

The following table gives the value of the world's production of gold and silver for the calendar years 1895 and 1896.

COUNTRIES.	1895.		1896.	
	Gold.	Silver.	Gold.	Silver.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
British Empire—				
Great Britain	107,000	362,500	24,600	339,500
Australasia	44,798,300	16,171,100	45,181,900	19,600,900
British Guiana	2,213,100	.....	2,213,100	.....
Africa	44,554,900	.....	44,407,600	.....
India (British).....	4,656,200	.....	6,130,500	.....
Canada.....	1,911,676	1,159,166	2,780,066	2,149,503
Total, British Empire	98,241,176	17,692,766	100,737,786	22,089,903
United States.....	46,610,000	72,051,000	53,088,000	76,069,200
Mexico.....	6,000,000	60,719,500	8,331,700	59,017,600
Russia.....	28,894,400	519,300	21,535,800	434,600
Germany.....	2,223,160	7,522,400	1,139,100	7,616,000
Austria-Hungary	1,989,000	2,824,100	2,152,700	2,409,900
Sweden.....	52,500	49,300	76,100	23,000
Norway.....	.....	252,800	.....	209,700
Italy.....	125,300	237,500	125,300	237,500
Spain.....	.....	4,563,500	.....	4,563,500
Greece.....	.....	1,472,700	.....	1,329,900
Turkey.....	8,000	63,000	8,000	63,000
France.....	.....	732,200	.....	732,200
Argentina.....	315,000	424,300	315,000	424,300
Colombia.....	2,892,800	2,182,400	3,000,000	2,182,400
Bolivia.....	67,000	28,444,400	750,000	19,393,900
Ecuador.....	132,900	10,000	132,900	10,000
Chile.....	1,407,600	6,505,900	1,407,600	6,505,900
Brazil.....	1,190,000	.....	1,200,000	.....
Venezuela.....	909,500	.....	948,500	.....
Dutch Guiana.....	525,600	.....	481,800	.....
French Guiana.....	1,865,900	.....	1,865,900	.....
Peru.....	63,800	4,089,500	116,600	2,914,300
Uruguay.....	27,200	.....	27,200	.....
Central American States.....	470,500	2,000,000	470,500	2,000,000
Japan.....	517,100	2,799,300	713,300	3,242,100
China.....	3,521,000	.....	3,024,000	.....
Corea.....	699,200	.....	721,800	.....
Borneo.....	73,800	.....	73,800	.....
Madagascar.....	482,500	.....	482,500	.....
Total, foreign countries.....	101,066,709	197,463,100	102,188,100	189,379,000
Grand total.....	198,700,076	215,155,866	202,925,886	211,468,903

NOTE.—The above figures, with the exception of Canada, have been taken from U.S. Treasury Report, 1397.

COPPER.

Copper occurs in Canada in the forms of native or metallic copper and the sulphuretted ores. The former is confined principally to the rocks of the upper copper-bearing series on Lake Superior. The latter are widely diffused. In Ontario, on the north-eastern shores of Lake Huron, extensive veins of rich copper ores have been mined for years.