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Nota di contenuto	Introduction -- The genesis of an Alaska court -- Dawson and the Klondike mines -- Planting American courts in the wilderness -- Common law of the trail -- Riding the Arctic circuit -- The Yukon River winter trail -- Triple murder in the Aleutians -- The Anvil Creek conspiracy -- The corruption of the court -- Liars and thieves -- Social life at Nome, 1901-1902 -- The dog trail from Circle to Fairbanks -- Fairbanks and the Tanana mines -- The Mount McKinley expedition -- Up the Kantishna -- The approach -- On the slopes of Denali -- Rafting home -- Three thousand miles of justice -- The Valdez-Fairbanks trail in 1905 -- The judge goes on trial.
Sommario/riassunto	In this humorous and upbeat memoir, James Wickersham describes his career as a pioneer judge and later as a congressional representative assigned to a vast, snow-covered district, extending over 300,000 square miles in the undeveloped Alaska Territory. Wickersham's many adventures include traveling by dogsled over hundreds of miles through snow-covered mountains; serving as judge for the trials of many famous outlaws in the midst of the gold strikes; and hunting, mining, and climbing in his local Alaska wilderness. Though he was instrumental in the early history of Alaska, and his legacy is e.

