

YEAR.	Canadian Oil.	American Oil.	Total.
	Galls.	Galls.	Galls.
1882.....	6,169,353	3,026,186	9,195,539
1883.....	7,135,580	3,088,414	10,223,994
1884.....	7,836,949	3,148,920	10,985,869
1885.....	7,843,033	3,813,379	11,656,412
1886.....	8,341,203	3,803,724	12,144,927
1887.....	8,436,938	4,309,397	12,746,335
1888.....	9,769,265	4,493,924	14,263,189
1889.....	9,684,336	4,723,698	14,408,034

443. The most extensive petroleum field in America, if not in the world, is believed to exist in the Athabasca and Mackenzie valleys in the North-West, and the committee of the Senate appointed in 1888 to enquire into the resources of the Mackenzie Basin, say in their report that it is probable that this great petroleum field will assume an enormous value in the near future, and will rank among the chief assets comprised in the Crown domain of the Dominion. The committee also suggest that a tract of about 40,000 square miles be reserved from sale, and that practical tests and explorations be made to ascertain its value. Petroleum in N.W.T.

444. Petroleum is found in several other countries in the world, but principally in the United States, Russia, Egypt and Burmah. It was first discovered in the United States, in Pennsylvania, in 1859, and the total production of crude oil since then has amounted to 372,919,195 barrels, valued at an equal number of dollars, the States of Pennsylvania and New York having produced 346,803,260 barrels out of the above quantity. The very unexpected discovery of crude petroleum in enormous quantities in the Trenton limestone of north-eastern Ohio in 1886 has had an important effect on the output of that State, the production having increased from 650,000 barrels in 1885 to 10,010,868 barrels in 1888. The total production in the United States in 1888 was 27,346,018 barrels. Petroleum in United States.