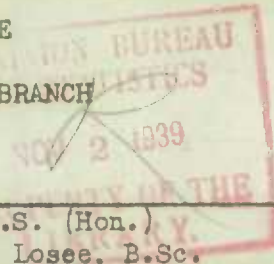


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MONTHLY REPORT

GOLD PRODUCTION IN CANADA - AUGUST, 1939.

The Canadian output of gold in August rose to 449,207 ounces from the July total of 440,065 ounces according to a report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. Production during the eight months ending August aggregated 3,381,717 ounces compared with 3,056,072 ounces, a year ago.

Ontario operators reported an output of 265,825 ounces in August made up of 108,454 ounces from the Porcupine field, 93,555 ounces from the Kirkland Lake area and 63,816 ounces from other sources. In July, the Porcupine field produced 109,150 ounces, the Kirkland Lake area, 90,440 ounces and other fields, 61,330 ounces.

Quebec produced 81,665 ounces of gold in August compared with 74,877 ounces in the preceding month. During the first eight months of the current year the Quebec production totalled 640,965 ounces or 13.1 per cent above the output in the corresponding period of 1938.

The British Columbia production in August amounted to 55,454 ounces; in July, 56,975 ounces were produced while during 1939 to date the output totalled 425,437 ounces.

The output in Manitoba and Saskatchewan was recorded at 22,712 ounces as against 22,357 ounces in July. Production in these two provinces aggregated 168,664 ounces during the first eight months of 1939.

Alluvial and lode gold production in the Yukon and the lode gold output in the Northwest Territories amounted to 20,620 ounces; this represented a decline of 9.2 per cent from the July total.

Shipments of gold by Nova Scotia operators to the Royal Canadian Mint in August were recorded at 2,889 ounces; in July, 2,029 ounces were shipped.

The average price of gold in August was \$35.009 per ounce, in Canadian funds; based on this price the month's output in Canada was worth \$15,726,288. The July average price was \$35.064 per ounce and the value of the production during the month was \$15,430,439.

The gold content of jewellery and scrap received at the Royal Canadian Mint in August was 775 ounces. Receipts during the eight months ending August contained 8,668 ounces of gold.

According to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics the world output of gold in August, exclusive of Russia, was 2,952,000 ounces or 1.4 per cent above the preceding month's total. The South African output advanced to 1,102,000 ounces from the July total of 1,081,000 ounces. In the United States production rose to 479,872 ounces and consisted of 282,130 ounces received at the United States Mint, 197,354 ounces received at private smelters and refiners and 388 ounces contained in ore and base bullion exported.

THE CANADIAN PATENT ACT
LA LOI CANADIENNE SUR LES BREVETS

ARTICLE 2

DEFINITIONS

2. In this Act, "patent" means a patent granted under this Act, and "patentee" means the person to whom a patent is granted or to whom the right to a patent is assigned.

2.1 In this Act, "invention" means any new and original technical solution to a technical problem, whether or not it is a product, a process, a method, a machine, a composition of matter, or a use of a known product, process, method, machine, or composition of matter.

2.2 In this Act, "prior art" means any information relating to a technical solution to a technical problem that is available to the public before the date of filing of a patent application.

2.3 In this Act, "inventor" means the person who has conceived the invention, and "applicant" means the person who has filed a patent application.

2.4 In this Act, "inventive step" means a step that is not obvious to a person skilled in the art, having regard to the prior art.

2.5 In this Act, "person skilled in the art" means a person who is qualified by his or her education, training, and experience to carry out technical work in the field of the invention.

2.6 In this Act, "obviousness" means the quality of being readily apparent to a person skilled in the art, having regard to the prior art.

2.7 In this Act, "technical solution" means a solution to a technical problem that is based on technical knowledge and is capable of being put into practice.

2.8 In this Act, "technical problem" means a problem that is solved by a technical solution and that is based on technical knowledge.

2.9 In this Act, "technical knowledge" means any information relating to a technical solution to a technical problem that is available to the public before the date of filing of a patent application.

The world output of gold (exclusive of Russia), in thousands of fine ounces, during the eight months ending August, 1938 and 1939, was as follows:-

	<u>1939</u>	<u>1938</u>
South Africa	8,437	8,032
Canada	3,382	3,056
United States (including the Philippines)	3,434	3,095
Other countries	7,049	6,607
TOTAL	22,302	20,790

PRODUCTION OF GOLD IN CANADA

Month	1939(a)	1938	1937
	Ounces	Ounces	Ounces
January	411,328	361,552	329,023
February	390,963	340,536	310,485
March	414,217	374,150	326,738
April	406,795	368,962	323,885
May	432,359	381,659	340,498
June	436,783	393,211	345,359
July	440,065	419,685	347,716
August	449,207	416,317	349,108
September .....	....	408,326	348,528
October .....	....	412,841	359,395
November .....	....	412,707	353,281
December .....	....	435,171	362,197
TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR		4,725,117	4,096,213
TOTAL - EIGHT MONTHS ending August	3,381,717	3,056,072	2,672,812

(a) Subject to revision.



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