

On Lake Superior the native copper, which has been so extensively and profitably worked on the Michigan shore, exists in large quantities along the Canadian shore. In Quebec and the other eastern provinces deposits of copper have been found. In British Columbia masses of native copper have been found in various parts of the province. The largest deposits are found in the neighbourhood of Sudbury, in Ontario.

PRODUCTION OF COPPER IN CANADA.

	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.....	8,739,162	945,714
1896.....	9,393,012	1,021,148
1897*.....	13,300,802	1,501,660

* Subject to revision.

The following table gives the exports of copper since confederation :

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	Copper, fine.		Copper, Ore.		YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	Copper, fine.		Copper, Ore.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
	Tons.	\$	Tons.	\$		Tons.	\$	Tons.	\$
1868.....	135	17,922	5,440	376,298	1883.....			4,402	150,479
1869.....	395	34,110	9,513	482,520	1884.....			1,677	214,044
1870.....	225	21,062	5,227	230,159	1885.....			1,257	246,230
1871.....			3,123	120,121	1886.....			5,224	291,397
1872.....			4,461	103,990	1887.....			5,267	181,545
1873.....			2,584	166,525	1888.....	509	50,900	1,509	95,585
1874.....			3,148	135,077	1889.....	76	7,602	1,287½	195,182
1875.....	145	39,314	2,300	103,697	1890.....	1,138	133,251	1,406	111,086
1876.....			2,230	352,035	1891.....	2,418	236,027	3,079	269,169
1877.....			1,313	264,442	1892.....	1,899	185,848	340	30,755
1878.....			654	119,629	1893.....	3,589	391,969	70	3,850
1879.....			98	19,762	1894.....	597	88,352	*	*
1880.....			5,883	150,799	1895.....	1,722	222,657	*	*
1881.....			19,802	150,412	1896.....	1,788	194,771	*	*
1882.....			44,744	139,245	1897.....	5,065	550,462	*	*

* Included in copper, fine.

In 1897 Ontario exported 3,661,170 pounds, Quebec 375,686 pounds, and British Columbia, 6,093,461 pounds.