

MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICES OF METALS.
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SILVER.

Month.	New York		London.	
	1904	1905	1904	1905
January.....	57.035	60.690	26.423	27.930
February.....	57.592	61.023	26.665	29.047
March.....	56.741	58.046	26.164	26.794
April.....	54.202	56.000	24.974	26.103
May.....	55.430	57.832	25.578	26.664
June.....	55.673	58.428	25.644	26.910
July.....	58.095	58.915	26.760	27.163
August.....	57.806	60.250	26.591	27.822
September.....	57.120	61.635	26.349	28.528
October.....	57.923	.....	26.760	.....
November.....	58.453	.....	26.932	.....
December.....	60.563	.....	27.930	.....
Year.....	57.221	.....	26.399	.....

The New York prices are in cents per fine ounce; the London quotation is in pence per standard ounce, .925 fine.

COPPER IN NEW YORK.

Month.	Electrolytic		Lake.	
	1904	1905	1904	1905
January.....	12.410	15.008	12.553	15.128
February.....	12.063	15.011	12.245	15.136
March.....	12.299	15.125	12.531	15.250
April.....	12.923	14.920	13.120	15.045
May.....	12.758	14.627	13.000	14.820
June.....	12.269	14.673	12.399	14.813
July.....	12.380	14.888	12.605	15.005
August.....	12.343	15.664	12.465	15.725
September.....	12.485	15.965	12.620	15.978
October.....	12.993	.....	13.118	.....
November.....	14.281	.....	14.456	.....
December.....	14.661	.....	14.849	.....
Year.....	12.823	.....	12.990	.....

Prices are in cents per pound. Electrolytic quotations are for cakes ingots and wire bars; cathodes are usually 0.25c. lower.

COPPER IN LONDON.

Month.	1904	1905	Month.	1904	1905
January.....	57.500	68.222	July.....	57.256	66.887
February.....	56.500	67.963	August.....	56.952	69.830
March.....	57.321	68.174	September.....	57.645	69.667
April.....	58.247	67.017	October.....	60.012	.....
May.....	57.321	64.875	November.....	65.085	.....
June.....	56.336	65.651	December.....	66.384	.....
Av., year.....	.....	.....	Av., year.....	59.657	.....

Prices are in pounds sterling, per long ton of 2,240 lb., standard copper.

TIN IN NEW YORK.

Month.	1904	1905	Month.	1904	1905
January.....	28.845	29.825	July.....	26.573	31.760
February.....	28.087	29.262	August.....	27.012	32.866
March.....	28.317	29.523	September.....	27.750	32.095
April.....	28.122	30.525	October.....	28.596	.....
May.....	27.718	30.049	November.....	29.185	.....
June.....	26.325	30.329	December.....	29.286	.....
Av., year.....	.....	.....	Av., year.....	27.956	.....

LEAD IN NEW YORK.

Month.	1904	1905	Month.	1904	1905
January.....	4.347	4.552	July.....	4.192	4.524
February.....	4.375	4.450	August.....	4.111	4.665
March.....	4.475	4.470	September.....	4.200	4.550
April.....	4.475	4.500	October.....	4.200	.....
May.....	4.423	4.500	November.....	4.200
June.....	4.496	4.500	December.....	4.600
Av., year.....	Av., year.....	4.309

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Month.	New York		St. Louis		L'ed'a
	1904	1905	1904	1905	
January.....	4.863	6.190	4.673	6.032	25.063
February.....	4.916	6.132	4.717	5.989	24.594
March.....	5.057	6.067	4.841	5.917	23.825
April.....	5.219	5.817	5.038	5.667	23.813
May.....	5.031	5.434	4.853	5.254	23.594
June.....	4.760	5.190	4.596	5.040	23.375
July.....	4.573	5.396	4.723	5.247	23.828
August.....	4.866	5.706	4.716	5.556	24.675
September.....	5.046	5.887	4.896	5.737	26.375
October.....	5.181	.....	5.033	.....	.....
November.....	5.513	.....	5.363	.....	.....
December.....	5.872	.....	5.720	.....	.....
Year.....	5.100	.....	4.931	.....	.....

MINING MEN AND MATTERS.

Mr. Donald G. Forbes lately examined several mining properties in north-east Kootenay.

Mr. W. S. Keith, well known in the Boundary district, has resigned as superintendent of the Takilma smelter, Takilma, Oregon, U.S.A.

Mr. Wm. M. Brewer returned to Victoria on 9th inst. from an ore-buying trip to south-east Alaska in the interests of the Tye Copper Co., Ltd.

Mr. Roscoe R. Leslie, formerly superintendent of the Le Roi mine, Rosland, and now assistant manager of the Creston-Colorado Mining Co., Torres, Sonora, Mexico, lately returned to British Columbia on a visit.

Mr. R. R. Bruce, manager of the Paradise and Delphine mines, in the Windermere mining division, north-east Kootenay, has returned from a trip to Skagway and mining camps beyond there.

Mr. F. E. Wright, of the United States Geological Survey, who with his brother, Mr. C. W. Wright, has been engaged in geological work in south-eastern Alaska, has concluded his field work for this year and returned to Washington, D.C.

Mr. Jas. Breen, formerly president and manager of the Northwestern Smelting & Refining Co., Crofton, Vancouver Island, but now of Spokane, Washington, was a recent visitor to Victoria and Vancouver.

Mr. Geo. Coffee, manager for the Klondike Gold Fields Mining Co., lately came down from Dawson en route to his home in California. During the winter he will visit London, England.

Mr. Jas. McEvoy, of Fernie, B.C., chief geologist for the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., has been examining coal measures in the Nicola and Similkameen districts. He was accompanied by Mr. O. L. Spencer.

Mr. Howard W. DuBois, who early in the current year was continuing his investigations into the prospects for the production of platinum in the Cariboo district of British Columbia, has returned to Philadelphia, Pa., from a visit to Klondike.

Mr. H. B. Wright, of Fernie, East Kootenay, chief engineer for the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., has been away on a short holiday vacation. During his temporary absence his assistant, Mr. H. Frechette, had charge of the company's engineering department.

Mr. A. H. Gracey, manager of the Eva Gold Mines, Ltd., at Camborne, in the Fish river section of northern Lardeau, has relinquished the management of the Oyster-Criterion, in the same neighbourhood, of which he for a time also had charge.

Major Joly de Lotbiniere, civil and electrical engineer, who has been engaged for some time in India supervising the installation of several large hydro-electric plants, is in Victoria, visiting his father, Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, lieutenant-governor of the province.

Mr. Wm. Griffith, mining engineer and geologist, of Scranton, Pa., who lately returned from Alaska, was a visitor this month to Nanaimo, Vancouver Island, where are situated the collieries of the Western Fuel Co., of San Francisco.

Mr. George White-Fraser is down from Portland canal, at the head of which he spent the summer in charge of a party of 11 men, one of several parties engaged on the work of marking out the boundary line between Canada and the Alaskan territory of the United States.

Mr. R. G. McConnell and his assistant, Mr. F. H. MacIaren, of the Geological Survey Department of Canada, have returned to Ottawa from Yukon Territory, in which country they spent the field-work season of the year in topographical, and general and economic geological work.

Mr. F. M. Tweedie, manager of the Princess Royal Gold Mine Company, owning a mine situated near Surf Inlet, Princess Royal Island, B.C., is down from the north. The steamer Tees on her last trip brought down 1,000 sacks of Princess Royal mine ore for treatment at the Tye Copper Co.'s smelter, Ladysmith.