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SALT, 1931.

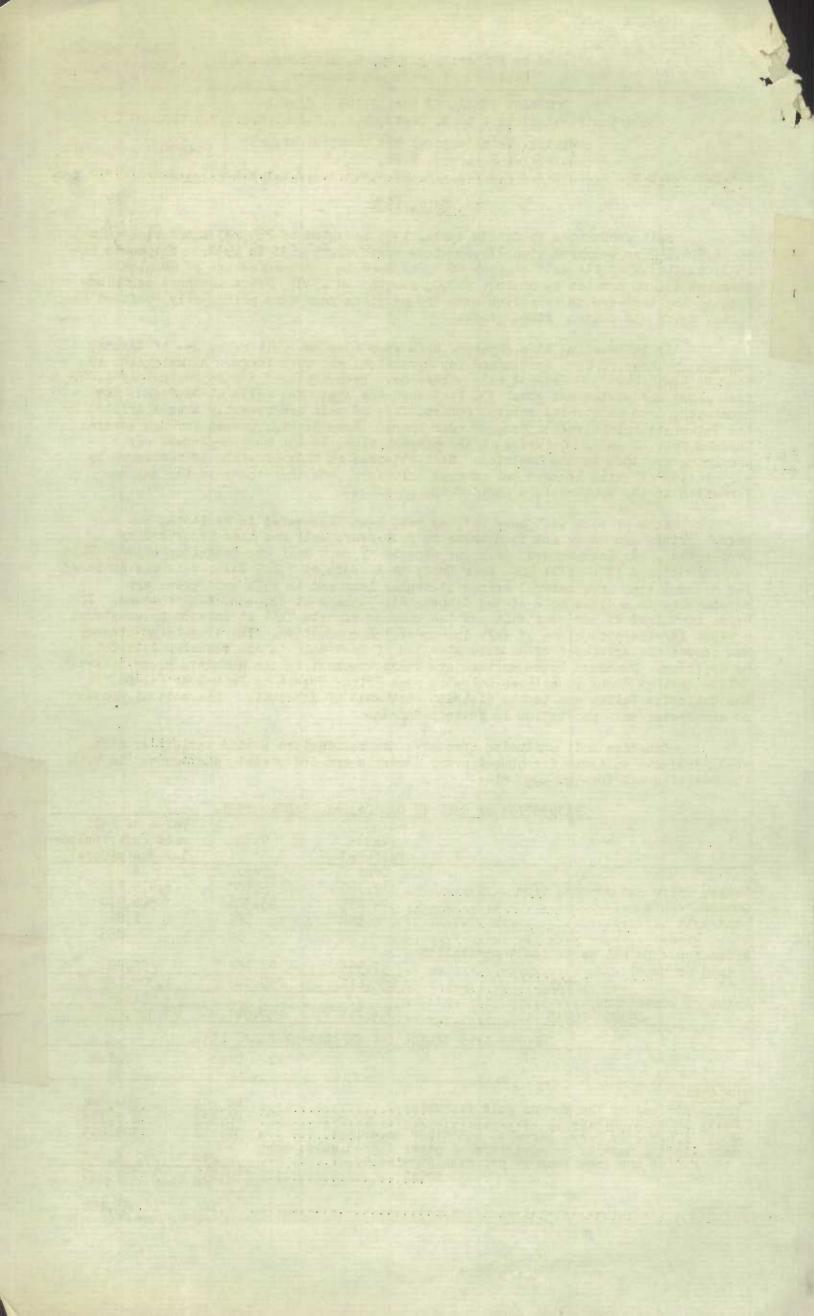
Salt production in Canada during 1931 amounted to 259,047 short tons valued at \$1,904,149 as compared with 271,595 tons worth \$1,694,631 in 1930. Shipments in 1931, exclusive of the salt content of brine used in the manufacture of chemicals, averaged \$11.20 per ton as against \$10.05 per ton in 1930. Price advances contributing to the increase in valuation over the previous year were principally confined to table, dairy and common fine, grades.

