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IN COMMISSIONER'S COURT.
 Trial Calendar Will be Announced Tomorrow Morning.

At ten o'clock tomorrow forenoon United States Court Commissioner Charles A. Schibler, will be at the court room in the City hall, at which time and place the time for trying the following cases will be set. All interested attorneys will please be present:

4—Price, L. well and Bryant vs. W. Moore, attorneys, Price & Stevens, General Turner.
 10—Tecklingberg vs. S. Bauer.
 97—Northup, Sturges & Co. vs. Joe Holder.
 180—J. M. Wheeler vs. Sampson & Lumbard.
 108—Robert Bive vs. Kohan & Klopfer.
 258—N. W. Fickure Co. vs. P. & A. R. & N. Co.
 207—A. E. Robinson vs. J. H. Brooks; attorneys, Price & Stevens, R. W. Jennings.
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 316—Parks & Atwell vs. Wood; attorneys, Miller, Lewis.
 316—Charles Schutzman vs. E. Ballinger.
 341 and 344—W. E. Terrill vs. J. E. Fen; attorneys, Price & Stevens, Lovell & Jennings.
 348—J. S. McCue vs. J. F. Freeman; attorneys, McCue, Church & Day.
 355—W. A. Biglow vs. A. Moore; attorneys, Church & Day.

366—Fleming vs. Brooks; attorneys, Price & Stevens, Jennings & Pratt.
 362—Frye-Bruhn Co. vs. Olympia hotel; attorneys, Price & Stevens, Church & Day.
 380—Farrell vs. P. C. S. S. Co.; attorneys L. K. Pratt, Winn & Weldon.
 382—Easel vs. Costlett; attorneys, R. W. Jennings, Price & Stevens.
 381—Sylvester vs. Costlett; attorneys, J. G. Price.
 524—E. T. Keelar vs. Brooks & Troy; attorneys, L. K. Pratt, ...
 425—Reinhardt vs. Brooks; attorneys, Jennings & Pratt, ...
 426—Reinhardt vs. Brooks; attorneys, Jennings & Pratt, ...
 427—Pratt vs. Brooks, attorneys, Jennings ...
 434—Clayson & Co. vs. P. C. S. S. Co.; attorneys, Pratt, Winn & Weldon.
 176—McKinley Creek Mining Co. vs. Alaska Mining Co.; attorneys, Winn & Weldon, ...
 317—R. W. Jennings vs. C. E. Severance; attorneys, Jennings & Pratt, ...
 118—Lilly Bros. vs. P. C. S. S. Co.; attorneys, R. W. Jennings, Winn & Weldon.

"There was tumult in the city, in that quiet old Quaker town, and the streets were rife with people pacing restless up and down; People gathering at the corners, and they whispered each to each, Till the sweat stood on their temples with their earnestness of speech."
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Yesterday was a great day in the history of Alaska, British Columbia and the Northwest Territory, the greatest mineral producing country that exists on the face of the earth.
 A little more than one year ago a company began what was then considered an impossible task, that of constructing a railroad from Skagway to the summit of White Pass. But where energy and money combine, defeat is unknown. Work was constantly carried on and never for one moment was there any flagging. Through a wild and rocky country where formerly the mountain goat dared not venture, a road was constructed, steel rails were laid over which thundered the iron horse drawing in his wake material for further construction. Contrary to the expectations of the most sanguine the road was completed to the summit far in advance of contract time, thanks to that indefatigable, ever awake and alert man, V. J. Heney. But construction did not stop at the summit. Twenty-two miles further east were the headwaters of Yukon navigation, the threshold to the great gold producing fields of the interior. This was the destination, and to this point was construction continued.

Yesterday the road was completed to Bennett, making it possible for travelers from any part of the United States to reach Dawson City on one continuous journey on rail and water where all the comforts of life may be enjoyed; no walking, no packing of outfits on backs of men and beasts, and with no delay.
 It was an enthusiastic party that left this city yesterday morning for Bennett to witness the driving of the last spike that bound with bands of steel the salt waters of Lynn Canal to the fresh waters where ply the steamers of the mighty Yukon. The start was made at 8 o'clock in the morning, the following persons being aboard the train:
 H. M. McGregor, C. P. R. R., Pillsbury & Cleveland, photographer; Capt. Wm. Moore and daughter, Mrs. A. Miles Taylor; C. C. Runner, Percy H. Peelle, collector of customs; Arthur James, Canadian customs inspector; Rev. J. A. Sinclair, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore, Dr. M. F. Hall, Dr. Whiting, F. M. Bush, E. A. Seeley, R. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Berdoo, J. A. Paine, Red Line Transportation Co.; F. I. Keelar, John Stanley, C. E. Cole, Miss A. L. Burke, C. E. Hawkins and wife, J. T. Havne, L. H. Grey, F. H. Whiting, G. W. De Saccia, W. L. Wilson, Agent Busby.

