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THE BRIDGE RIVER DISTRICT.

There was some talk in Bridge river about a certain prospector going to locate some property further west of the mineral belt which was said to contain high values in copper, and therefore worthy of notice. Another prospector and mine owner hearing of the matter burst out with the remark, "What in the name of thunder do you want copper for, when you can't sell gold," this remark is a very true one, for really the outside world knows nothing at all about this extremely rich section of our beautiful district of Lillooet, for a man can start at Sucker Creek and literally walk on gold all the way up to the Cardilleras group of claims on Cadwallader.

The principal claims that attract the attention, on account of their fine showing are really situated in an extended line from the South Fork where the Forty Thieves shows up its splendid vein of quartz, until you reach the granite on Harthorne creek which flows into Cadwallader. It is the old, old cry, that ought to be shouted out from one end of this camp to the other and that is "development," "development." For it has already been proven by judicious development work that there are veins in this section that can never be found only, by the continuous digging and drifting to bedrock. The principal formations in which could be called the zone are diorite, schist slate and porphyry, backed on Mount Ferguson by an immense body of quartzite. In occasional places bedrock jets out of the exceedingly heavy deposit of hardpan and decomposed porphyry (the supposed lava from a extinct volcano) and in a very few instances leads have been discovered in these places, but where the prospector gets into work, that is work, is when he undertakes to find the blind leads that are secreted beneath this hard cemented layer of clay hardpan. It is exceedingly interesting to note the different compositions of this district. It really shows how little we know of nature in all its peculiar eccentricities.

On the Silver Crown mineral claim an open cut was run 18 ft. in giving a depth of 10 ft. and bedrock was not reached. However on the adjoining claim a cut was made and at four feet bedrock was tapped and a fine vein of quartz disclosed for a distance of over 30 feet. This goes to illustrate that the deposit is not uniform. Again on the Derry and the Boyne claims five cuts were put in, most of them over twelve feet and bedrock found with quartz float in all the cuts on bedrock, except the last cut, therefore the prospector intends to continue his work in the last cut that show quartz. The property owned by Messrs. Russell & Manderville has an excellent showing of an 18 inch vein in a contact of diorite and slate, the slate being exceedingly decomposed, this vein carries high values and will probably be one of the best mines in the section if thoroughly developed. The Pioneer mineral claim has also a splendid vein of ribbon quartz in the diorite which carries very high values. The Countless vein has been flagged from there on to the Pioneer, which will give the Pioneer another lead of surprisingly rich quartz. The Countless has two veins running parallel with each other, the upper one being about four feet wide and entirely shotted with gold. This vein lies in a contact of diorite and porphyry and has been traced in the opposite direction down to the Bend'Or mines 2,000 feet and discovered the same vein still carrying its width and also its high values, as the last cleanup at the Bend'Or Mines goes to prove.

At the Bend'Or a ten stamp mill is kept going night and day and when one sees the plates clotting up as they do in this mill, the future of the district looks still more brilliant. Everything is busy in this particular section and goes with the regularity of clock work. It seems a great pity to see the ground of the Ida May Company all quiet and as silent as a graveyard.

The group of claims owned by Glenn & Richardson, notably the Alhambra, Nighthawk and Metropolitan, are well arranged for any large company to undertake to work. The Alhambra carries a fine body of quartz carrying gold and another vein has been discovered which shows gold in abundance.

It is a true saying "That the proof of the pudding is the eating thereof," and now that we hear so much of gold being in quartz, we come to the Woodchuck and Lorne groups and see them extracting the precious metal by the primitive method of arrastras. Round goes the wheel impelled by the rushing waters, and around the tubs swing the drags, which seem to be grumbling and rumbling, swishing and washing. E. J. Taylor keeps the arrastra well fed with the best of ore from the fine ledge on the Woodchuck. The ledge is well exposed by industrious work and can be seen in various places to great advantage, showing up between well defined walls and in one place carrying a gouge, that is bluish green in color and also carrying lots of precious metal.

The Lorne is a scene of activity and the arrastras swing around and around never stopping until cleanup day arrives, then the drags are lifted out of the tubs and the slime is run into sluice boxes, thence into slum pits where it is saved and will eventually be worked as concentrates. When all the water is out of the tub the bed of the tub is carefully scraped and eventually cleaned off with a towel until it looks like a floor of polished marble. Then the crevices are started open and all the amalgam gold is taken out with spoons and scrapers and placed into pans and handed to Dan Hurley who finally pans and washes it clean, with one eye on the pickle bottle and the other on the little bad man of Bridge river, in consequence of which he got a kind of a cast in his eyes. In about three hours everything is ready again, the bed is carefully laid, the drags replaced, with chains attached to the arms, the belt put on and round they go grinding out a fortune for the owners.

