

GEO. DICK COMMITTED

For Trial at Next Sitting Criminal Court

On the Charge of Stealing a Gold Watch From Chas. A. Couture.

George Dick was committed for trial this morning by Mr. Justice Macaulay in the police court upon the charge of stealing a watch from the residence of Chas. A. Couture during the first of September last year.

Alex. Macfarlane appeared for the accused and Sergeant Smith conducted the case for the prosecution. Chas. A. Couture was the first witness called. Mr. Couture is the foreman of construction of the government telegraph line and makes his headquarters at Dawson. He identified the watch which was produced as the one belonging to himself and which he has had for 15 years.

After Dick's arrest in February he remembered that Dick had often visited his cabin and he suspected that Dick might be accountable for the disappearance of his watch. He reported the matter to the authorities giving a description of the watch. He left a few days afterward and was gone several weeks. He received a telegram at Fortymile saying that his watch had been recovered.

Cross-examined by Mr. Macfarlane, the witness stated that Edward E. Miller, a lineman, was living in his cabin last year but that he left Dawson in the early part of August and that he had seen the watch after Miller had left.

L. Hoffman, the first avenue jeweler and pawnbroker, was the next witness called and stated that on September 10th Dick had pawned the watch in question with him for \$10. He took Dick's receipt for the amount and paid him the money. Dick did not redeem the watch within the specified time and he had sold it for \$15. When Dick took the watch into him it had a picture of himself and wife in the front. Mr. Dick had called for the picture some few days after. Mr. Hoffman identified the watch by its case, movement and the fact that it was engraved 12k. instead of having the karat stamped by the factory on it.

A watch case of 12k. is never stamped by the factories in either the United States or Great Britain according to Mr. Hoffman, and he says he never saw a watch of the same description in Dawson.

The customer to whom he sold the watch had brought the watch to his store in reply to an advertisement and he had offered \$20 for it, but the man wanted \$30, and so he had put the matter in the hands of the police.

Harvey was next called, but his lordship stated that enough evidence had been produced to prove a prima facie case and it was needless to put in further evidence. The watch

had been traced from the cabin of Couture and been found in the possession of Dick who sold it to Hoffman, and the ans was on Dick to prove how it had gotten into his possession.

Alex. Macfarlane, attorney for Dick, admitted that a prima facie case had been made. After his lordship committed Dick Macfarlane said he supposed it would be superfluous to ask for bail for his client and his lordship replied that it would be decidedly.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The case against Joyal for selling liquor without a license at the Joyal roadhouse was enlarged one week. Mr. Wm. Barrett the Third avenue merchant who has been laid up for a week past with a sprained ankle was out Monday for the first time. The assistance of a friendly cane has been pressed into service to assist him in locomotion.

It may surprise some of the people on the outside to know that Dawson is now, yes in the month of March, reveling in fresh home grown lettuce and small green onions. 'Tis true they are worth their weight in gold dust, but they are here just the same and being consumed every day.

A party of gentlemen consisting of Joseph Barrett, Judge Macaulay and H. T. Wills went up to the Forks this afternoon to meet Justice Dugas and Attorney H. T. Ridley who are returning on a White Pass stage. If the overland is not met at the Forks the party will continue on up the road until the incoming stage is met.

Al Bartlett who arrived here some week or ten days ago from Fort Gibbon en route to Seattle to be present at the trial of his brother who is charged with having murdered his wife, has received a wire from the attorneys in the case stating that the trial would not occur until July in consequence of which Mr. Bartlett will return to the lower country for the time being. He will leave for the Tanana within the next day or two.

Contract Let

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has awarded the contract for double-tracking their line from Rat Portage to Fort William to Foley Bros. & Company, the well known railway contractors, and work will begin as soon as camps can be started. Mr. Setler, civil engineer, is now in the city making arrangements for the work, and the contractors have engaged about 150 men to go to work at once.

The argument often made against the views of President Eliot of Harvard and of President Roosevelt in favor of large families is that it costs too much to rear half a dozen children nowadays. In the Primrose minstrels they tell a story of a family named Little, to whom this argument did not apply.

"You say you are the father of nine children?" "Yes, sir." "And you support your entire family on \$10 a week?" "Yes, sir." "How can you possibly do it?" "Well, every Little helps." — New York Mail and Express.

When a young Japanese wishes to wed his first step towards ascertaining the attitude of the fair one's affections is to cut a branch from a certain shrub and fasten it to the house of the beloved one's parents. If he is to be accepted the branch is cut down and taken in; if he is to be rejected it is simply left to wither and die. The most costly gifts offered by the groom to the bride before the wedding are at once passed on to the mamma-in-law as a return for the kindness and care given to the bride during her life.

