MINERAL STATISTICS.

COAL PRODUCTION OF THE WORLD, 1886.

Country	Quantity.	COUNTRY.	Quantity.
	Tons.		Tons.
Great Britain	157,518,482 112,743,403 78,266,288 20 044,597	New Zealand	511,063 1,200,955 5,866 1,682,924
Selgium Austria-Hungary Inssia	17,253,144 17,191,000 4,500,000	British Columbia	326,638 900,000 2,878,863
wedenpaintaly	264,000 1, 00,000 220,000	Other Countries	10,500,000 427,007,222

The figures for Nova Scotia have been altered to agree with Canadian returns. Long tons of 2,240 pounds are used with reference to Great Britain, Australia, India, New Zealand and Russia, short tons of 2,000 pounds for the United States, Nova Scotia and British Columbia, and metric tons of 2,204 pounds for continental countries. The increase in the world's production, exclusive of the United States, over that of 1885, was 5,275,295 tons.

It is calculated that even at the present state of con-supply of sumption, there is coal enough still in England to last for England 600 years, the Parliamentary report of 1874 estimating the amount at 90,000 million tons.

"518. Copper constitutes one of the most important of the copper." mineral treasures of the Dominion, and is destined to oc"cupy a very important rank amongst its resources. Its
"ores are distributed over vast tracts of country in Ontario,
"in the Eastern Townships of Quebec, in Nova Scotia,
"and British Columbia, and traces of it are met with in New
"Brunswick." There are no copper smelting works in operation in Canada, and consequently all the ores are exported for treatment abroad. It is said that smelting