At the summit a stop of some length was made for the purpose of regaling the guests with luncheon and other refreshments. From the summit on to Bennett the trip was made on flat cars, the new road not being sufficiently ballasted to justify the running of the regular passenger coaches.

It was 3 o'clock when Bennett was reached, the last several hundred yards of track being laid just in advance of the train. When the last rail was in place the honor of driving the last spike was delegated to Mrs. Hawkins, wife of the chief engineer and general superintendent of the road, Mr. E. C. Hawkins, although Mr. Hawkins, himself, Frank Walters, walking boss; Captain Jarvis, of the N. W. P., and Contractor M. J. Heney each hit it a lick for luck. At the time of the ceremony of driving the spike Contractor Heney, also president of the Red Star Transportation Line, had all his teams, comprising 150 horses, lined up in procession, the entire lake fleet of steamers in port blew their whistles and twenty-one earth quaking blasts were shot where a mountain side was being removed for a depot site. Taken as a whole, it was the most thrilling and eventful scene ever witnessed north of Puget Sound.

Scarcely had the echoes of the great tumult subsided when Captain McGregor of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, in stentorian tones proposed three cheers for the White Pass and Yukon Route. The cheers, with a tiger, were given in a way that caused the osseous of Lake Bennett to heave an inch or more. Cheers were also given for General Superintendent Hawkins, Contractor Heney and other of the official of the company.

Then came the crowning event of the day in the form of a banquet at Contractor Heney's mess house where an elegant repast was served. Champagne flowed freely, everybody was toasted and the affair in its entirety was such as only Mr. Heney could conceive and successfully carry out.
 It was a great day for the people of Bennett. The entire town was arrayed in its Sunday apparel and, aided by three hundred men who had in the morning arrived from Dawson and who were jubilant at the thought of getting a railroad ride to Skagway, nothing was done amiss to

make the occasion a brilliant one in that balliwick's history.

At six o'clock the train started on the return trip, another stop being made at the summit where another sumptuous repast in the railroad eating house was enjoyed. (One member of the party said last night, "We ate every two hours yesterday, and I never enjoyed grub more in my life.") From the summit the return to Skagway was made in the coaches, and when at 11 o'clock last night the train pulled into Skagway with four coaches and the platforms crowded it looked like a way down South party of excursionists returning from a moonlight, watermelon picnic.
 All the railroad camps between Skagway and Bennett were in holiday attire in honor of the occasion, and in order that the hundreds of employees of the company might inwardly feel in harmony with outward display, Contractor Heney distributed thirty kegs of beer along the line yesterday morning.

Thus ended a day the events of which will forever emblazon a page in Alaska's history. We are too magnanimous to say "Skagway's history." The trails on which men have toiled, and in too many instances died, are now but a memory. They will be known only in the great volume of history which depicts the bitter and the sweets of life as found in the broad, white north.
 The White Pass & Yukon route is completed to Bennett, leaving Skagway the one and only gateway to the wealth laden vales of the interior.
 All honor and all hail to Mr. Hawkins and his associates for the great feat they have accomplished in the construction and successful completion of Alaska's only railroad.

OVER TWO THOUSAND POUNDS OF GOLD

Arrived From Dawson by Last Night's Train.

BOULDER OF QUARTZ

Three Hundred Men Bordered With Yellow Metal arrive En Route to the Lower Country—They Took the Train at Bennett.

The evening train which was delayed until 11 o'clock last night came in loaded with Klondikers burdened with gold dust. As near as could be estimated there was a ton of dust brought in.