There is gold all around you and capital is still reticent in investing its money into properties that are dividend payers from the grass roots. There is no doubt whatever of this district will be one of the biggest gold producers in the province. JAS. H. S. ROWBOTTOM.

Mr. Wm. Cumming and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bell went up to Portage creek Thursday on a fishing excursion and succeeded in making a good catch.

News of the Mines

Arthur F. Noel returned from Vancouver Tuesday evening, where he had been with last month's cleanup of the Bend'Or Mines. He left for the mines Wednesday morning to be gone for a few weeks.

A. A. Brett returned this week from McGillivray from the Anderson Lake Mining property. The mine is looking good and the mill is running, having about fifteen tons daily run through. It is expected that the cleanup will be made this week.

The dredge at Horse Beef bar has closed down after working several weeks. Considerable trouble was had with the machinery and the pumps are not large enough to supply, the water for washing the dirt. Probably in the spring new arrangements will be made for working the leases. Mr. P. W. McKenzie, who has been connected with the dredge for the past year will leave shortly for the east.

Mr. Jas. D. Chaplin of St. Catherines, Ont., F. C. Tireman of Vancouver, and H. F. Brown of San Francisco, Cal., arrived in town last Friday evening and left next day for the Toronto-Lillooet Gold Reefs Company's property on Cayoosh creek, in company with Col. G. T. Rives, superintendent of the works. Mr. Chaplin and Mr. Tireman after spending a few days at the mine returned to town and left by stage for the coast. They were well pleased in the manner the work has been conducted and it is the intention to increase the plant, with stronger machinery at an early date Mr. H. F. Brown is connected with the Union Iron works of San Francisco, and has remained at the mill for the past week inspecting the machinery. The mill at the present time is shut down owing to the new rolls not working satisfactory. The men at the mine are continuing development work and it is the intention also to run tunnels in at lower levels to tap the ledges.

A. S. Brackett, M. D., who has been in the Bridge River section the past season, returned to town the first of the week and left for his home in San Francisco. Monday morning. During the season he and his partners did considerwork on the hydraulic mines secured by them on the South Fork. The floods, and high water delayed proceedings, having carried out the dam and wrecked the works considerable, and as a result they were unable to do any mining this season. The water ditch four miles long was put in good shape and sluice boxes, etc., are all ready for work as soon as water can be turned on in the spring. The pipe and machinery for their hydraulic plant arrived at its destination, the 29th of August, having been delayed on account of the trails being impassible, has been stored away and will be put in position the first thing in the spring. Work will be commenced on the benches and the river proper will be used for the debris. The Scum Scum ground secured by Dr. Brackett and associates is very rich and different parties have attempted to work the river bed, but owing to the dam breaking were unable to control the water any length of time. Two years ago Messrs. Glenn & Richardson built a dam which stood until this season, when the extremely high freshets took it away, and it was on account of this the present people were unable to do anything this season. Dr. Brackett is well pleased with the country and predicts a great future for the Bridge River section. As soon as the attention of capitalists is drawn to it, it is bound to go ahead as there is no reason why such a rich mineral belt as runs through the Bridge River district should lie dormant. Capitalists if they would only visit this district would not hesitate in taking hold of the properties. Next season Dr. Backett and associates will probably take over some of the quartz claims and open them up. He expects to return early in the spring and commence operations on the Scum Scum hydraulic property.

Hunter Jack on the Warpath.

Dr. Brackett of San Francisco, had a rather exciting experience on the trail in the Bridge river district a couple weeks ago, when Hunter Jack, a well-known bad Indian threatened his life. The doctor had been up to the mines and while returning to his camp at the Scum Scum, met Hunter Jack and another Indian on the trail coming towards him. Being acquainted with them he stopped and enquired about Jack's daughter, who had been missing for a few days. Jack was more or less intoxicated and at once commenced to abuse and threaten the doctor and was in the act of reaching for his gun, when the doctor, who always carries his gun in his coat pocket, had him covered. Jack seeing he was beat quieted down and moved along the trail in obedience to the doctor's orders. The other Indian took no part and tried to get Jack to desist. Continuing on his way to camp the doctor turned and noticed Jack returning alone on horseback, he drew to one side and when Jack came along, was prepared for him and ordered him along the trail ahead of him, keeping a close eye on him until he was well out sight and the doctor at camp. After the second attempt no more trouble was encountered.

