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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JANUARY, 1938.

The Canadian output of gold during January, 1938, totalled 361,086 ounces, according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottava. In December, 361,671 ounces were produced while in January, 1937, the production amounted to 328,545 ounces.

Ontario operators reported an output of 222,867 ounces in January, made up of 99,948 ounces from the Porcupine camp, 82,868 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area, and 40,053 ounces from other sources. During December the Porcupine camp produced 96,259 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area, 87,976 ounces, and other sources, 45,327 ounces.

Production in Quebec rose 13 per cent to 76,865 ounces from the previous month's total of 68,032 ounces. During January, 1937, the Quebec output was 61,173 ounces.

British Columbia's production amounted to 40,684 ounces; in December, 43,044 ounces were produced and in January, 1937, the output was 38,132 ounces.

In Manitoba and Saskatchevan gold production was recorded at 18,110 ounces compared with 17,008 ounces in the preceding month and 13,707 ounces in January, 1937.

Nova Scotia operators shipped 2,118 ounces to the Royal Canadian Mint in January; during December, 1,948 ounces were shipped while in January, a year ago, shipments totalled 1,121 ounces.

Alluvial gold production in the Yukon in January was reported at 442 ounces; a year ago, 223 ounces were produced.

In January gold averaged \$34.90 per ounce on the London market in Canadian funds; valued at this price the Canadian output during the month was worth \$12,501,901. The December average price was \$34.93 per ounce and the value of the month's production was \$12,633,168.

The Royal Canadian Mint received, in January, jewellery and scrap containing 1,304 ounces of gold; in the corresponding month of 1937 these receipts contained 2,433 ounces of gold.

According to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics the world output of gold (exclusive of Russia) was estimated at 2,494,000 ounces; the December production was higher at 2,534,000 ounces. South Africa's output amounted to 988,000 ounces compared with 991,000 ounces in December. Production in the United States aggregated 360,501 ounces and consisted of 208,407 ounces received at the United States Mint, 150,161 ounces at private smelters and refiners, and 1,933 ounces contained in one and base bullion exported.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1938(a)	1937(a)	1936
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January February March April May June July August September October November December	361,086	528,545 510,074 526,275 523,337 540,125 544,895 347,474 548,451 348,109 558,836 552,829 361,671	278,975 267,639 300,496 300,616 309,800 318,092 321,107 330,502 332,435 325,683 320,335 331,758
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,090,621	3,748,028

⁽a) Subject to revision.

