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Facts and Fakes About Klondike.

Some Trustworthy Information of Considerable Interest from a Man Who Knows.

FALSE REPORTS.

POOR SANITATION.

To a Los Angeles, California, corre- | have been few more orderly and earnspondent of the New York Sun Charles est communities anywhere in the E. Stillman, a well-known gold miner Union. The stories that I see published who recently returned from the Klonin some newspapers about the orgies and immortality at Dawson City are dike region, has been giving some interesting information about the new almost wholly the fiction of imagina-Alaskar gold fields. For example: tive reporters. I never knew so many

"The present winter in Dawson City | well-educated, thoughtful and promisand that region has been somewhat ing men in any camp as there are at milder than in former years. There Dawson City today. Some are Harhave been a few hours this season vard and Yale graduates. Two young when the temperature at our diggings women, wives of ambitious young minon Hunker Creek has been down to 63 ers, are from Vassar college, and a physician, who lives there in a log degrees below zero, and for four days at New Year's time the mercury nevcabin, plastered with mud, was eduer rose above 44 degrees below zero. cated at Columbia college and at the The wind blows there all winter long. University of Paris, I think he is con-The day I left Dawson City the mertented. Anyhow, he ought to be for a cury was at about 24 degrees below year or two. He gets half an ounce of gold for each visit, and for simple zero, and the people regarded that as a surgical work his bill runs into ounces pretty mild sort of day. The ice is a yard thick in the Yukon and on all of gold very quickly. It seems to me that he ought to clear up two or three the creeks in the Klondike region. The nnew is about two feet on the level, pounds of gold every week in the year. and very deep in drifts caused by the

everlasting blowing from the northcast. There have been many ears and faces frozen among the people in and about Dawson City in the last few months. I have heard of about twenty drink of the vilest concection of people who have lost their lives by freezing, but there may be a lot more unfortunates who have died of freezing their cabins and tents away off on the banks of creeks miles from friends. Joaquin Miller, who is in Dawson City. thought he was going to lose one of is cars by freezing when I saw him a lew days before I set out for Cali- climate where the wind blows and tornia. I believe there have been a score of amputations of frozen legs and feet on the Klondike this season.

GOLD FIELD'S EXTENT.

"How much of an area has been covgold miners' camps on the Elondike? Oh, about 100 miles square would cover it. The Canadian Register of Mines at Dawson City told me six weeks ago that the mines furthest from I awson were located about sixty olles away. When I got to the Klondike last August the furthest were not twenty miles from Dawson City, We old-time miners have long seen in the west what man will do and the risks he will take to get gold at any hazard. but the way hundreds of men have gone tramping along the banks of creeks and across trackless snowy wastes miles from another human being, and in a way-below-zero weather to prospect amid snow and ice for goldaring gravel, beats any stories we ment of pestilence it is Dawson City. have ever told to illustrate man's insatiate thirst for gold. Bonanza, Hunkmountain, on the northeast side of the er, Eldorado, Too Much Gold, and Skokum Creeks were completely occupied River. by miners' claims from source to mouth, while all the tributary streams for miles round were well claimed. That there will be another city like Dawson City in the Klondike is not doubted by any one up there. If the miners on the newly located claims and the miners who will go into the Klondike this coming season strike any deree of richness, a city that will outand no attention is paid to simple hy-Dawson seems likely. Dawson far away ma the newer claims giene in that land of quick fortune making. Around the base of the mouna base of supplies for the mining s there. I know secral rich real men who are nor on their way and going in lots in new town sites in the min ng region. If they are lucky they will make more money and do it quicker : han the luckiest miners. Just think, in September, 1896, you could have bought acres in Dawson City for \$200 or \$300 each-perhaps less. Today lots there with a thirty-foot frontage bring \$3,000 and \$4,000 each. Some lots g \$10,000 and \$15,000 each.

barkeeper, and permit the latter to weigh out enough gold on the scales, which are found in every business place in that region, to pay the bill for the drinks. A THRIFTY QUARER.

