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THE BEND'OR CLEANUP.

Bullion is Brought to Lillooet From the First Cleanup. Nineteen Days Run.

On Monday afterno n J.M. Mackinnon and Arthur F. Noel arrived in town from the Bend'Or mines on Cadwallader creek, bringing with them the cleanup of the rock put through the ten-stamp mill. They left the Bend'Or mines about 8 o'clock Sunday morning, accompanied by Mr. A. Woods, representative of the Wm. Hamilton M'f'g. Co., remaining over night at the Big Horn ranch, and arriving at the head of Seaton lake about noon, Monday. The steamer Minnehaha was on hand, decorated for the occasion, and conveyed the party and a few of our citizens who had gone up to meet them, to the foot of the lake, when the party drove to town. The rigs had been decorated for the occasion, by the drivers, and was much of a surprise to the party.

The mill at the Bend'Or was started up the afternoon of August 24 h, and continued until the morning of Sept. 15, with three days' broken time, the actual running time being 19½ days. The rock put through was an average of the tunnel for a distance of four hundred feet, and considerable waste dirt and rock was mixed with it in the dump, as the winter rains and snow washed the debris into the dump, which had been laying there for nearly two years. The amount of rock crushed was 420 tons, which gave an average of from $25 to $30 a ton in free gold; the tailings not yet having been treated, the values are unknown, but, from all appearances, seem to be rich; the percentage of concentrates will be large, and as near as can be arrived at, one ton to five free-milling, or about 20 per cent.

This cleanup was only a partial one, the plates not being thoroughly cleaned or the mortar, and a general cleanup will be made later this fall.

The mill was only stopped for a short time, and was started up again on the 16th for another run, and will operate continuously until winter finally sets in, although there will be several cleanups before then. The mill run very satisfactory, and no trouble to speak of was had, the machinery being placed in first-class shape. The water power is excellent, and the company have sufficient for their wants and to run any additional machinery they may put in.

At the mine work is going on steady and satisfactory. No. 1 tunnel is in 620 feet; ore on top of tunnel at highest point and ore in stope. The tunnel is timbered, and the chute is ready to break ore. It is estimated that there are several thousand tons of rich ore in the upper workings, and six men are at present sufficient to break ore to keep the mill running, although a number of men are kept at work doing development work on the property.

No. 2 tunnel, 100 feet below No. 1 tunnel, has been driven 236 feet and tapped the ledge Sept. 15th, showing a fine body of ore 3 feet wide, all of which shows free gold. The ore is very rich, and now being taken from a depth of 300 feet, still retains its free-milling qualities. The fact of striking the ledge at this distance is proof of its continuance with a true fissure vein.

The company have been fortunate enough to acquire the Mabel fraction adjoining the Bend'Or boundary line on the west, and gives them a distance of 800 feet more on the line of the ledge. They also have options on the Lorne and Alhambra groups, about a mile and a half distant from the Bend'Or. Much has been written about the Lorne group, but too much cannot be said in its favor. From July 20th until this week, in the eighborhood of $8,000 will have been taken out with an arrastra. The owners have the ledge exposed on the surface for 110 feet, which averages 4 feet in width, and have sunk on it a distance of 30 feet, and it continues to hold its values and width. The Lorne, no doubt, will be a valuable addition to the Bend'Or holdings. The Alhambra, adjoining the Lorne group, with the work done this spring, has shown it up to be a wonderfully rich property, and the ledge has been stripped for a considerable distance, and showing up over 4000 tons of ore in sigh , which will average $20 per ton. With these properties secured by the Bend'Or company, it will add about 300 acres to the original ground owned by them. We doubt whether there is another property in British Columbia which have the showings and the wealth in sight as has this company on Bridge river. It is estimated that there is half a million dollars of ore in sight, which is not an exaggeration by any means, and the investing public could not have a better proposition laid before them. It is only the course of a short time when the Bridge river will have the largest proposition working in the province, and with the amount of rich rock in sight dividends can not be far off. The Bend'Or company are always willing for any practical mining man to visit and look over the property, and the more practical the man is, the better.