This was the first through trip from Bennett to Skagway by rail and the men appreciated it. When landed in Skagway they set up a loud cheering which could be heard all over the city. The restaurants were immediately crowded and for several hours did a rushing business. Several of the arrivals are known to have big sacks.
 Possibly the most unique piece of quartz that ever came out of the interior is a piece of float which was brought out by N. Dufaulby, who registered at the Occidental hotel. It came from a bench claim on tier No. 2 on Gold Hill, directly opposite No. 2 on Eldorado. The piece of float weighed about fifteen pounds and contained nuggets all the way through, as could be seen by crevice in the rock. The rock as a curio is valued at \$5000 and will be taken to the Paris exposition by the owner. He refused \$2500 in Dawson for the piece, as he did not need the money, and preferred to take it home to France, his native country. He also brought out 300 pounds of gold dust.

Following is the list of men at the various hotels:
 Mondamin hotel—G. N. Gilbert, A. J. Rokoni, Misses Wright, J. W. Charlton, F. Stevens.
 Occidental hotel—Pat Smith, O. J. Ellsworth, A. M. Vmont, Wm. Clem, D. Corain, Steve Donnell, N. Noos, Henry Faubert, H. C. Kenne, N. Dufaulby, J. Duget, C. Stevenson.
 Brannick hotel—J. M. Hall, S. M. Charlson, Wm. Bourgett, A. Taylor, H. O. Hanson, V. L. Hotchkiss, L. S. Emerson, V. L. Speers, C. E. Compton, R. J. Rosemerry, W. C. Nichols, J. Thornton, G. A. Johnson, S. Havnor, J. N. Pearson, W. E. Mosby, Wm. Hauller, J. Apid, R. M. Blair, A. Pavey, G. F. Ham, John Rigby, E. D. Eby, A. B. Hersender, F. A. Lundberg, Wm. Nord, O. Lividger, L. Anderson.

The following steamers are scheduled to arrive on the dates named:
 Farallon.....Thursday, July 6
 City of Seattle.....Sunday, July 9
 Humboldt.....Sunday, July 9
 Dirigo.....Tuesday, July 11
 Tees.....Tuesday, July 11
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TERRORS OF THE TAKU FROM JUNEAU TO ATLIN

Mike Ryan Rescued After Days of Wandering.

HIS HEALTH WRECKED

Two Men Start From Atlin by Taku Raft—Endure Untold Hardships—Miraculously Rescued—Death Lurks for All who Travel That Way.

For many months but little has been heard of the at one time much advertised, by Juneau papers, Taku route to the Atlin mining district. Now comes a story from the Miner, a Juneau paper, which reads like a Rider Haggard production. It says: "Mike Ryan, who was lost on the Taku river about two weeks ago, is at the hospital and saved. He has received a shock from starvation and exposure from which he may never completely recover. He has had an experience that few men could have lived through.

"Ryan and Cain McKinnon were coming out of Atlin by way of the Taku. They made a raft at the mouth of the Little Salmon to come down the river on. It capsized and they lost all their provisions. Another raft was constructed. It was a sort of catamaran affair, and when near the junction of the Tadena and Taku it struck a log jam and went to pieces. The men climbed on the logs. Ryan swam ashore. McKinnon feared to move. He was picked up by some prospectors and finally reached Juneau in an open boat.

"Since that time Ryan has been wandering around in the cold and rain without a morsel to eat up to last Tuesday night. He is not able to talk at length intelligently, except to say that he has starved, and in the lack of details a better understanding of his excruciating sufferings must be left to the imagination. He did find an Indian shack, but lately abandoned, managed to light a fire and lay there beside it for two days. Half crazy from hunger he threw himself into an old canoe, and was carried down the river through rapids and over waterfalls nearly to the mouth of the Taku. There the canoe was caught in a whirlpool of rough water, and instead of being sucked under, as is usually the case, was thrown upon the beach.

"George Rudd and Leonard Edgen, two young men cut prospecting, have a camp near this point. They were in the mountains at the time, but on returning to the camp in the evening saw a sight neither will probably ever forget.
 "A man sat in the brush moaning and rocking himself to and fro. His eyes were so wide open and wide-looking that little but the whites of them was visible. All the clothes he had on were a tattered shirt and boots so worn that they scarcely clung to his feet. His legs were naked. He was too feeble to help himself.
 "'Come here to me! Come here! Help!' he hoarsely gasped.
 "Young Edgen became afraid and backed away. Rudd saw that the object was human and not beast, and approached. They took care of Ryan for a day and a night, and then brought him to Juneau in a rowboat, arriving here yesterday evening and stopping at the Juneau hotel, whence Ryan was subsequently removed to the hospital. McKinnon never expected to see his friend and partner again, as he had given him up for dead."