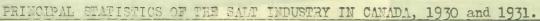
It is becoming more apparent each year that the salt resources of Canada, especially those of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, are very large. At Malagash, in Nova Scotia, about 300 feet of salt strata have been explored for approximately 1,000 feet along the strike and about 350 feet down the dip; two wells at Gautreau, New Brunswick, have penetrated several hundred feet of salt and recently a well drilled by the International Petroleum Company near Nappan, Nova Scotia, passed through several hundred feet of salt. Ontario, at the present time, is the most important salt producing province in the Dominion. Salt obtained in this province is recovered by evaporation of brine leached out of rock salt from beds that occur in the Salina formation in the southwestern part of the province.

Beds of rock salt have not, as yet, been discovered in Manitoba, but many brine springs are known and from these in past years salt has been recovered by evaporation. In Saskatchewan only one deposit of rock salt has been identified. This was encountered in a drill hole near Unity at a depth of 3,110 feet; salt was produced for a short time from natural brines at Senlac Lake and in 1931 salt brine was encountered in a drill hole of the Simpson Oil Company at Simpson, Saskatchewan. The brine contained 23 per cent salt and the company reports that it intends to construct a plant for the production of salt in commercial quantities. The Alberta government has proved the existence of an extensive bed of rock salt in the McMurray district by drilling. Numerous brine springs are known to exist in the McKenzie River district. Saline springs occur in British Columbia near Prince Rupert on Vancouver Island, in the Chilcotin Valley and in the district northwest of Ashcroft. There is at present no commercial salt production in Western Canada.

Canadian salt producing companies now manufacture a wide variety of high grade products suitable for almost every domestic and industrial requirement in both the Dominion and foreign countries.

PRODUCTION OF SALT IN CANADA, BY GRADES, 1931.				
	Manu- factured	Sold	Value of salt sold (not includ- ing containers)	
Table, dairy and common, fine	44,295 542	Tons 115,180 45,326 527 56	\$ 1,475,837 326,970 1,861 259	
sold or used)	used)		99,222 1,904,149 491,357 2,395,506	
IMPORTS INTO CANADA	AND EXPORTS	Tons	Value \$	
IMPORTS - Salt, for use of the sea or gulf fisheries Salt, in bulk, n.o.p. Salt, n.o.p., in bags, barrels, and other Salt, table, made by an admixture of other containing not less than 90 per cent pure	coverings	#0,32 34,112 when 291	177,738 2 309,203 4 16,842	
EXPORTS		6,126	55,110	





Total Tota	30	1931
Country Coun	52 329 381 637 902 539 41 313	7 96,927 57 306 363 22,479 34,505 46,984 34,001
Country 1		
BRITISH EMPIRE		
United Kingdom 1,971 Union of South Africa (years ended June 30) 87 Canada (shipments) 299 India (including Aden) 1,700 Australia 88 Other British countries 144 FOREIGN COUNTRIES Korea 130 Italian East Africa 100 Austria 170 Czechoslovakia 166 France 1,80 Germany 2,999 Greece (c) 100 Italy 89 Poland 556 Roumania 89 Russia (years ended Sept 30) 2,570 Spain 1,066 Switzerland 88 Egypt (aports) 14 United States 7,62 Argentina 19 China including Kwantung Peninsula 2,40 Netherlands East Indies 50 French Indo-China 15 French Indo-China 25 Siam 17	929	1930
FOREIGN COUNTRIES 130 140 140 150 160 17	37,453 94,879 99,100 34,457 49,941	2,067,564 (a) 240,046 1,711,348 66,766 214,276
Korea		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Japan (b)	94,461 00,000 96,070 60,494 16,422 79,000 62,427 85,110 46,669 20,000 28,179 94,675	(a) 100,000 155,132 174,886 1,675,150 2,910,163 100,000 836,336 525,000 302,084 3,378,000 (a) 79,554 152,406 (a) 7,191,465 142,309 2,562,500 (a) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a) (a)
Other foreign countries	33,977 74,273 00,000 99,546 00,000 2	(a) 178,144 100,000 (a) 5,000,000

⁽a) Data not available.
(b) Excluding production from salt beds, which, although on government beach lands, have no fixed areas. Figures refer to years ended March 31.
(c) Estimated on previous years figures.

Note: - Complete data for 1931 world's production not yet available.