Cornwall, Feb. 18.—The ten-year-old son of Norton Yates, a cheesemaker, of Cornwall Centre, was seriously shot Monday by his companion, another youngster named Runions. It appears Runions had a gun loaded to shoot sparrows, and Yates told him he could not shoot the buttons off his (Yates') coat. The young lad playfully leveled the gun and pulled the trigger. The shot took effect in the side of the boy, and his condition at the present time is very serious.

The proof of the pudding is dyspepsia. Job Printing at Nugget office.

Stroller's Column.

Percy Hope, the genial-store manager and all round star of the N. A. T. & T. Co.'s grocery department, is nothing if not a financier. He is willing to admit that he has not yet reached a point where he can rightfully be classed along with the Morgans, Rockettells, Vanderbilts and other exclusive celebrities of the same calibre, but he is certainly traveling rapidly in that direction.

Not long since Percy was approached by an acquaintance with a request for a loan. Now when a man is asked to make a loan, that simple fact in itself constitutes a tribute to his prowess as a financier. No one goes to a man who hasn't any money for a loan, and it follows as a natural consequence that when a man is approached as was the obliging Percy, he must be regarded as a figure in the financial world—at least from the point of view of the lender.

This was the way the case sized itself up to Mr. Hope, who in a very short space of time dug down in the hidden recesses of his trousers pocket and produced the desired amount.

For the balance of the day he carried himself with an unusually lofty bearing. He had become a capitalist with money out on call—had started the germ of a new Bank of Commerce, so to speak—and was in a fair way to become a sort of Klondike Rothschild.

Toward the close of business, however, he happened to remember that he had not asked for any security, neither had he attached any stipulation as to interest—in fact he didn't have as much as a piece of white paper to show for the loan.

That style of a deal wasn't exactly in keeping with traditional banking ideas and it rather worried Percy to think that he had not financed the transaction. (The Stroller believes that is the correct expression) in accordance with long established usage. He did not know the party very well anyway, and, therefore, when the latter next was met, Percy informed him that he must have some security.

"Why, certainly," returned the other, who happened to be on horseback at the time, "you can have my horse. I'll be using him in the meantime, but that will be all right, the horse will be surety anyway."

"The animal was a nice appearing little sorrel cayuse and looked good for the amount involved so Percy made no further demur and the owner of the horse rode off.

A few days later a returning Tanana stamper happened into the N. A. T. & T. Co.'s store and inquired for Mr. Hope.

"I met a friend of yours down below Eagle," said the man from Tanana. "He was driving a little sorrel horse and asked me to step in and give you his regards."

Mr. Hope has now given up his aspirations for fame as a financier and thinks he will stick to plain everyday merchandising. He still has nightly visions, however, of his "security" hitting the trail in the direction of Tanana.

Dawson is certain to have a prosperous summer. The signs are in the air and the Stroller is able to recognize a sign—even if it happens to be a beer sign—as far away as the next one.

But the evidences of good times approaching are manifest and tangible, so much so in fact that they may be seen by anyone who will take the trouble to look in the proper direction. The trail between Whitehorse and Dawson is fairly alive with people returning to the Klondike after their winter vacation. Some of them are coming back looking for jobs, others are coming with money to invest and still others are coming to spy out the land.

The great fact, however, is that they are coming and by the hundreds, crowding the steamers and stages to their utmost capacity and bringing new life and energy and brains and money to help along the good work of opening up and developing the hidden wealth of the district tributary to Dawson.

This influx of travel is only one indication. Out on the creeks on hundreds of claims preparations are now well along for the cleanup season. Yukon's harvest time is at hand and according to those who

know—the Stroller always defers to the opinions of those who know—the harvest this summer will be a generous one.

And this brings the Stroller to the point at which he has all this time been aiming.

Why should not the springtime harvest in the Klondike be celebrated after the fashion in other climes when the wheat and pumpkins are safely housed? Why don't the people of Dawson come together and arrange a grand springtime carnival? Something that will afford a week of excitement and pleasure—that will bring the population for fifty miles around to the town—an affair that will stir up the blood and convince people that they need not go to Vancouver, Seattle or San Francisco to see the sights. Something like an old fashioned fair with races and games and merry-go-rounds, aquatic sports, tight rope performances, balloon ascensions, midway pleasures, a dog show, baby show, fire works and red Emma—In short, a general pot lach and grand hi-yu fair, one that will make people believe that Klondikers are not asleep after all.

