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GOLD, 1930.

Finally revised figures of the Canadian gold production for 1930 show 2,102,068 fine ounces worth \$43,453,601, valued at the standard price of \$20.671834 per fine ounce, as compiled by the Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. This establishes a new high record output of this metal for the Dominion. Since 1924 there has been an unbroken series of annual increases until in 1930 Canada reached the position of the world's second greatest gold producer.

In Nova Scotia a production of 1,272 fine ounces from auriferous quartz mines is considerably less than in 1929.

The Quebec production of 141,747 fine ounces included gold contained in blister copper made at the Noranda smelter and gold in bullion produced from ores mined at the Siscoe, O'Brien and Granada gold mines.

Ontario produced 1,736,012 fine ounces valued at \$35,886,552; output from the Porcupine camp totalled 859,084 fine ounces and in Kirkland lake area a production of 830,733 ounces was attained. Gold contained in ores produced in the Sudbury area and from miscellaneous sources made up the balance.

Gold in Manitoba was derived from both sulphide and auriferous quartz ores and at 23,189 fine ounces showed an increase over the production of 1929.

British Columbia with an output of 164,331 fine ounces realized a substantial gain over the previous year. Increases occurred in alluvial mining, auriferous quartz mining and in the gold contained in blister copper produced. There was, however, a decrease in the amount of gold contained in base bullion and ores exported.

Fine gold recovered from alluvial mining in the Yukon was less at 35,160 fine ounces as compared to 35,678 ounces during 1929; 357 fine ounces were contained in silver-lead ores exported for treatment in foreign smelters.

An almost general reduction in commodity prices combined with the sympathetic attitude of the financial world towards increasing the world's supply of gold has recently stimulated a pronounced activity in Canadian gold mining and





prospecting; during the year encouraging gold discoveries were made in the Matachewan area in Northern Ontario and around the Pascalis-Louvicourt section in the province of Quebec.

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

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	Fine ounces	Value \$	Fine ounces	Value \$
<u>NOVA SCOTIA -</u>				
In gold bullion.....	2,687	55,543	1,272	26,295
<u>QUEBEC -</u>				
In blister copper and in gold bullion.....	90,798	1,876,961	141,747	2,930,170
<u>ONTARIO -</u>				
Porcupine area: - In gold bullion...	932,732	19,281,281	858,603	17,748,899
In slags ex- ported.....	...	...	481	9,943
Kirkland Lake Area:- In gold bullion...	679,051	14,037,230	830,293	17,163,679
In concentrates and slags exported...	453	9,564	440	9,096
Sudbury area.....	8,907	184,124	23,803	492,051
Miscellaneous.....	1,124	23,235	22,392	462,884
Total.....	1,622,267	33,535,234	1,736,012	35,836,552
<u>MANITOBA -</u>				
In gold bullion and in blister copper	22,455	464,180	23,189	479,359
<u>ALBERTA</u> .....				
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<u>BRITISH COLUMBIA -</u>				
In alluvial gold.....	5,158	106,625	7,164	148,093
In gold bullion.....	17,609	364,011	31,177	644,486
In blister copper.....	18,405	380,465	25,799	533,313
In base bullion and in ores exported	113,032	2,336,579	100,191	2,071,131
Total.....	154,204	3,187,680	164,331	3,397,023
<u>YUKON -</u>				
In alluvial gold.....	35,678	737,530	35,160	726,322
In ores exported.....	214	4,424	357	7,330
Total.....	35,892	741,954	35,517	734,202
TOTAL FOR CANADA.....	1,928,308	39,861,663	2,102,063	43,453,601

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