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GOLD PRODUCTION SHOWS INCREASE FOR SIX MONTHS

Decrease in Coal Production in Canada for the Six Months Ending June 30th, 1930, According to Official Figures Just Released.

Production in Canada of metals and non-metals during the first six months of 1930 was valued at \$116,360,409 as compared with \$123,702,334 for the half-year ending June 1929, a decrease of 6 per cent., according to the half-yearly report just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Lessened coal production, lower output of asbestos and the falling-off in metal prices were the principal contributory factors of the decline.

More arsenic, gold, silver, copper, nickel, platinum metals, lead and zinc were produced but these increases in quantity were not great enough to offset the lower prices for silver and the base metals with the result that metal production totalled \$75,031,606 as against \$75,476,321 during the same period of 1929, a decrease of 0.6 per cent. Production of bismuth, cadmium and cobalt was not as great as in the first six months of 1929.

Coal output for the half-year ending June was 7,159,761 short tons valued at \$25,854,127, a decrease of 18.4 per cent. in quantity and 18.9 per cent. in value.

Petroleum and natural gas both showed increases over the same period in 1929. Among the non-metals, asbestos production was lower; gypsum registered an increase; the value of salt produced was higher; magnesite shipments were off. Other non-metals produced were quartz, feldspar, sulphur, graphite, soapstone, silica brick, mineral waters, diamondite, volcanic dust, sodium carbonate, bog manganese, bituminous sands, phosphate, barytes, actinolite and fluorspar.

The report gives final figures of Canada's mineral production in 1929 by items and by provinces. A table showing production by months from January to June, 1930, of Canada's sixteen leading mineral products is also included.

Barrie Examiner:—Many who consider themselves leaders will follow a little golf ball all day.

LEADING PLACE IN WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF MINERALS

Canada's Representative at the Empire Mining and Metallurgical Congress Shows the High Place Now Held by This Dominion.

Canada is taking a leading place in the world's production of minerals. This fact was stressed by Dr. Charles Camsell, Deputy Minister of Mines for the Dominion, who represented Canada at the recent meeting of the Empire Mining and Metallurgical Congress. This congress was held in South Africa and was the third congress to be held. The congress opened at Capetown and meetings were also held at Kimberley, Johannesburg, Bulawayo and Durban. The session of the congress in South Africa occupied over six weeks, the closing sessions being held at Capetown. The address at the congress by Dr. Camsell not only impressed all present, but it also has attracted general attention wherever there is interest in mining, and interest in mining may well be said to be world-wide.

Canada's record of mineral production and of mining expansion is one of rapid and fairly steady progress. It is mainly a story of the discovery and development of mineral deposits coincident with the march of exploration and progress, the trend of which now seems to be definitely established toward the northern parts of the Dominion. Vast areas of potential minerals, interest still await the coming of the explorer and prospector, and it is reasonably within the bounds of possibility that much more mineral wealth lies undiscovered in the North than has yet been developed. These various factors combine to strengthen Canada's position as a mining country and to indicate a splendid future for her mineral industries.

Nearly 250 delegates were present at the congress and these mining men represented practically every part of the British Empire, as there are few sections in that far-flung Empire that have not some mining interests. At the congress plans for a stock-taking of mineral resources of the whole Empire were formulated, and this stock-taking should be of great interest and value when completed. It will no doubt show that the mineral resources of the British Empire are even more varied and greater than generally believed. The congress also afforded an opportunity for those present to exchange views on mining matters with advantage to all, and opportunities were provided the delegates for a close-range view of every phase of mining in South Africa.

Reports of the congress as published in the Dominion journal "Natural Resources," for the present month, September, show that Canada was given due attention and prominence at this Congress of mining and metallurgy. A series of papers covering mineral production and mining activity in every part of Canada prepared by leading authorities in the Dominion was presented by Dr. Camsell. In his introduction, Dr. Camsell said in part:—

"The development of the Canadian mining and metallurgical industries to their present status is of comparatively recent date. For many years the term 'Granary of the Empire' symbolized the more important economic assets of the Dominion, and it is only within the past twenty years that mining and metallurgy have appeared as factors of growing importance on the national industrial horizon. During this period progress in mining and its allied industries has been steadily maintained, not only in quantity production and increased variety of output but also in improved technical methods, until today mining ranks next to agriculture and forestry as the third of Canada's great primary industries.

"Some idea of the extent of the growth and of the present importance of the Canadian mining industry may be obtained from the following summary of progress. In 1900 the total annual mineral output of the Dominion was valued at \$64,420,877; in 1910 it had risen to \$106,823,623; in 1920 to \$227,859,665; and in 1928 a new high record of \$273,446,864 was reached, surpassing the previous high record values of 1926 and 1927.