Westminster Leads.

According te a recent despatch from Ottawa, the Fifth Regiment, Garrison Artillery, comes out on top in the comparative efficiency returns. Out of a possible 728 marks, No. 1 Company (New Westminster) scored 220; No. 2, 213; No. 3, 214. The First Battalion scored as follows: No. 1 Company, 167½; No. 2, 160; No. 3, 194. Each of these companies lost marks, owing to the absence of officers. It will be seen that the two Vancouver companies were not very far behind their Westminster competitors, but the Victoria companies do not rank well, owing to the absence of officers. The success of t e Second Battallion is all the more noteworthy, seeing that this is the last year they could compete as Garrison Artillery. The New Westminster Company is now officially proclaimed the most efficient garrison artillery corps in the Dominion.

The Canadian Mining Institute met at Nelson on Wednesday and passed a resolution expressing its disapproval of the eight hour law in mines. The remark of a Mr. Mann, that the day should be divided in three parts of eight hours each for work, recreation and rest, created much amusement.

The water in the Fraser river still continues to keep up and the dredger has been unable to do any work the past week. It is not expected that any work will be done for a few weeks.

McGILLIVRAY CREEK.

Parties Now Examining the Brett Claims to Put on a Stamp Mill.

The Brett group of claims have an excellent showing, and with the development work done show up well. Two tunnels have been driven, one about 250 feet, and the other over 100. On the upper claim an open cut has been made, and, from this, rock has been taken which was half gold. In the two tunnels considerable free gold has been found, and rock taken from any part, by pounding and panning, gold can be found. The ledge averages from nine to twelve feet in width, and on the dump is a large quantity of rock which could keep a mill going for some time. Water is very handy, and sufficient power can be obtained for any quantity of machinery that can be put in. With a mill on this property there is no doubt but what the owners will receive good returns. The probabilities are that Mr. Ward will come to terms with the owners, and if so, a ten-stamp mill will be put on as soon as possible. A wagon road will have to be built from the lake to the claims, a distance of over two miles. If satisfactory to Mr. Ward, work will commence at once, bringing the water for power, excavating for the mill, and making the road for taking the machinery in. McGillivray creek will be all right, and before long will be a busy camp. Besides the Brett group there are a number of other fine looking claims which have had work done on them this season, and at present a man representing a Vancouver syndicate is at work with some men doing development work.

The Gold Bug group, across the creek from the Brett property, but on the same ledge, has had the assessment work done lately, and is showing up good, the owners being well pleased with the prospects. A trail on an easy grade has been made to the lake, and access to the property is no v easy, the distance being a little over a mile. This group of claims, with further development, will prove a good property. By paning this rock gold colors are obtained.

The distance from Lillooet to these claims is about 35 miles, and can be made easy in a day's trip. About 30 miles of the journey can be made by water over Seaton and Anderson lakes, and the taking in of machinery will be an easy matter, the only trouble to be encountered being from the mouth of the creek to the claims.

A Great Obstruction.

Editor Prospector:—It might be of interest to the public at large to know that the people interested in our lake traffic need better connection between Seaton and Anderson lakes. A small portage of one mile keeps steamboats from landing their freight right at the foot of some of the richest mines in this province. A great many of these properties have been sufficiently developed to justify capitalists putting machinery on the ground. If this barrier of one mile were now removed, steamers would be able to make a straight run of 36 miles, landing freight at all the mines throughout the lake district. It would save many dollars for the prospector, and facilitate the rapid development of our mining industry. If some of our politicians would take this matter in hand at once, and use some of their great influence in favor of this project, we would soon see steamboats running through from one lake to the other. According to the statement of a local government contractor, the work can be accomplished for a comparatively small sum.

