

A comparison of the mineral production of the British Empire and of the rest of the world in 1900, is given below. It will be seen that the British Empire provides twenty-eight per cent of the first eight articles, forty-eight per cent of the gold and ten per cent of the silver.

	United Kingdom.	British Colonies and Possessions.	United States.	Germany.	Whole World.
	*Tons.	*Tons.	*Tons.	*Tons.	*Tons.
Coal.....Tons*	252,132,002	21,096,474	269,881,826	165,066,658	845,935,096
Iron....."	5,225,502	270,878	15,443,951	5,075,261	44,551,261
Copper....."	856	44,828	303,053	34,084	589,278
Lead....."	27,280	53,389	270,824	133,907	868,201
Tin....."	4,778	52,111	18	88,869
Zinc....."	10,152	4,635	123,886	168,991	491,903
Petroleum....."	265,961	8,249,108	55,513	20,446,453
Salt....."	2,084,121	1,366,273	2,920,382	1,668,458	13,854,428
Fine gold.....Lbs.	914·66	414,519·50	264,288·25	219·19	866,603·98
" silver....."	13,082·94	1,271,699·18	4,105,675·12	371,041·19	12,946,921·94

*Tons of 2,000 lbs.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA.

Calendar Year.	Pounds.	Valued at.
		\$
1886.....	3,505,000	385,550
1887.....	3,260,424	366,798
1888.....	5,562,864	927,107
1889.....	6,809,752	936,341
1890.....	6,013,671	947,153
1891.....	8,928,921	1,149,598
1892.....	7,087,275	818,580
1893.....	8,109,856	871,809
1894.....	7,737,016	739,659
1895.....	8,789,162	945,714
1896.....	9,393,012	1,021,148
1897.....	13,300,802	1,501,660
1898.....	17,747,136	2,134,980
1899.....	15,078,475	2,655,319
1900.....	18,919,820	3,063,119
1901*.....	40,951,196	6,600,104

* Subject to revision.