

groups gold and gold-copper followed practically the same path as the general index. The gold series fell from 60.1 to 49.9 in June, but moved up to 62.7 in December. The gold-copper index receded from 62.5 in January to 47.8 in June and closed the year at 70.9. The silver and miscellaneous group opened the year at 26.5, moved down to 16.8 in June, but again reacted and closed at 21.9 in December.

**13.—Weighted Index Numbers of Prices of Mining Stocks, by Months, January, 1931 to May, 1933.**

(1926=100.)

Year and Month.	Types of Stocks.			
	Gold.	Gold-Copper.	Silver and Miscellaneous.	Total.
Numbers of Stocks.....	11	4	5	20
1931.				
January.....	68.1	74.4	34.1	68.5
February.....	72.0	82.7	36.8	73.3
March.....	72.3	96.7	43.9	77.1
April.....	77.5	103.7	39.2	82.3
May.....	72.9	90.1	35.1	75.9
June.....	68.6	75.1	31.5	69.1
July.....	66.8	79.1	32.0	68.6
August.....	66.0	77.1	33.1	67.8
September.....	62.6	67.8	32.1	63.1
October.....	60.7	58.4	29.4	59.5
November.....	64.4	68.6	32.3	64.6
December.....	59.0	62.4	27.6	59.0
1932.				
January.....	60.1	62.5	26.5	59.7
February.....	57.5	61.2	22.2	57.3
March.....	57.6	63.4	21.4	57.8
April.....	52.6	56.5	18.3	52.4
May.....	50.2	47.9	15.5	48.4
June.....	49.9	47.8	16.8	48.3
July.....	57.2	55.6	21.0	55.6
August.....	58.1	69.7	26.3	59.7
September.....	56.4	81.0	28.4	60.9
October.....	55.0	71.0	24.4	57.5
November.....	58.1	76.5	25.6	60.9
December.....	62.7	70.9	21.9	63.1
1933.				
January.....	66.8	74.7	26.5	67.1
February.....	74.7	84.7	28.1	75.3
March.....	66.6	81.5	28.5	68.4
April.....	72.9	88.6	28.0	74.5
May.....	84.5	116.2	36.5	89.6

**Section 4.—Prices of Services.**

A study of the prices of services sheds considerable light on the cost of living as such services are a considerable item in the average family budget. Information with regard to the trend of street car fares, of rates for manufactured and natural fuel gas, of domestic electric light rates and of telephone charges was published on pp. 801-804 of the 1927-28 Year Book. Later information shows that the prices of manufactured fuel gas have shown a downward tendency, the Dominion index number for 1932 being 95.0, as compared with 100.0 in 1926. The index number of the price of natural fuel gas also declined from 100.0 in 1926 to 92.1 in 1930 but rose again to 94.8 in 1932.