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Seaton Lake, Sept. 18th, 1899.

LOCAL NEWS.

Born.—On Friday, September 15th, at Lillooet, B. C., to the wife of H. Hodge, a daughter.

The boys are around soliciting funds for the baseball club, to defray incidental expenses.

Miss Ieline Cherry went up to the Cache Wednesday, and will remain a few days visiting Mrs. J. Preston Forde.

Mike Gaynor left last Monday morning, via Lytton, for a trip to Spokane, to be absent a few weeks.

James Brett is at present doing assessment work on claims owned by himself and brothers on Cadwallader.

James McKivor and John Arthur left Wednesday morning for McGillivray creek, to work on claims for Vancouver parties.

The fall assize was held at Clinton yesterday. The Wilson cattle case of Ashcroft was on. Attorney-General Henderson was in attendance.

Rev. W. W. Hardie and James Sanson will arrive from Clinton this afternoon and hold service in Methodist church Sunday morning.

H. Francis Twiss arrived on Monday's stage, from Ashcroft, and left Wednesday morning for McGillivray creek to look over some claims for Vancouver parties.

Col. G. T. Rives, superintendent of the work going on up Cayoosh creek, left Wednesday morning via Lytton, for Vancouver, on company's business. He expects to return in a week's time.

Reports from the Woodchuck claim on Cadwallader, are very good. E. J. Taylor, one of the owners, has been doing development work lately, and has shown the property up to better advantage.

A traveling comic minstrel, consisting of two men and a dog, entertained the re-idents of Lillooet for two nights this week in S ntini's hall. The hall was well filled both nights. The second evening, after the entertainment, a dance was held.

The Lytton-Lillooet road will be open for through traffic by the first week of October. Work has been going on in first-class shape, and rock work is being put in such a condition that no trouble will be had from sliding rocks. All d ngerous places are being taken down, which accounts for the delay in finishing the work.

R. T. Ward, of the Horsefly Hydraulic mine, arrived in town Wednesday evening. He left next morning for McGillivray creek, accompanied by John Marshall, Wm. E. and T. A. Brett, to examine the Brett group of claims, with the intention to put a ten-stamp mill on the property for an interest. Mr. Ward is well-known to old timers in this section, having been here in early days, and for the past few years operating in the Horsefly, with success.

Good Old Lillooet.

That the future prosperity of Lillooet will be attained through the practical hard labor of its own miners, is now plain enough to all. Outside capital has cut no figure in demonstrating the value of our mines. It has been left to the personal endeavor of a few men in our midst to prove the value of this district as a mining field. Within a few months we have proved that there are mines in our midst that will pay dividends without the assistance of outside capital, and better still, this has been accomplished by the common miner at a time when Lillooet was condemned by a majority of the mining "experts" along the coast. The unfavorable reports by these men did much towards retarding the progress of this district; these adverse opinions had been passed upon properties that have since proved rich beyond all expectation. It served to dishearten men from developing their properties, and turned the prospector into other and less profitable fields. Better by far had these "experienced" M. E.'s kept their opinions to themselves; they would not be exposed to the ridicule they now are by the sudden developn ent of some of the richest mines in the country, recently pronounced worthless by themselves. Should outside capital come into our midst, voluntarily, well and good; there is plenty of scope for it. But we are not going to twist our necks in search of the capitalist. Lillooet has lately tottered on the ragged edge of adversity, owing to the machinations of people who had but their own private ends to serve. Now that we are fully capable of paddling our own canoe to a prosperous haven, we are not anxious to again encounter the treacherous wake of the mining shark and his too-often inexperienced "expert."