Hunter Jack is a well known Indian, having a very unsavory reputation, and as this is not his first offence, something should be done to put a stop to molesting people along the trails. If it had not been for Dr. Brackett's cool nerve, no doubt Jack would have been more desperate and had he made a move when the doctor had him covered, he would now be in the happy hunting grounds, where he should have been years ago if he had received his dues.

The weather has again changed from cold to fine and the chances are for a few weeks good weather yet this season.

Emma Jane Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall, has been on the sick list for the past week.

Song service, Sunday evening 21st.

WHAT ONLOOKER THINKS.

The challenge of the Lillooet Baseball team, to the Kamloops club, published in last week's Prospector calls for a few remarks about baseball and how it is played. Since the inception of the Lillooet Baseball club, the team has played three games, winning one, losing one, and one a draw; and there is no one who will deny that Lillooet should have won all three, if the team had received fair treatment. There is plainly something wrong somewhere, and we think the fault is in the game. Baseball is a good game for professionals—men who make a living at it, but in professional games, not only the umpire, but each individual player is bound by hard and fast rules. A man is often fined $10 for "back talk" or "chewing the rag." An umpire dare not deliberately give a wrong decision for his position—a salaried one—depends entirely on his proficiency in umpiring, under such circumstances the game is not so bad, but still it isn't true sport. But when all restrictions are removed there is absolutely no guarantee of fair play. Wrangling may continue indefinitely, and the result is generally not a true criterion of the merits of the team. And is a game that cannot be played without cast-iron restrictions a game worth playing? Is it common sense for a team to play a rival town when they are extremely liable to have the game stolen from them, and they are powerless to hinder it? We say no. Baseball is not our national game and rightly so for crookedness is certainly not a Canadian characteristic.

Sport i. e. true sport should be encouraged in every possible way and we are glad to notice our boys practising lacrosse. Lacrosse is a very fine game, not rough unless it is made so, and besides it is our national game. The boys of Lillooet could play lacrosse as well as they play baseball and if they should ever play a match they may be sure that the best side will win.

A few words more about Sabbath observance. Is it necessary that the young men should practise on Sunday? They have plenty of time during the week and could surely dispense with it for that day. It is not intended to preach a sermon at all, but a Sabbath viewed from a merely secular standpoint, is a great boon to humanity and should be held in great respect. ONLOOKER.

Suicide or Murder?

Word reached town the first of the week from Cadwallader, of the death of "Julia Ann" an Indian girl about 20 years of age, and daughter of Hunter Jack. The girl was a well known character in that section and it seems had been missing for several days when found in a cabin hanging by the neck. A case of suicide was the story brought to town, but the authorities will investigate fully into her death, the coroner being at present at the Mission on Seaton lake, where the body was brought by friends and relatives.

E. O. Delong returned from a weeks visit from the coast Thursday.

Dr. Sanson will return from Clinton

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1900.

Lillooet district has had another experience in the lack methods of the distribution of intoxicants to the Indians. This time it is in the Bridge River section, and as a result an Indian woman by the name of "Julia Ann" was found hung in a lonely cabin a short distance from the mines on Cadwallader creek. The probably theory is suicide, which no doubt was the cause of her death, although there seems to be a difference of opinion, and a thorough investigation will be made into the cause of her death. The Indians in the Bridge river district receive whisky with impunity and no steps have been made to stop them receiving intoxicants. Last week the father of the deceased girl, while in a drunken state threatened the life of a mining man operating in that section, and had it not been for the cool nerve of the man, the Indian no doubt would have killed him. Not only in the Bridge river do the Indians receive liquor, but nearly every section of the district is the same way and hardly a day or week passes but drunken Indians can be encountered. It is time that some radical measures were adopted to put a stop to the Indians receiving liquor, and the small fines, when the party is brought up, do not seem to have any terror to the people who ply their iniquitious trade. Give the full extent of the law and spare neither white or colored and the giving of liquor to Indians will be decreased. For years the government have received a large revenue from open prostitution of the Indian woman, who inhabit "China Alley" by arresting them and imposing a fine, The women having no funds are usually turned loose and as a result, would at once make for the "China Alley" where they would endeavor to raise the funds to pay their fine, by prostituting themselves to whites and Chinamen. It is a nice state of affairs, and in the scums of the worst dens in the world, this section of the town can hold its own with the most of them.

