

British Columbia Mining News.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 2.—The smelter expert reported yesterday afternoon from Butte and he announced that he and his associates, Messrs. James Breen and H. C. Bellinger, had definitely decided to erect a smelter which will be capable of treating 400 tons of ore daily, at Osborne Bay, the terminus of the short line of railway which runs from the mines of Mount Slicker to Tidewater, about 40 miles from Victoria. The buildings will be so erected that if necessary the plant can be converted into a 600 ton smelter without any great additional outlay. They will also erect a huge smelting plant so that there will be no shipment of matte, but copper will be turned out at Osborne Bay. Work will be commenced this week and in six months the smelter will be ready to treat ore. Whereas at present the buildings will be erected simultaneously with the smelter so the ore of other coast mines will be treated, although it is expected that the Lenora and Tye mines of Mount Slicker, which are already shipping B.C. ore to the smelters, will be able to keep a 400 ton smelter busy. The tests of the Mount Slicker ore made at Butte were most satisfactory, it being proved that they could be reduced with practically no flux. This circumstance will be the making of the Mount Slicker mining district, and no doubt within a short time other mines of the Lenora and Tye will be getting out ore for shipment. Two other island mines the Haynes and Mount Porters have been contracted to ship largely to the Tacoma and Everett smelters, but before long it is expected that the smelter will be erected to treat the ore of Alberni district, in which three mines are located.

W. H. Masterman, provision merchant, Montreal, died on Monday, at the age of 78.

At a meeting of the council of the Montreal chamber de commerce a resolution was adopted to be sent to the ministers of marine, fisheries, and public works, in favor of giving premiums to encourage the building of iron ships in Canada for navigation on the lakes and the St. Lawrence river.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS OF character and good reputation in each state (one in this country) qualified to represent and advertise old established wealthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$1800 weekly, with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday night, from office. Home and carriage furnished, when necessary. References. Reply to self addressed stamp envelope. Manager, 310 Canton Building, Chicago.

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UNION
TRADE
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Overalls
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OUR GOODS ARE WELL MADE
They will please your customers.
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Send us your orders. Satisfaction guaranteed.

The Hoover Mfg. Co. Ltd.

Maw's River. — Winnipeg.

FOR SALE.

The only Butcher Shop in Ponoka, Alberta. Doing a good business. Equipped for Case & Fisher, Ponoka, Alta.

WANTED

To invest about \$5000 or take a partnership in a well established and growing business. Produce and general merchandise. Apply to Cash, care of The Commercial, Winnipeg.

General Store For Sale.

General store business in Manitoba; stock light and well assorted. Good reasons for selling. Post office in connection. Correspondence solicited. Address Box G, care of Commercial, Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG PRICES CURRENT

GROCERIES

Prices to retail dealers for cash or large lots.

Canned Goods

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Teas

China Blacks—

Medium

Common

Indian or Ceylon—

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Japan—

Finest May Picking

Fine

Common

Tobacco

Per pound

T. & R. 30, 45, and 60 Cds.

Lily, 50 Cds.

Choice No. 1

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