There seems to be hope for the Lillooet district yet, as eastern capitalists have secured some of the best properties on Cayoosh creek, and are developing them, notably the Ample, where some work was done long ago by that wonderfully unsuccessful company, the Horne-Payne syndicate. There is no doubt that there are good properties in the district, but the quartz veins roll in and out very suddenly as veins in slate often do, and the slate itself is sometimes of more value than the quartz. This renders careful oversight of the work most necessary. The district, however, has the advantage of good water-power, and the steepness of the mountains will obviate the necessity of sinking in most ca es. It is only a matter of time when the heart of that mining district will be opened by a railroad coming in either along the Fraser from Lytton, or up the valley of Anderson river from the head of Harrison lake.—Kamloops Mining Gazette.

Mrs. Robt. Cumming returned to Pavilion last week from New Westminster where she had been visiting relatives for several weeks.

A special B. X. stage arrived in town yesterday aftertoon with a commercial traveler.

Reports received this week says Dreyfus was pardoned on the 19th.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1899.

The mining men who have visited Bridge river and have given such unfavorable reports on properties will, no doubt, now feel somewhat taken back when they hear of the success of the same and other properties in the district. They were very free in saying that there was nothing in the district and distributed it far and wide. Supposed mining men have done more to keep the district back than anything else, and if the district had, a short time ago, practical men, the whole country would have been better off. Last year a property was bonded for $15,000 and a number of shares. Work was done and reports were very unsatisfactory, and the failure on the part of these men was circulated. This year, with a couple of men working an arrastra, over half the cash price has been taken out, proving that the men who tried to damn the country were not practical mining men; but still they have made a guess or so on some property and are considered wise men, and are hired by companies. Lillooet is well rid of such a class of men who, if they do not make a big thing, abuse the district on every opportunity. Lillooet is coming to the front again with rapid strides, and if good bona fide mining engineers come to the district we confidently say that, with the showings on Bridge river and the development done on the most important properties, that they can not give an unfavorable report. Lillooet is principally a free milling camp and will yet show to the world that few are ahead of her in producing the bullion. The investing public could not do better than keep their eye on this section, and with a few dollars judiciously expended, good results should be obtained.

The murderers who sat as judges at the court-martial of Captain Dreyfus, at Rennes, last week, have requested the president for the pardon of Dreyfus. These men, knowing the man was innocent, condemned him, to save the "honor" of the army and a few degenerates. The probabilities are that the prisoner will be pardoned by the president, as strong pressure has been made in his favor. The whole world who has watched the case, is disgusted with the verdict, and the comments made are not very complimentary to France or her people. In several countries it is the intention to boycott the coming World Exposition in Paris. This will work a hardship on France and show them that the people of other countries wish to show their disgust of the verdict of Dreyfus in a plain manner. The physician attending Dreyfus says that the condemned man is hopelessly ill, and that he may live only a few weeks; in any case only a few months. His persecutors have his life on their hands.

For the past several weeks gold has been shipped from the Bridge river to Lillooet, from the free-milling quartz claims. This week over ten thousand dollars' worth of amalgam was brought into town, showing that the country has some producing mines. For some time the kick from the government has been that there are no producing mines in this section, and it was almost useless to spend money on roads and trails. Machinery for the mines has been taken in over horrible trails, and with little encouragement from outside people. Now that bullion is being shipped, and other properties are being opened up, it will be necessary that a wagon road be built part of the distance. The district can well afford to stand the expenditure of a few thousand dollars on improvements of this kind, as the revenue obtained exceeds the appropriation several times.

There is certainly not, today, in the whole of British Columbia, a mining district where free-gold is showing up in such abundance as is now to be seen on the various claims in the vicinity of Bridge river. Only a short time ago it was but a matter of speculation as to whether these mines would yield a profit on development, but the work done this summer has fully demonstrated that we have exceedingly rich free-milling rock right in our midst. And when it is taken into consideration that most of this development work has been done by men not over-burdened with riches, the difficulties they have had to contend against in the matter of trails, and the utter lack of interest shown this district by our local government, the Lillooet miner has done more towards showing up our mineral resources than has been done in many other luck-favored districts.

