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The Daily News Advertiser
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Coroner Capt. Pittendrigh, Indian Agent McTiernan and a jury left here at noon yesterday in Mr. Bonson's steamer to go to Pitt River to hold a *post mortem* inquest into the particulars of the supposed murder of the French half-breed Indian, Louis Bee, who was shot on Monday evening by an Indian named Slomach, who is said to be a maniac, while fishing on the shore of the Lillooet Slough about three miles above the bridge. It appears that the Indian Slomach has been acting very strangely of late, going off into the woods by himself for weeks at a time; and had returned from one of these solitary trips when he met the murdered man. Although acting as if under great excitement, the assassin fired coolly enough to place the charge of the shot behind the right arm pit, and just under the shoulder blade, killing his victim instantly. After firing the fatal shot, the Indian re-loaded his gun and escaped. The provincial blood-hounds have struck the trail and will probably bring down the quarry before long.

So far (May 2007) no other mention of the Slomach case found in this newspaper.