Kamloops has had experience the last few years in several shooting scrapes on account of drunken Indians, and the same may be repeated any time in Lillooet and from the warnings from other districts, and happenings local, it is time the authorities were to assert themselves and not see how much revenue can be derived from drunken Indians and Indian women, but to look after the safety of the lives of the citizens and the moral welfare of the whole district. Probably the attorney-general may take the initiative in the matter.

Owners of claims who have sufficient work done should secure crown grants for their claims. A clear title to a property goes a long way in making a deal, and shows confidence by the owners and the parties dealing with them. Many claims in this district have enough work to justify a crown grant and the owners should not delay in making application and having their properties secure from adverse claimants. Quite often trouble is experienced over trivial matters and technical errors in the ownership of mineral claims, and when a crown grant is issued the owner or owners can rest with ease as to the title of their claims.

The South African war is over and the Canadian contingent are on their way [illegible] and upholding the rights of the empire. Canada and other colonies have shown their loyalty to the mother country in more than words can tell, and have assisted in uniting, more than ever, the greatest empire in history. The Canadians only did their duty and if the occasion should arise again will be the first to answer the call.

The large and continuous ore bodies throughout the district will eventually, and in a very short time, make Lillooet district one of the best mining camps in the province.

The Man Who Means Business.

The fact that Lord Kitchener is shortly to take supreme command in South Africa leads us to surmise that the recalcitrant Boers will find the guerilla business no picnic.—London News.

W. MacClain, received the nomination of the U.S.L., party, the Canadian Socialist League, also the joint provincial convention, for the Westminster district, will proceed forthwith to open up his campaign. A challenge will be issued to both Liberal and Conservative candidates to meet him in public debate at New Westminster at an early date.

The Emerson Journal has been requested by a young bachelor of the town to offer the following special prize for competition at the Emerson fair: For the best couple of lemon pies, made by an unmarried lady, under 25 years of age, $10; both the pies and baker to become the property of the donor.

Mr. Aulay Morrison, M. P., was unanimously renominated Wednesday by the Liberals of Westminster district as their standard bearer in the approaching Federal elections.

Mayor Garden of Vancouver has accepted the nomination for the conservative party for Burrard. The campaign is now on and the chances for Mayor Garden's election is good.

The anglican synod for New Westminster diocese will meet at New Westminster on Oct. 17 and 18, Right Rev. Dr. Dart, bishop of the diocese, presiding.

The conservatives have nominated Ex-Governor Dewdney to oppose Aulay Morrison, Liberal, at the coming Dominion election for Westminster district.

F. J. Deane, ex-M.P.P., Kamloops, has been appointed secretary to the Royal Chinese Commission.

Canadian Casualties.

Ottawa, Ont., 6.—Militia department was advised by Sir. Alfred Milner this morning that 370, Private E. Seymour, Strathconas Horse, was severely wounded at Krugersport on October 1st. 242, Private F. M. Okelly, Second Batalion C. M. R., formerly of the mounted police, is dead, Private Seymour, is the is the eldest son of the Marquis of Hertford. The young chap is a pretty lively character, and cut up to such an extent one evening at Lanedowne Parke here, that Colonel Steele sentenced him to one month's imprisonment. The Marquis and Marchioness came out to Canada to bid their son goodbye, and to spare their feelings, Seymour was pardoned. O'Kelly's relatives are in Ireland.

Lord Seymour is well known in the East Riding of Lillooet and Chilcoten, having lived there for the past year. He enlisted at Kamloops.

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The Cost of War.

An actuarial correspondent of the London Times thus analyses the losses by the war in South Africa. The mean strength of the British Army in South Africa including all forces, whether Imperial, Colonial or volunteers, may be taken to have been 5,350 officers and 188,000 non-commissioned officers and men. The deaths have been: Officers killed or died, of wounds, 380; died of disease, 160—total 540. Non-commissioned officers and men killed or died of wounds, 3,490: died of disease, 5,980—total 9,560. The rate of mortality were as follows:—Of the officers 72.1 per 1 000 were killed or died of wounds, and 80.6 per 1,000 died from disease—total 102.7 per 1,000. Of the non-commissioned officers and men 19 per 1,000 perished in battle or died of wounds and 31.5 per 1,000 died of disease—total. 50.8 per 1,000.

Canada at Paris.