Affairs in the Transvaal have reached such a beligerent attitude that there is hardly a possibility of averting war with Britain. The Orange Free State will support the Transvaal in resisting the British lion, and the entire Boer nation seems anxious for the conflict. That they will be accommodated there seems to be little doubt, as British troops are already on the road to Kruger's domain. War correspondents are already on the prospective battle-ground, and munitions of war arriving daily. It is a war that neither side will derive much benefit from, and in which the Boer has everything to lose.

That there will be immense gold-bearing ledges discovered along the banks of Bridge river and its tributaries, there can be little doubt. At present the country is barely prospected. It has been "located" to a considerable extent, but outside of the few mines that have proved up rich, very little development work has been done.

Lillooet is about the best mineral district we know of for the poor miner. He is not compelled to solicit the aid of the capitalist; he can, with the aid of a simple arrastra, pound out enough gold to make himself in easy circumstances. This is fact, proof of which may be seen in the operations of the Lorne mine today.

Mining "experts" are not always infallible. They sometimes make as grave mistakes as the uninitiated. The miner's pick, muscle and energy is quite good enough "expert" evidence for us in the future welfare of this district. It has remained for this class of men to prove that we have a bonanza on ground that was hitherto considered worthless.

Prof. H. Montgomery, who has been on a tour of inspection, lately, throughout the Slocan, Lillooet and Boundary districts, has the following to say concerning Lillooet: "While a large field has been covered and many properties visited and sampled, among the most interesting is a group of four claims, the Ample, Monarch, Gladstone, and the Whale, situated in Lillooet, three miles from the Golden Cache, near the town of Lillooet. There is now being completed a good wagon road from the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway to the properties in question, which will reduce the distance hitherto required to be traversed, from 62 to 45 miles. Cayoosh creek affords an abundant water power, and all the machinery of the Golden Cache is driven by this power, and there is plenty of unused power for other properties. A potassium cyanide mill, having a capacity of 50 tons daily, is now in course of erection, and will be completed and in running order before the winter sets in. Concerning the four claims, the professor said that they contained a large body of arsenical gold-bearing ore, 18 feet in width, having values from $8 to $50, and an average value of from $12 to $14. The professor said that he traced this ore body on the surface through the properties for over 4,000 feet. "I was instructed," said the professor, "to obtain, if possible, a conservative estimate of the ore in sight on these four claims, and after considerable trouble I have done so. I am of the opinion that there is now in sight on these properties ore to the value of over $400,000, and I think my figures are within the mark. About ten men are now employed, and the owners are Mr. Chaplin, president of the Welland Vale company, of St. Catharines; Messrs. Fox and Ross of Toronto, and Mr. Hawley of Vancouver, the same parties who lately purchased the Golden Cache mine. At Bridge river, north of Lillooet, the Lorne mine is being actively worked with good results, and a great deal of prospecting and placer work has been done during the past summer all through this section."

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The Injustice of France.

Only in France, apparently, is the hideous infamy of the conviction of Capt. Dreyfus by the court-martial unappreciated. There, except among the Jews themselves and the few revisionists who demanded a new trial for the unfortunate soldier, the verdict has been hailed with joy and the nation has retired to coddle the vindicated honor of her army in seclusion, unmindful of the cry of indignation that went up from the whole world outside of France when the judgment was announced. The only matter that seems to puzzle the French nation is the punishment that is to be meted out to the victim of the ghastly farce at Rennes. But even the prospect that Dreyfus may possibly escape prison either by reason of his long confinement on Devil's isle, or through pardon by the president, does not detract from the cruel joy the populace appears to take in Dreyfus' disgrace.

France now stands alone in the world. With it is not a nation emerged into the light of the nineteenth century that does not condemn her persecution of Dreyfus.

England is ablaze with her indignation at the verdict of the Rennes court, and in Germany the press is stupefied at the wanton descent of hated France into the slime of the Dreyfus scandal. Even in Russia, where originated the persecution of the Jews and where Jew-baiting is hardly officially discountenanced, the newspapers voice the sentiment of the people against the crowning shame of France in the conviction of Dreyfus.

