

EXPORTS OF NICKEL ORE, MATTE OR SPEISS, FROM CANADA, DURING  
THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1891-1904.

Year.	Lbs.	\$	Year.	Lbs.	\$
1891. ....	5,352,043	240,499	1898. ....	14,760,996	970,531
1892. ....	15,233,028	617,639	1899. ....	14,428,063	994,537
1893. ....	8,924,100	427,557	1900. ....	13,493,239	1,040,498
1894. ....	8,411,276	808,799	1901. ....	9,537,558	958,365
1895. ....	8,042,586	599,568	1902. ....	3,883,264	834,513
1896. ....	6,996,540	486,651	1903. ....	9,032,554	878,159
1897. ....	7,527,422	498,515	1904. ....	14,229,973	1,237,307

Of our exports of nickel during the year 1904, Great Britain took 2,307,538 pounds, valued at \$292,036, and the United States 11,922,355 pounds, valued at \$945,256.

### PETROLEUM.

Petroleum has been found in Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and particularly in the North-west Territories, where it seems certain there is an immense unexplored oil region, but it is in the county of Lambton, Ontario, whence most of the oil has been and is obtained, Oil Springs and Petrolia being the largest oil-producing districts. The oil is obtained at a depth of from 370 to 500 feet.

The following table contains the only trustworthy statistics of Canadian production of oil that are available, and these figures do not give the total production, since the quantity of crude oil, used as such, is not included.

CANADIAN PETROLEUM AND NAPHTHA INSPECTED, AND CORRESPONDING QUANTITIES OF CRUDE OIL, 1881-1904.

Year ended June 30.	Refined Oils.	Crude equivalent calculated.	Ratio of Crude to Refined.	Equivalent in Barrels of 35 Gallons.
	Imp. Galls.	Imp. Galls.		
1881. ....	6,406,783	12,813,566	100 : 50	366,142
1882. ....	5,910,747	13,134,993	100 : 45	375,285
1883. ....	6,970,550	15,490,111	100 : 45	442,575
1884. ....	7,656,001	19,140,002	100 : 40	546,857
1885. ....	7,661,617	19,154,042	100 : 40	547,258
1886. ....	8,149,472	21,445,979	100 : 38	612,742
1887. ....	8,243,962	21,694,637	100 : 38	619,847
1888. ....	9,545,895	25,120,776	100 : 38	717,736
1889. ....	9,462,834	24,902,195	100 : 38	711,491
1890. ....	10,121,210	26,634,763	100 : 38	760,993
1891. ....	10,270,107	27,028,492	100 : 38	772,243
1892. ....	10,238,426	26,943,227	100 : 38	769,806
1893. ....	10,683,806	28,115,278	100 : 38	803,294
1894. ....	10,824,270	28,484,921	100 : 38	813,855
1895. ....	10,936,992	26,040,457	100 : 42	744,013
1896. ....	10,533,951	25,080,835	100 : 42	716,595
1897. ....	10,506,526	25,015,538	100 : 42	714,730
1898. ....	10,796,847	25,706,778	100 : 42	734,479
1899. ....	11,005,414	26,203,366	100 : 42	748,667
1900. ....	13,014,713	24,101,320	100 : 54	688,609
1901. ....	12,674,977	23,472,180	100 : 54	670,634
1902. ....	10,494,874	19,434,952	100 : 54	555,284
1903. ....	8,615,892	15,955,355	100 : 54	455,867
1904. ....	7,292,113	13,503,913	100 : 54	385,826