Thirty-tree grand prizes, one hundred and sixty-nine gold and silver medals, not to mention bronze medals and honorable mentions, is a pretty good record for the dominion of six million inhabitants, and with three thousand miles of ocean separating it from the place of exhibition. It is a better record than has been attained by any other country exhibiting at Paris, bar none. Even the United States, whose showings in the list of awards was so conspicuous as to lead the American papers to claim for that country to premier positions among the foreign nattions, fail to make as relatively good a showing as did Canada. This result cannot but be gratifying to Canadians at large, irrespectively of party or section, for it has made the dominion better known abroad, and her product and manufacturers better appreciated.

The lesson was from the "Progical son" and the Sunday school teacher was dwelling on the character of the elder brother.

"But amidst all the rejoicing," he said, "there was one to whom the preparation of the feast brought no joy, to whom the prodigal's return gave no pleasure, but only bitterness; one who did not approve of the feast being held, and who had no wish to attend it. Now, can any of you tell me who this was?"

There was a breathless silence, followed by a vigorous cracking of thumbs, and then from a dozen sympathetic little geniuses came the chorus:

"Please, sir, it was the fatted calf."—

Our Boys Remain.

Ottawa, Oct. 3.—A cablegram was received this morning from Lieut.-Col. Biggar, dated Capetown, Oct, 2nd, stating that the returning portion of the First Contingent has sailed by the Idaho and will be due at Halifax about Oct 25th. The following officers accompany the troops· Major Pelletier and Wilson; Captain Rogers, Stairs, Barker, Fraser and Fullerton; Lieutenant Marshall, Stewart, Laurie, Leduc, Pelletier, MacDonald, Kaye, Oleand and Winter. A and B companies remain. Lieut. Col. Biggar also states that No. 7655, Pte. R. Laconteur, was killed en route.

A Prosperous Bank.

The general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of British North America was held in London recently and the chairman in the course of his remarks made the statement that the deposits and current accounts of the bank evidenced steady and continuous progress. The cause of the increase in business is attributed to the general activity in trade in the Dominion, but more particularly to the amount of notes which have been required for the purchase of gold dust and other purposes at the recently established northern branches.

Once there was a millionaire.

His friends said: "What good is your money if you are not in politics?"

So he went into politics.

In a short time he was a politician, but he was not a millionaire.

Then when he wished to run office, they hooted:

"Why do you want to mix in politics when you have no money?"

Moral: "Huh?"—Baltimore American.

Jonh Taylor, an inmate of the Provincial Home, died on Saturday morning, aged 78 years. Deceased came to the Home from Gladwin near Lytton. last June. He had been a resident in British Columbia for 43 years, and a greater portion of the time had lived in or near Lytton. He was an Englishman by birth. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, Rev. E. P. Flewelling officiating.—Sentinel.

Manitoba's New Premier.

At the caucus of the conservative members of the Legislature, held at Winnipeg last Wednesday, Mr. R. P. Roblin, M.P P., for Woodlands, was selected as the successor to Hon. Hugh John McDonald, who has retired from the Manitoba Premiership to enter Dominion politics. Mr. McDonald favored the promotion of Treasurer Davidson.

Anti-British Candidate.

Mr. Bourassa is causing much trouble in the government. He has sent a letter to the French-Canadian Liberal candidates, asking them to support him in his anti-Imperial crusade. The government had to interfere by warning its Quebec supporters not to pay any attention to him.

Peace.

A special despatch from Capetown save that the United States Consul-General Stowe, who goes to the United States shortly on leave of absence, and expressed the opinion that peace will be proclaimed on October 10, the anniversary of the commencement of hostilities in South Africa.

First Traveler—Can we have beds here tonight?

Obliging Hostess— Oh, yes, sir.

First Traveler—Have you—er—any—er—insects in this house?

Obliging Hostess—No, sir: but we can get you some.—Punch.

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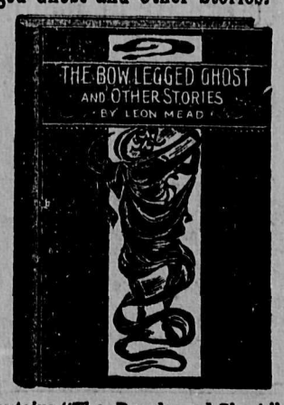

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LOCAL NEWS

"By Pavilion Roller Flower."

Chief Justice McColl is holding court of assize at Clinton today.

Jas. B. Uren left Saturday morning for Ashcroft on a business trip and will return this week.

The Clinton races on Wednesday and Thursday were well attended and the races came off well.

R. H. Brett returned the first of the week from Cadwallader where he had been with the mail.

C. Phair, mining recorder, assessor and collector, is in the Bridge River district on government business.

James Amess who has been in charge of the dredge at Horse Beef bar for the past few months left for the coast last week.