In England both press and pulpit predict revolution for France. One divine compares the five judges of the court-martial with Judas Iscariot and Pilate. The London Times calls the Dreyfus trial the greatest and most appalling debasement of justice in modern times and the verdict the crowning scandal of the trial. The Cologne Gazette, the official organ of Germany, says the worst enemy ot France could not wish her a greater misfortune, and speaks of the verdict as an insult to the kaiser and humanity.

In Italy and Hungary the French are referred to as savages, and a movement is on foot, with the active sympathy of the Catholic church, to boycott the Paris exposition. How far this movement may extend is problematical, but it will have its influence in other lands.—Ex.

Major Esterhazy, commenting on the verdict in the Dreyfus case, in the Evening News, saying tha Dreyfus was justly condemned as the inevitable result of the evidence collected by Gen. Mercier. This, according to Esterhazy, bore conviction to the minds of the judges and, he added, "The court-martial following the previous finding declared Dreyfus guilty and not innocent." Continuing, Esterhazy said: "I believe the sentence was in accordance with an understanding with the government. Dreyfus is in a position to claim a reduction of his sentence by one-half. The whole business was a farce, arranged in advance, and doubtless he will soon be liberated."

The Church of England fight continues to attract attention, says a late despatch. Most of the bishops, including the bishop of Lincoln and the Rt. Rev. Edward King, who was tried several years ago for ritualistic practices, have issued letters to the various dioceses ordering obeyance to the archbishop's decisions. Many of the clergy, however, frankly announce that they will not do so.

Word was received from Ashcroft, last week, that Joseph Brenner, while suffering from a fit of insanity, threw himself in front of an eastbound freight train and was killed. From papers found on his body, it is believed that he was engaged in mining in Omineca, but was more recently from Vancouver.

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A scheme for mainland connection has been recently submitted to a private committee of the Victoria City Council, by Capt. McKenzie. It provides for an eighteen knot steamer, capable of carrying 500 passengers, to run from Sydney to Vancouver or Steveston, in three and a half hours, making a daylight round trip possible; the vessel to be built at Victoria, and for passengers only, the freight service being otherwise provided for. The bonus asked is $12,500 a year for ten years.

New York, Sept. 12.—Cornelieus Vanderbilt, head of the Vanderbilt family, died at his residence in this city at 5:45 o'clock this morning from a stroke of paralysis No physician was in attendance. The attack was very sudden and entirely unexpected, and it was impossible to reach any physician before death occurred. Mr. Vanderbilt was in his fifty-sixth year.

A special to the Evening Star, from Quebec, says: "I am assured in the most positive manner by ministerial members of the House of Commons that it has been definitely decided by the government to postpone the general election until next year. There will be another session of parliament before the issuance of the writs, but only one more.

The Dominion Government has decided to relieve some ten destitute parties who are now at Vancouver, and who were found in the Liard and Dease river country. A vote of $25,000 was taken last session to assist any who had gone in prospecting to that country, and were found to be in want.

An Ottawa despatch says: "It is reported here that Justice Walkem of the Supreme Court of British Columbia intends retiring at an early date. No details as to his motive or as to when his resignation will be tendered are obtainable."

Atlin has another paper, the Atlin Globe, published by Wm. Baillie, formerly of the Westminster Ledger, the Inland Sentinel, the Vancouver Budget, and the Fort Steele Prospector.

Recent despatches to London indicate that there will be organized boycotts against the French Exposition, established in the United States, Germany, Italy, Hungary, and Austrian Empire.

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LOCAL NEWS.

E. J. Hooper left Tuesday morning for the Bend'Or mines, where he will be employed.

Mrs. H J. Keary returned home Saturday evening, from a weeks' visit to the coast cities.