The Stroller makes the suggestion and is prepared to make it a motion where or he can secure a second.

The Stroller is of the opinion that a week devoted to a grand mid-spring carnival would bring 5000 people to town and bring them in a humor to enjoy themselves. Now who will be the first to take up the idea and give it practical form?

SITES ARE TENDERED

Many Offers for Location of Library

Prices Range From \$800 to Over \$12,000—Selection to be Made at Once.

The city council met last night as a committee of the whole, prior to the special meeting that was called for 8:30 o'clock, for the purpose of opening and considering the tenders made for a library site. Thirty-two offers were submitted and the prices quoted are as a rule considered quite reasonable. The sites are somewhat scattered, some of them being as far south as Church street and others north as far as Duke. The tenders being so many in number, to go over and thoroughly examine everyone was manifestly impossible, besides it is the desire of many of the members to personally inspect several of the sites which is being done this afternoon, and the probability is a special meeting will be held this evening to further consider the matter and possibly arrive at a definite conclusion.

At the beginning and before any of the tenders were opened it was decided by the council that nothing would be considered north of King street or south of Harper. The first opened was a fifty foot lot at the corner of Third avenue and Church which was quoted at \$3500.

Lot 20, block H. B., northwest corner of Fourth and Harper, 50x100, \$1150.

Lot 11, block T, corner of Fifth and Queen, \$1700.

Lot 11, block K, southwest corner Fourth and Queen, corner lot, \$1700.

Lot 12 adjoining, \$1500.

Lot 1, block S, corner Fourth and Queen, adjoining A. B. hall, \$1400.

Lot 11, block S, corner Fifth and King, corner lot, opposite N. C. warehouses, \$1800. Lot 12 adjoining, \$800. Both lots, \$1800.

In block H. F., which is at the corner of Fourth and Harper, there were several tenders. Lot 1 is offered for \$1300, 2 and 3 for \$800 each or \$1500 for both, 1 and 2 for \$1800, 12 and 16, inside lots, for \$800 each or \$1400 for both.

Lot 3, block J, near corner of Sec-

ond and Princess and adjoining Greene's undertaking establishment, \$5000. Lot 4 adjoining, the Gandolfo property, \$5000.

Lot 2, block N, Third avenue near the corner of York, \$800.

Two tenders were made in block H. E. One was of lot 20 at the corner of Harper and Fourth, facing the hill, \$1500; the other was at the corner of Princess and Third, opposite Macaulay Bros., lot 10, \$4000.

The Larss & Duclou corner at King and Third, opposite the postoffice, was offered but no price was named.

Lot 17, block A, Second avenue between Princess and Queen, \$1000.

Lot 15, block I, west side of Third avenue adjoining the White House, \$6000.

Lot 5, block H, corner York and Third, diagonally opposite the McKenzie house, \$3500.

Lots 1 and 2, block H. J., north-east corner of Fifth avenue and Harper, 100 feet square, adjoining the residence of H. E. Ridley, \$2500.

Lot 2, block H. B., Second avenue, adjoining the Hotel Cecil, \$3500.

Lot 10, block T, corner Fourth and Queen, same block as the public school, \$2250.

Lot 9, block J, Second avenue, between the McDonald hotel building and the warehouse, \$6000.

Lots 13, 14 and 15, block K, facing Fourth avenue, between Princess and Queen, \$1000 each.

Lots 9 and 10, block S, corner Fourth and Queen, known as the Jewel property, with improvements, \$12,000.

As soon as a selection has been made and the title is passed Mr. Carnegie will be notified and the money for the building will then become available at once.

FOR SALE—25-horse return-bue boiler and fittings at a bargain, on hillside No. 4 from mouth Last Chance. p4-1

Job Printing at Nugget office.

EGGS GO UP Pool Formed Yesterday Which Raises Price

The egg war has been called off and the market is steady again and the probability is that there will be no further trouble this season. The price has been raised to \$27.50 and \$28 per case and they will retail at \$1 per dozen.

Yesterday all the dealers in town having eggs made a pool of them which showed the whole number of cases in town to be about 500. A deal was engineered by Wm. Barrett, the Third avenue merchant, whereby the N. A. T. & T. Co. took 250 cases leaving the balance in the hands of the commission dealers.

The N. A. T. & T. Co. have not as yet raised the price but are still selling at 75c per dozen retail. How long this will last is not stated but it is thought that the price will be raised to \$1 within a few days as 75 cents will not pay the cost of delivery.

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