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ZINC PRODUCTION IN CANADA, SEPTEMBER, 1931.

Refined zinc produced by refineries at Trail, British Columbia, and Flin Flon, Manitoba, made up Canada s zinc production in September. The month's output was 16,433,590 pounds as compared with 19,196,013 pounds in August and 25,603,361 pounds in September last year.

The demand for zinc in the United States showed little improvement in September and prices eased off slightly. Prime western zinc was quoted on the St. Louis market at 3.80 cents per pound on the first of the month, a gradual decline in price was recorded and the closing quotations were 3.65 cents per pound. The average price for September was 3.744 cents per pound; in August the average was 3.817 cents per pound and in September last year, 4.270 cents per pound. London prices showed considerable fluctuation, ranging from a low of 2.261 cents per pound on the seventeenth to a high of 2.604 cents per pound on the thirtieth; the monthly average was 2.4245 cents per pound.

The world production of zinc declined 1.5 per cent in September to a total of 84,448 tons as against 85,731 tons in August. This falling-off was due mainly to declines in output in Mexico, France, Italy, and the Netherlands. The United States production during the month was 21,356 tons while shipments totalled 20,902 tons, Stocks on hand in the United States were increased by 454 tons, and amounted to 130,155 tons at the end of September.

Zinc spelter exports from Canada in September were recorded at 18,261,800 pounds valued at \$411,269. Great Britain, Japan, Germany, France and Belgium furnished the principal market for Canadian zinc in September.

PRODUCTION OF ZINC IN CANADA.

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