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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A local syndicate proposes to bore for coal in the bed of False Creek, at Vancouver.

A shaft on the Orphan Boy mineral claim, near Kamloops, is being sunk to a depth of 100 ft.

In 1907 the Provincial Government granted 426 coal prospecting licences as compared with 286 in 1906.

During 1907 the price of copper varied between a maximum of 26½ cents per lb. in March and 11¼ cents in October.

On and after January 23, 1908, the address of the Tyee Copper Company, Limited, will be "Bank of Montreal Building, Victoria, B.C. (P.O. Box 665)."

Work was resumed at the Granby Company's mines and smelting works late in December. The men accepted a lower scale of wages than that in force at the time of the general shut-down in November.

An extension of facilities for the treatment of lead ore and concentrates at the Consolidated Company's smelter at Trail will, so it is stated, obviate the necessity that has existed for the shipment to Europe of part of the output of the St. Eugene mine in East Kootenay.

The Diamond Vale Coal and Iron Mines Company expects to be shipping from its mine at Coutlee in a comparatively short time. A seam of coal of excellent quality is being opened and preparations are being made to maintain a steady production of marketable coal.

It is understood that the Le Roi Mining Company will shortly be mining ore from a vein farther south than any in its property hitherto worked. No particulars have been made public, but it is known that two cross-cuts are being driven at the 300-ft. level to reach the vein referred to.