

B. C. ORE SHIPMENTS.

The following are the ore shipments for the week ending Dec. 19 and year to date in tons:—

Boundary Shipments.		
Total	34,758	1,406,199
Rossland Shipments.		
Total	5,440	287,489
Slocan-Kootenay Shipments.		
Total	3,561	131,895
The total shipments for the past week, 43,759 tons, and for the year to date, 1,825,673 tons.		
Granby Smelter Receipts.		
Grand Forks, B.C.		
Granby	20,536	1,006,659
B. C. Copper Co.'c Receipts.		
Greenwood, B.C.		
Total	11,805	343,372
Consolidated Co.'s Receipts.		
Trail, B.C.		
Total	7,366	319,942
Le Roi Smelter Receipts.		
Northport, Wash.		
Total	1,273	83,710

The total receipts at the various smelters for the past week were 40,980 tons and for the year to date 1,781,285 tons.

The output of the Crow's Nest Pass collieries for the week ending on December 11th was 18,214 tons, a daily average of 3,035 tons; week ending December 13, 1907, 24,536 tons, a daily average of 4,089 tons.

B. C. COPPER COMPANY.

The following sets forth the output, costs and net earnings of the B. C. Copper Company for the six months ending November 30th, 1908:—

1908.	Lbs. Fine Copper produced from B.C. Ores.	Net Profits.*
June	891,032	.097c \$25,850
July	1,038,944	.0812 49,934
August	1,069,367	.0815 59,634
September	829,282	.1057 23,933
October	760,811	.1074 20,349
November	958,438	47,000

5,547,874 lbs.

Profits from other sources 5,900

\$232,609

*Cost production per lb. laid down in New York—Average cost per lb. for 5 months .0932c. This average cost per lb. will be somewhat reduced by lower cost in November details not having been received.

As the billing prices of copper were below the prices at which settlements will be made, the net profits for the six months will be somewhat greater than here shown:—

Value at Time of Shipment.

Shipped.	Copper Value.	Silver Value.	Gold Value.	Total Value.	Percentage of Gold and Silver Value.
June	\$88,339	\$3,813	\$27,986	\$120,156	26 per cent.
July	135,899	5,592	46,398	187,859	28 per cent.
August	173,153	6,878	62,237	242,278	29 per cent.
September	115,609	4,274	39,823	159,706	28 per cent.
October	98,328	3,745	37,635	139,718	30 per cent.
November	134,535	4,871	48,972	188,378	29 per cent.

The company ceased operations at its mines and smelting plant November 26th, 1907, and resumed on June 1st, 1908.

The following are the figures of German consumption of foreign copper for the months of January and October, 1908:—

Imports of copper	135,347 tons.
Exports of copper	7,342 tons.

Consumption of copper 128,005 tons.

as compared with consumption during the same period in 1907 of 96,395 tons. Of this quantity 124,408 tons were imported from the United States.—Reported by L. Vogelstein & Co., New York.

DECREASED PRODUCTION IN 1907.

The total production of gold and silver in the United States in 1907, according to figures published by the United States Geological Survey as the result of conference and adjustment between that bureau and the Bureau of the Mint, was valued at \$127,735,400.

The total production of gold for the year was 4,374,827 fine ounces, valued at \$90,435,700—a decrease, when compared with the production in 1906, of 190,506 fine ounces, worth \$3,939,100.

The production of silver in 1907 amounted to 56,514,700 fine ounces, with a commercial value of \$37,299,700. As compared with the production of 1906 this is a decrease in quantity of 3,200 fine ounces and in value of \$956,700.

SILVER PRICES.

	New York. cents.	London. pence.
December 9	49	22 5-8
December 10	49 1-4	22 3-4
December 11	48 5-8	22 7-16
December 12	48 3-4	22 1-2
December 14	48 3-4	22 1-2
December 15	48 3-4	22 1-2
December 16	48 3-4	22 5-16
December 17	48 3-8	22 5-16
December 18	48 1-4	22 1-4
December 19	48 1-2	22 3-8
December 21	48 5-8	22 7-16
December 22	48 1-2	22 3-8
December 23	48 3-8	22 1-2
December 24	49 3-8	22 3-4

MARKET REPORTS.

December 23:

Connellsville coke, f.o.b., ovens:—
Furnace coke, prompt, \$1.80 to \$1.90.
Foundry coke, prompt, \$2.15.

Metals.

December 23:

Tin, Straits, 29.25 cents.
Copper, prime Lake, 14.37½ cents to 14.50.
Lake arsenical brands, 14.37½ cents to 14.50.
Electrolytic copper, 14.12½ cents.
Copper wire, 15.75 cents.
Lead, 4.20 cents.
Spelter, 5.12½ cents.
Sheet zinc, 7.50 cents.
Antimony, Cookson's, 8.12½ cents.
Aluminium, 24 cents.
Nickel, 40 to 47 cents.
Platinum, \$22.50 to \$23.50 per ounce.
Bismuth, \$1.75 per pound.
Quicksilver, \$45.00 per 75 lb. flask.