

BRITISH COLUMBIA INTERESTED IN GOLD CONFERENCE AT SPOKANE.

An invitation was extended Hon. Wm. Sloan, Minister of Mines of British Columbia, to attend an international conference to be held at Spokane, Wash., on the 5th and 6th of September, for the purpose of discussing the world's supply of gold and the best means of stimulating the production of the precious metal in the Northwest. Mr. Sloan expressed his appreciation of the importance of the matter and gave his pledge that the province would be represented at the conference. While the question is one of general interest to the mining fraternity, it perhaps is of special interest to British Columbia, because the Rossland Camp, in years past one of the most stirring of the province, has been practically closed down owing to the steadily declining purchasing power of the dollar and the ever stationary value of gold. The reasons given by the Canadian Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. for the discontinuance of work at Rossland have been given already in these columns. It may be said, by way of explanation, that the company takes the simple position that the cost of mining—material, labor, etc.—has made the operation of the mines in question unprofitable.

MARKETS

TORONTO MARKETS.

Cobalt oxide, black, \$1.50 per lb.
 Cobalt oxide, grey, \$1.65 per lb.
 Cobalt metal, \$2.50 per lb.
 Nickel metal, 45 to 50 cents per lb.
 White arsenic, 12 cents per lb.

Sept. 12, 1918—(Quotations from Canada Metal Co., Toronto).
 Spelter, 11 cents per lb.
 Lead, 10¼ cents to 10½ cents per lb.
 Antimony, 18 cents per lb.
 Copper, casting, 30 cents per lb.
 Electrolytic, 29½ cents per lb.
 Ingot brass, yellow, 21 cents; red, 26 cents per lb.

Sept. 12, 1918—(Quotations from Elias Rogers Co., Toronto).
 Coal, anthracite, \$11.00 per ton.
 Coal, bituminous, nominal, \$9.25 per ton.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Copper—Fixed for the period August 7 to Nov. 1, 1918, at 26 cents per lb.
 Tin—Prices are nominal. Supply is controlled by the American Iron and Steel Institute.
 Silver—The U.S. Treasury announced on Aug. 15 that the maximum price was fixed at \$1.01½ per ounce.
 Lead—The producers' price is 8.05 cents per lb.
 Zinc—The U.S. Government price for Grade A spelter until the end of 1918 is fixed at 12 cents per lb.

SILVER PRICES.

	New York cents.	London pence.
September 12	101½	49½

Nipissing Mines Company, Ltd., has declared a dividend of 5 per cent., and bonus of 5 per cent., payable October 21 to shareholders of record of September 13.

STANDARD MINING EXCHANGE.

(Messrs. J. P. Bjckell & Co., report the following quotations on the Standard Stock & Mining Exchange, Sept. 12, 1918.)

	Gold.	
	Ask.	Bid.
Apex .....	.03½	.03¼
Boston Creek Mines .....	.20	...
Davidson Gold Mines .....	.34	.32
Dome Cons. Mines .....	.03	...
Dome Extension .....	.15	.14½
Dome Lake .....	.14	...
Dome Mines	9.45	9.25
Eldorado .....	...	.½
Elliott Kirkland .....	.38	...
Gold Reef .....	.02	...
Hattie Gold Mines .....	.75	...
Hollinger Cons.	5.10	4.95
Keora .....	.07½	.04
Kirkland Lake .....	...	.37
Lake Shore Mines, Ltd. ....	.70	.68
McIntyre	1.49	1.48
Moneta .....	.07½	.07
Newray Mines, Ltd. ....	.16	.15
Porcupine Crown .....	.14	.13¼
Porcupine Imperial .....	.02	.01½
Porcupine Tisdale .....	.01½	.01¼
Vipond .....	.14	.13¾
Preston East Dome .....	.03½	.03¼
Schumacher .....	.21	.19
Teck-Hughes .....	.25	.22
Porcupine V. N. T. Gold Mines ..	...	.13
Thompson Krist .....	.05	.04¾
West Dome .....	.09¾	.09½
Wasapika Gold Mines, Ltd. ....	.30	.25

	Silver.	
	Ask.	Bid.
Adanac .....	.07½	.07
Bailey .....	.03¾	.03½
Beaver Consolidated .....	.30	.29½
Chambers-Ferland .....	.11	.09¾
Crown Reserve .....	.22	.17
Foster .....	.03	.02
Gifford .....	.02¾	.02½
Great Northern .....	.05	.03½
Hargraves .....	.04¼	.04¼
Hudson Bay	22.00	20.00
Kerr Lake .....	...	5.50
La Rose .....	.54	.52
Lorrain Con. M. Ltd. ....	.02	...
McKinley-Darragh-Savage .....	.42½	.41
Mining Corp. of Canada	2.70	...
Nipissing	9.00	8.80
Ophir .....	.06	.05¾
Peterson Lake .....	.09¾	.09½
Right of Way .....	.04	.03
Seneca-Superior .....	.01½	...
Silver Leaf .....	.01	.¾
Temiskaming .....	.31	.30¾
Trethewey .....	.28	.27
Wettlaufer .....	.07½	.04½
York Ont. ....	.02	.01¾