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DAWSON, Y. T., FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 1900.

COUNCIL

Attended by the

Public.

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PRICE 25 CENTS



Jury Returns Verdict "Guilty as Charged," Recommending Mercy.



Attorneys Argue Case During the Whole Forenoon.

that church respecting the widening of MR. NOEL'S ABLE PLEA

Crown Prosecutor Wade is Wittily Sarcastic in His Argument Before the Jury.

The jury in the Soggs attempted murder case has returned a verdict of guilty as charged with a strong recommendation of mercy.

When the afternoon session of court commenced yesterday, the prisoner was placed on the stand in his own defense, and then began one of the most tiresome incidents of an already wearisome case. Mr. Soggs persisted in relating verbatim all the details having the remotest connection with the case-every conversation he had held with anyone of the 26 laymen or owners of claim 34, was told of, notwithstanding the fre-Wade and the oft-repeated instructions of the court to stick to facts and leave out conversations excepting where they

No new direct evidence was given by the prisoner and nothing which could in any way improve his case was said, beyond the establishing of the fact in his own words-a tact pretty clearly demonstrated previously namely, that at the time of the shooting, and just

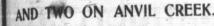
AT NOME writes Jules Soyen, Who Left

Dawson for There Last February.

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MLY FOUR PAYING CLAIMS EXIST

in the Entire District, of Which Two Are on Snow Gulch



Only Business Men Booming Country-Advises Miners to Stay in the Klondike.

The following letter was received in vesterday's mail by F. Renaud, of Gay gulch and Dominion. It was written by Jules Soyen, who left Dawson the 17th of Februray bound for Nome, arriving at that place the last of March. It is published at the request of Mr. Soyen, who desires that a true statement of the conditons of that camp may be learned, as many of his frienls have evidenced their intention of proceeding down the river:

My Dear Friend F. Renaud : We ar rived here on the 31st of March and are very much disappointed to find Nome is not what it has been represented. We have seen Jim Lemay and Vic Lord, you ought to know them, they



us there is but four paying claims in all this country, two on Snow gulch and two more on Anvil creek. The best of the beach is all worked. out now. A man can make from \$3 to \$5 a day, but it will all be worked out before the arrival of the first steamboat.

you they have discouraged us; they tell

The country is all staked for 150 to 200 miles from here. There is not much work going on as it is too difficult to prospect in the winter. No wood is ob-First Open Meeting Is Sparingly tainable except such as drifts up on the beach and it is always blowing. There is nothing whatever at Cape York, although people have been stampeding all winter without finding anything, and staking townsites. The business men naturally are booming

the country, but the laboring men are loud in their denunciation. It is with much sorrow that we think of you who staked us for this enterprise and that we cannot give you better news. You will take our advice and stay in Daw- Many Communications Are Reson, as we firmly believe there is noth-

ing here. Show this letter to all the boys on Gay gulch and my three brothers and to all on 12 above lower on Dominion and also to Louis Gay, who is at Mc-Dougal's butcher shop. Your friend, JULES SOYEN.

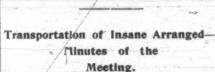
Enclosed in the letter was a note by Soyen to Louis Gay advising him to stay in Dawson, and stating that the writer in all probability would return to Dawson' unless better prospects were found. A. Gandette also wrote to the same effect, advising his friend Poisant of the discouraging prospects at Nome.

Constable Booth Fired.

For conduct unbecoming in a member ex-Constable" Booth, also "ex-Policethe severity of the sentence.

Timely Rains.

Reports from the various creeks are



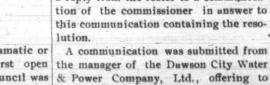
ceived and Acted Upon.

been this morning not only dismissed Of course the meeting marks a new era sioners. f om the service, but also sentenced to in the conduct of public affairs, but its A communication was presented from their debut in public sight and hearing pletion of the assessment roll. as an official body.

to the effect that considerable rain has stockings as upon every day occasions,

Meeting. Viewed from either a dramatic or

spectacular standpoint the first open the manager of the Dawson City Water



meeting held by the Yukon council was & Power Company, Ltd., offering to not a drawing card, and the public, place the hydrants at prominent places with its ever keen discernment in such through the city, and to negotiate with of the N. W. M. P. force, it is now matters proved the soundness of its the council for the supply of water for judgment when it failed to appear en fire protection purposes for the city. man'' Booth, that young man having masse at the court room last evening. Referred to the board of fire commis-

both ways. The tenders were referred

Following are extracts from the min-

A petition was received from H. L.

Douglas calling attention to some need-

ed sidewalk construction between First

and Second streets and an obstruction

at the crossing of First street and Third

avenue. Referred to the public works.

Communications were presented in

behalf of two indigent patients who

ask for assistance to get out of the

A communication was presented trom

J. D. McGregor, chief license inspector,

asking for instructions in respect to a

license fee in West Dawson. No action.

payment for the construction of a fence

near the courthouse. Referred to the

finance committee to consider as to

whether such accounts should be met

A communication was presented from

by the local or federal tunds.

A communication was presented to Mr. Justice Dugas in respect to the

utes of the meeting as officially pre-

to the finance committee.

pared :

committee.

country.

15 days at hard labor. The offence for dawning was not heralded by pomp or the ch man of the board of assessors which the constable was dismissed in ostentation. The members of the coun- asking for an amendment to the assessdisgrace might have been condoned had cil were not arrayed in purple or fine ment ordinance to allow the assessors it been the first, but it was not, hence linen for the momentous occasion of an extension of the time for the com-

Mr. Justice Dugas asked what arrange Councilman Senkler wore his golf ments had been made in respect to the quent objections raised by Prosecutor Wade and the oft-repeated instructions The commissioner reported that arrangements had been made to send these prisoners out under guard of the Yukon Garrison, a policeman familiar with

the rector of St. Paul's church contain ing a resolution of the congregation of **GONDOLFO'S FRUIT PETITION.** Mission street, and the proposition the council had made to the bishop respecting a change in the site for the church. Action was postponed pending a reply from the rector to a communica-

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