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COPPER, 1930.

Finally revised statistics on the production of copper in Canada as reported by the Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa, show a production in 1930 of 303,478,356 pounds valued at \$37,948,359 as compared with 248,120,760 pounds valued at \$43,415,251 in 1929. This was an increase of 22 per cent in quantity and constitutes the highest production in the history of Canadian copper mining. There was, however, a decrease of 12.5 per cent in value owing to the extremely low price of copper existing in 1930. Increased productions realized in both Ontario and Quebec reflected the expansion in the mining and metallurgical operations of the International Nickel and Noranda Copper producing companies. The Consolidated Copper and Sulphur Company continued throughout 1930 to produce and ship to the United States copper and iron sulphide flotation concentrates from Canada's oldest producing copper mine, the Eustis, located in the Eastern Townships of Quebec.

In Manitoba the recently completed smelter of the Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Company commenced production of blister copper from the sulphide ores of the Flin Flon mine. This blister copper, the first to be produced in Manitoba, was shipped to the United States for refining. A production of 93,318,885 pounds of copper in British Columbia was considerably less than that of the previous year; the greater part of the year's output consisted of the metal contained in blister made at the Anyox smelter of the Granby Consolidated Mining, Smelting and Power Company and in copper concentrates shipped to United States smelters from the Britannia and Copper Mountain mines.

Commencement of production of electrolytic copper in Eastern Canada by the Ontario Refining Co. Ltd., at their new plant at Copper Cliff, Ontario, was an outstanding event in the Canadian copper mining industry during 1930. This refinery treated blister copper from both the Port Colborne works of the International Nickel Company and the Anyox smelter of the Granby Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company in British Columbia; at Montreal East, construction proceeded on the new copper refinery of the Canadian Copper Refineries, Ltd. This refinery together with the rod mill and wire drawing plant of its subsidiary manufacturing company - Canada Wire and Cable Co. Ltd. - will, it is expected, be in production in June, 1931. Electrolytic copper will be produced here from blister made at the Noranda and Flin Flon smelters.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES AND BY SOURCES,
1929 and 1930.

	1929		1930	
	Pounds	Value	Pounds	Value
PRODUCTION:				
By Provinces:-				
Quebec.....	55,337,169	10,019,901	80,310,363	10,425,891
Ontario.....	98,879,853	14,622,572	127,718,871	15,187,259
Manitoba.....	2,087,609	215,018
British Columbia.....	103,903,738	18,772,778	93,318,885	12,114,657
Yukon.....	42,628	5,534
TOTAL.....	248,120,760	43,415,251	303,478,356	37,948,359
By Sources:-				
In blister copper produced.....	160,190,580	28,059,843	223,890,467	27,965,905
In copper sulphate produced.....	154,357	27,950	183,575	23,231
In ores and copper matte exported	69,555,356	12,594,388	67,694,448	8,787,636
In nickel-copper matte exported..	18,220,467	2,733,070	11,709,866	1,170,987
TOTAL.....	248,120,760	43,415,251	303,478,356	37,948,359

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