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DESTROYED AGAIN!

Business Portion of the
City in Ruins.

THE LONG EXPECTED HAS COME TO PASS

Fire Originated in Room 1 of the
Monte Carlo.

A Steady North Wind Combats All
Efforts of the Firemen—The Lat-
ter Worked Heroically—Entire
Block Is Swept From Earth

At last the long expected has hap-
pened. Dawson's long business block
which represented thousands upon

thousands of dollars to our most pro-
gressive business men is now a mass of
smoldering ruins. The handsome edi-
fices which were built last spring to re-
place the buildings which fell a victim
to the all devouring element in April
last are gone and in their place is a
long line of smoldering embers and
broken timbers to tell of the glory that
once was their's.

The fire originated in the second
story of the Monte Carlo at 3:15 this
afternoon. A few minutes later an
alarm was rung in and the fire depart-
ment responded promptly. Meanwhile,
however, the fire had spread being
easily carried by the lining and paper
which covered the walls. Running
back through the building the boxes in
the balcony were soon aflame and from
there by leaps and jumps the fire
spread until the stage was reached and

in a few moments the fire was bursting
from both ends and sides of the build-
ing. The alarm was given by Miss
Secondina Russo who first discovered
the flames in the front part of the
building.

Two streams were turned on almost
immediately and for a short time it
looked as though the devouring ele-
ment would yield to the desperate
efforts of the fire company. But such
was not to be the case. At 3:30, just
when it appeared as though control of
the fire might be gained, a sharp
northern wind sprang up and in a few
minutes it was apparent that the entire
block practically was doomed. At 3:45
the fire had burst through the walls
dividing the Monte Carlo from the
Hoffman house and fanned by the
steadily increasing blaze that handsome
building was soon in flames. Five min-
utes later the Opera house, one of Daw-
son's finest structures, was in flames
and its doom sealed. By this time it
had become apparent that the entire
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GEORGE GOES FREE.

Apologizes to Judge Dugas
for His Open Letter.

DIDN'T KNOW HE
WAS IN CONTEMPT

Hard Fight Made by Attorney
Woodworth.

Cited Many Precedents to Show That
His Client Was Not in Contempt
—The End of an Interesting
Case.

The contempt case of A. F. George oc-
cupied nearly the entire day in Judge
Dugas' court. Numerous authorities
were cited by Attorney Woodworth in
behalf of his client in an endeavor to
show that his client was within his
rights in using the language which ap-
peared in the open letter to Judge
Dugas in the Sunday Gleaner of
Dec. 10.

At the end of the argument Judge
Dugas, while not by any means con-
doning the offense, ordered a stay of
proceedings in view of the following
letter written by Mr. George:

Honorable Justice Dugas:

The comments and reports made by
me in the Sunday Gleaner of December
6 and 10, 1899, were written in good
faith and were not designed to be un-
fair or show disrespect to the court, or
influence the judgment in Regina vs.
Forrest.

I have, however, heard it expressed
that such a construction can be placed
upon them, this opinion being ex-
pressed by persons of legal training.

That such should be the case is a
matter of extreme regret to myself, and
I openly avow the regret I feel, that I
should have written anything which
could possibly influence either judge or
jury in the case of Regina vs. Forrest,
or capable of being misconstrued into a
disrespect of the court.

ARNOLD F. GEORGE.

Post-Scout Falls In.

Capt. Jack Crawford, the post scout,
met with quite a mishap Monday.
Capt. Jack was returning from a trip to
Hunker creek. He was driving his lit-
tle jenny and taking matters comfort-
ably reclining upon his Yukon sled.
At a point about five miles up the Klon-
dike the captain took the wrong trail
and before he was aware of what was
going on, sled, jenny and captain were
all precipitated into the chilly waters of
the Klondike by reason of a break in
the ice. Captain Jack was supported in
a measure by the sled, but the poor lit-
tle jenny was entirely submerged with
the exception of a portion of her head.

Rescue was at hand, however, in the
person of Dick Adams, the Nugget's
Hunker man, and another traveler,
both of whom proceeded immediately to
extricate the unfortunate scout from his
perilous position. In a few minutes
the captain and his steed were safe on
solid ice and making tracks for home.
With the exception of a general chill
over his body the captain was none the
worse for his ducking.

Captain Jack yesterday presented his
rescuer, Dick Adams, son of Acting
Consul Adams, with a handsome gold
watch chain. Capt. Crawford says that
if Mr. Adams had not come to his
relief when he did, nothing could have
prevented his freezing to death. We
congratulate Mr. Adams on his well de-
served gift, and Capt. Crawford on his
escape and recovery from the after
effects of his accident.