Rev. J. Wright returned from a few days visit to McGillivray creek and was well pleased with the mining in that section.

George Doherty returned this week from Cadwallader where he had been working with Jas. Brett on the Gold Farm group of claims.

P. V. Heath, Chas. Noel Jos. Russell, Wm. Findlay J. G. Walker, and Wm. Johnson left this week for Clinton for the assize, being summoned on the jury.

Mrs. Kinder who has been visiting her son Fred. H. Kinder at Cayoosh creek for the past few months, left the first of the week for her home in the east.

Ivan Walker who has been in Lillooet for the past ten months left Tuesday morning for Winnipeg where he will meet his brother and will take up ranching in the North west.

Gib. Ward was in town this week and reports having his place at the ferry in first class shape for accommodating the travelling public, horses, etc. This season he has a good crop and abundance of hay and feed.

Dr. Clarke is an expert fishermen and this week secured in Cayoosh creek some beauties, weighing over four pounds. Lillooet can boast of fine trout fishing and also disciples of Walton who can cast a fly and land the speckled beauties with the best of them.

At one of the hotels last week a bottle of alcohol, used for the lamp at the bar for lighting cigars, mysteriously disappeared. Some time after the proprietor while going through one of the rooms upstairs came across the missing bottle of alcohol. It is presumed that some individual who needed liquid fluid purloined the wrong bottle, but as it was rather strong left it untouched.

Mr. Jos. Watkinson of Foster's bar was in town for a few days this week.

Alex McDonald of the Hotel Victoria returned from a weeks visit at the coast.

D. L. Morgan of Vancouver was a visitor in town this week for a few days.

Mr. S. Brookes, of Kamloops, representing the Inland Cigar factory was in town this week on business for the firm.

Mr. D. Hamilton came down from Cadwallader the first of the week where he has been working for the past few months. He left again for the mines Thursday morning.

Thanksgiving service will be held in the Methodist church, on Thursday evening the 18th. On Sunday 20th song service will be held in the evening. Everybody is cordially invited.

W. E. Brett and sister Miss. E. Brett who has recently arrived from the east, came up from the coast Saturday evening. Miss Brett is visiting with her sister-in-law Mrs. Thos. A. Brett.

John Gibson and Jas. Rowbottom returned from Cadwallader the first of the week, where they have been some time doing assessment work on mineral claims for outside parties. James Rowbottom left for the North Fork Wednesday.

Any person in town wishing to go out on the bus in the morning, or have any freight, would confer a favor by leaving word at the Pioneer hotel the evening previous. The bus leaves town sharp 8 o'clock every morning when there are any passengers or freight.

An old time Cariboo man, "Twelve Foot" Davis died last month at Fort Vermillion on Peace River. His nickname is said to have arisen from the incident of his staking a twelve foot fraction in Cariboo which had not been located, which turned out very valuable. He was quiet blind for over a year before his death.

Just about one year ago Mrs. J. P. Forde lost a ring which she wore, and at the time numerous people hunted every possible place that the ring might have been lost. Nothing was heard of the ring until last Friday, when Mr. S. A. Macfarlane was standing on the Main street talking with an acquaintance, he unconsciously bored a hole in the hard ground with the tip of the umbrella he had in his hand, and on withdrawing it discovered the ring circling the umbrella tip. On cleaning the ring of the dirt, and showing it to relatives of Mrs. Forde they at once recognized it as the ring she lost. The ring was fully a couple inches under the ground and having been dropped by its owner was probably stepped on and embedded into the ground and was gradually being covered over. It was a strange occurrence and the finding of the ring was one chance in a million, had not Mr. Macfarlane accidently unearthed it in such a strange manner. The ring was turned over to its owner, being pleased to secure the lost keepsake.

Wm. F. Allen returned from the Pioneer claim on Cadwallader last Sunday after an absence of a few months. He reports the Pioneer as looking first rate.

Mr. Jas. H. Kidder of Boston, Mass., arrived in town the first of the week by special stage from Lytton and left Wednesday morning with pack horses and Indian guides for a few weeks hunt in the vicinity of the North Fork of Bridge river.

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Take notice that I, Alfred Wellington Smith, free miner's certificate No. 18032, intend, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the mining recorder for a certificate of improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a crown grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 37, must be commenced before the issuance of such certificate of improvements.

Dated this fourth day of October 1900.

A. W. SMITH.

Dissolution Notice.

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