"Only in recent years has Canada's international status as a producer of minerals been established. In the period between 1886 and 1926 the Dominion secured practically complete control of the world's nickel markets,

Popular Timmins Young Lady Wedded at Toronto

A recent issue of The Toronto Star has the following reference to the wedding of Dr. Saul Breslin, of Toronto and Miss Libby Silver, of Timmins, the event taking place at Toronto on Wednesday, Sept. 3rd.—

A pretty wedding was solemnized by Rabbi Gordon, assisted by Cantor Wladofsky, at Pythian Castle Hall when Libby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Silver, of Timmins, Ont., was united in marriage to Dr. Saul Breslin. The bride, who was given away by her father, looked charming in an egg-shell satin model gown, fashioned on princess lines. Her lace veil was in cap effect, and she wore matching shoes, and carried a bouquet of roses and lily-of-the-valley. She was preceded by her maid of honour, Miss Lillian Shankman, of Timmins, and her bridesmaid, Misses Rhoda Breslin, sister of the groom, and Vera Silver, sister of the bride, who were dressed in green chiffon with matching shoes and carried old-fashioned nosegays. The groomsmen were Mr. Sam Silver and Mr. Nick Shankman, and the best man was Julius Breslin, brother of the groom. The maid of honour and bridesmaids were presented with lovely initialled compacts and the best man and groomsmen with cigarette lighters. After the ceremony, dinner was served to about two hundred guests. Dancing followed. The happy couple left later for New York and Atlantic City, the bride travelling in a smart brown tweed ensemble trimmed with brown fox collar, with shoes and hat to match. On their return they will reside in Toronto.

NEW NOVEL BY HAILEYBURY AUTHOR TO BE PUBLISHED

Some months ago The Advance made extended reference to a novel, "Streets of Shadow," by a North Land author, Leslie McFarlane, of Haileybury. The novel was a mystery tale localized in the city of Montreal. It was a well-written story and the sort that would not fail to thrill and please the average reader. The Advance recommended all to read "Streets of Shadow" because it was written by a clever Canadian and all would be proud of this fact when reading the book. Also, the story itself, and its effective narration would be sure to please the reader. All who followed the suggestion of The Advance will be pleased to learn that another novel by Mr. McFarlane has been accepted by his publishers, E. P. Dutton & Co., New York. The new book is entitled, "The Murder Tree," and will be published next spring. President Macrae, of the E. P. Dutton Co., is credited with saying that "The Murder Tree" is a much better story than "Streets of Shadow." If this is so, the new book must be a good one, for both literally and metaphorically, "Streets of Shadow" was a prize winner. The issuing of "The Murder Tree" will be awaited with interest, though The Advance will not be satisfied until Leslie McFarlane writes the novel of the North.

ninety per cent. of whose requirements it now supplies. Canadian asbestos still supplies the largest part of the world's demand for this commodity, and Canada may almost be considered as the industrial mother of the metal cobalt. The output of the Porcupine and Kirkland Lake districts of Ontario has placed Canada third amongst gold-producing countries, and at the moment of writing the Dominion takes third place in the production of silver, fourth in the production of lead and copper, and also supplies a considerable portion of the world's zinc. More than forty primary metals and minerals are listed in the federal production statistics and of these the metals and other minerals referred to above, together with coal, natural gas, petroleum, gypsum, salt, platinum and palladium, are all of outstanding importance. With the aggregate annual mineral output of the Dominion now well over a quarter of a billion dollars it may be said with confidence that the Canadian mining industry is at present soundly established.

"In the field of metallurgy Canada continues to keep pace with the advance made in its basic mining industries. The progress in mining practice, in concentration methods of ore treatment, and in metallurgical practice of ore reduction has been to some extent responsible for the increased output of the metals. The development of hydro-electric power, so rapidly extending throughout the Dominion, is making it



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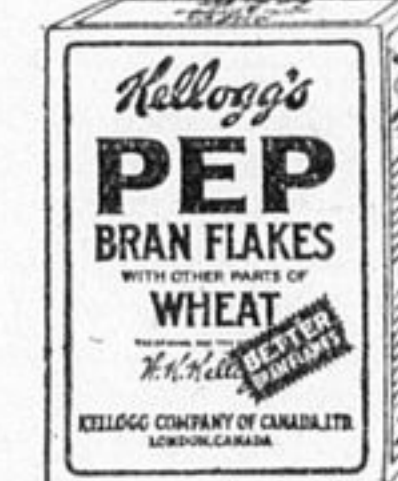
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