight months of this year was 4.4 per cent above the quantity produced a year ago; the totals were 455,893 ounces and 436,880 ounces, respectively.

An advance of 4.3 per cent was recorded in British Columbia's gold output in August when 45,290 ounces were extracted as against 43,436 ounces in July.

Gold production in Manitoba and Saskatchewan has shown little variation during the past three months; in August, 20,327 ounces were produced while in the previous month the output was 20,141 ounces and in June, 20,752 ounces were produced.

The Yukon alluvial and lode gold production in August reached a total of 7,002 ounces; in July, the output totalled 6,417 ounces.

Nova Scotia operators shipped 1,686 ounces of gold to the Royal Canadian Mint in August as compared with 1,458 ounces in July and 679 ounces in August, 1936.

The average price of gold on the New York market during the month under review was \$35.00 per ounce, in Canadian funds; valued at this price the Canadian output in August was worth \$12,195,785. In July, gold averaged \$35.05 per ounce and the value of the month's production was \$12,178,964.

In addition to receipts of new gold, the Royal Canadian Mint received in August jewellery and scrap containing 1,379 ounces of gold, thus making the total gold content of these receipts during the current year, 16,544 ounces.

The world production of gold in August advanced to 3,242,000 ounces from the July total of 3,157,000 ounces, according to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics. Output during the eight months ending August aggregated 24,492,000 ounces; this represented an increase of 11.9 per cent over the total for the corresponding months of 1936. South Africa's production was recorded at 987,000 ounces as against 997,000 ounces in July. The United States, including the Philippines, produced 518,290 ounces, made up of Mint receipts, 320,992 ounces, receipts at private smelters and refiners, 192,812 ounces, and the gold content of ores and base bullion exported, 4,485 ounces.

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PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1937(a)	1936	1935
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January February March April May June July August September October November December	328,545 310,074 326,275 323,337 340,125 344,895 347,474 348,451	278,975 267,639 300,496 300,616 309,890 318,092 321,107 330,502 332,435 335,683 320,835 331,758	238,974 229,637 249,665 245,963 269,595 286,093 285,763 295,896 281,533 300,866 293,317 307,588
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		3,748,028	3,284,890
TOTAL - EIGHT MONTHS ending AUGUST	2,669,176	2,427,317	2,101,586

<sup>(</sup>a) Subject to revision.

