

Newfoundland (incl. Labrador).-The mineral output of the Province of Newfoundland (incl. Labrador) has grown rapidly in the past few years, iron ore production from Labrador being by far the main contributor. All metallics produced in the province in 1965 had a value of \$203,100,000, of which iron ore production of 14,600,000 tons accounted for \$168,500,000. Outputs of copper, zinc and lead, mainly from the Buchans Mine near St. John's, were valued at \$13,000,000, \$11,200,000 and \$7,200,000, respectively One new copper mine commenced production during the year and another was under development for production in 1966. Wabush Mines started shipments of concentrates from its 5,300,000-ton-a-year facility at Wabush in Labrador, of which 4,900,000 tons a year is pelletized at the plant of Arnaud Pellets, an associated company, at Pointe Noire, Que. Iron Ore Company of Canada, Limited, produces about 6,000,000 tons of concentrate a year at its Carol operations near

Labrador City and pelletizes about 5,000,000 tons a year at the nearby plant of Carol Pellet Company, an associated company; the remainder is shipped as concentrates. Capacity of the pellet plant will be increased to 10,000,000 tons a year in 1966. It seems almost certain that growth in the value of mineral output in the province will depend almost entirely on iron-ore-industry growth. However, the potential of the Island for discovery and development of base metal properties is high, even though present operators are mining long-known deposits.

The value of industrial minerals produced in 1965 was \$17,300,000 compared with \$16,000,000 in 1964, asbestos contributing nearly \$7,000,000 and structural materials \$6,200,000.

Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.—Prince Edward Island's mineral industry is confined to the production of structural materials, which in 1965 were valued at nearly \$1,000,000.

Nova Scotia has shown the least change in total value of mineral output of all provinces over the past 15 years. Its main contribution to the Canadian mineral industry is in the output of coal, which in 1965 amounted to 4,100,000 tons worth \$42,000,000, and in the output of non-metallics which were valued at \$14,700,000, with gypsum, salt and barite being the main contributors. The coal industry continues to operate only with difficulty,