Wm. Cameron came through from Lytton last Saturday, with a load of passengers.

Mrs. L. G. Burns and family will shortly leave for the coast, on a visit to relatives and friends.

At Clinton, on September 8th, a little daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bell.

Mrs. R. Carson returned home to Pavilion Mountain last week from the coast, accompanied by her sister, Miss Magee.

A. McDonald, road superintendent, returned home Sunday from the East Lillooet district, having been absent a few weeks.

James McKivor and W. Durban returned the first of the week from Cadwallader, where they went a few weeks ago.

J. Preston Forde, engineer in charge of the works at the Cache and Ample claims on Cayoosh creek, was in town Monday.

Gib. Ward returned to Bridge river last Saturday afternoon, to work on claims owned by himself and to do a little prospecting.

Chas. Case and P. Sherwood, interested in the copper group of claims on the North Fork, were in town for a few days this week.

Posters are out announcing the Clinton races on October 5th and 6th. Every arrangement has been made for a successful meet, and there will be quite an attendance of spectators.

Wm. Allen, who has been ill for the past couple of weeks, is still confined to the house. Geo. Bell is attending to the wants of the guests and travelers at the Pioneer.

A half-breed was in the skookum house Saturday evening, for being overloaded with booze. Before E. S Peters, J. P., Monday morning, he donated $6.50 to the general fund.

H. S. Southard was in town last Friday evening, on business. The Fountain hydraulic mine is working away very satisfactorily, and Mr. Southard is meeting with success, which he deserves.

Now is the time for the prospector to develop his claim. Show it up! There are dozens of good properties lying idle in this district that will find an eager purchaser this winter if they are properly opened up.

The Ashcroft Fair next week, promises to be all right, and a good attendance is assured. The managers this year have exerted themselves more than heretofore, and will have a first-class exhibition.

A petition will shortly be circulated by parties to ask the Dominion Government to make an appropriation for cleaning out Portage creek, between Seaton and Anderson lakes, to allow boats to go through. With McGillivray creek and the Anderson lake camps coming to the front, the probabilities are that the matter will be considered.

Fred. Richardson and A. Brett arrived in town Sunday evening from Cadwallader creek. Mr. Richardson and his partner, C. M. Glenn, have bonded the Alhambra group and the Mable fraction to the Bend'Or company.

D. W. Rowlands, clerk in the B. C. Express office at Ashcroft, was married to Miss Grace Brown, at St. Albion's Church, Ashcroft, on Wednesday, Sept. 13th. They left for the east on a short trip, and will then take up their residence in Ashcroft.

The Gazette this week will contain the proclamation convening the legislature on Thursday, January 4th, 1900 This does not look as if the Semlin government was afraid to meet the legislature. The session of 1899 commenced on January 5th.

Wm. E. and T. A. Brett returned from McGillivray creek last Thursday morning, where they had been doing assessment work on claims. They expect to commence work shortly on the Brett group, preparatory to putting a mill on the property. Water will be brought in for power, and the probabilities are that they will start work on a wagon road from the lake to the property, a distance of about two miles.

W. A. Carlyle, superintendent of Le Roi mine and all the B. A. C. properties, has accepted the superintendency of the Rio Tinto copper mines in Spain, at a salary of $25,000 per year. His salary is now $8,000 per annum. He was formerly Provincial Mineralogist, and in that place made a fine reputation as a conservative, able, conscientious mining man. Few young men have risen so rapidly as Mr. Carlyle. He has now a world wide fame.

Geo. F. Risteen, the well-known C. P. R. passenger conductor, has been promoted to the position of trainmaster at Revelstoke, in place of Alex. Forrest, resigned. Mr. Risteen's numerous Kamloops friends will be pleased to learn of his well-earned promotion, though sorry to lose him as a resident. Alex. Forrest returns to the road, and will take Geo. Risteen's run between Vancouver and Kamloops, making his home in Vancouver.—Sentinel.

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