"One of the greatest money makers in Dawson is a young man, Dan Flynn, who halls from Harrisburg, Pa. He is just 22, and he is a natural born business man. He has nothing to do with the mines, and never even saw one. He's all business. He happened to be at Dyea, on the coast of Alaska, last June as a cigar agent, when the news came there of the Klondike gold discoveries. He quit his job and sent word to his firm in Chicago that he was going to Dawson City. He got there early and sold all the 10-cent cigars he had for \$1.50 each. He saw the money there was in town lots, and took written sixty day options on a dozen lots, paid \$500 down, and in less than twenty days he sold out and made \$30,000 cash. He

knew that an army of gold seekers would soon be there, so he took options more lots at greatly advanced prices. Besides he bought springs of drinking water near Dawson City and hired Indians to peddle water at 25 cents a pail. Then he went into the bread business. He has now over 200 San Francisco when navigation on the Yukon opens. He juil sell tens of thousands of pails of water in Dawson at 25 cents each this coming summer. Flynn is easily worth \$100,000 now, and

e may double it in another year. He "The stories of drinking and caroushas the Irish wit and is very popular ing at Dawson City are all bosh. In in Dawson. He will soon open a bank the first place, it costs too much to there, backed by a San Francisco mildrink even in the Klondike region. A lionaire.

BETTER STAY AT HOME. molasses and alcohol costs about \$1. "What are the chances for an aver-In the second place, the wealth is

earned by such hard work and exage man who knows nothing about posure that one does not like to throw mining and goes to the Klondike now?" "They are not nearly so good as they his earnings over the bar with the recklessness that characterized the miners vere for the average man who came in the flash mining days of the west, to California in 1849 and 1850. We have Moreover, one may readily see that a never heard about the 200,000 young men who came poor to California in those days and went back home or moans twenty hours out of every twenty-four, and where the mercury travels stayed out here poorer than they came. We have all heard of the few thousbetween two degrees above zero and forty below for five months in the year, ands-or, perhaps, the few hundredswho got rich. The scant score of men not conducive to conviviality and hilarity as the warm, balmy climate of who became multi-millionaires have Tombstone and Virginia City were. been held up as shining examples by "Another, and perhaps the most imminers the world over for years. Well, the same will be true of the Klondike. portant reason for the earnestness and The American people know already soberness of Dawson City this winter, is that the danger of starvation in that about how Joe Ladue, Clarence Berry, Arctic region has been looking the Dave Elimont and Peter Harney have Klondikers in the face. Very naturalleaped from poverty to fortune in less ly, one who has any sense and the least than a year and a half, but there's fear of starvation in so hideously lone-4,000 men who have been in the Klonsome a place as the Klondike is not dike region since last August and are going to throw money away carelessly as poor as ever and will never be any for whiskey and on games of chance. better off.

"I would not advise any one to go to the Klondike. It is a big risk for any "It will be wonderful if some mortal man. For the roor man who knows ever does not rage in Dawson next nothing about placer mining and has a summer. If there was ever a communfamily dependent on him it is almost ity properly situated for the developcriminal folly to put several hundred dollars' into an Arctic mining outfit The town is located at the base of a and go chasing off to Dawson City. It would be better for his pocket to put mouth of the Klondike, on the Yukon his outfit money on a gambling game At that point the Yukon is at home. The enances of success are nearly half a mile wide. The mountain just about as good. Still, there will be a lot of new milliopaires created by curtails the expansion of the town. The people now live almost as closely tothe Klondike gold, and you can no more gether as in a large city. Fancy what stop the army of enger, restless men-now at Beattle, Victoria and San Fran-cisco-tendy to sell to Alaska from takit will be by next July, when 150,000 people shall have set foot on that narrow bench along the river. There is ing slim chances in the race for fortune no sewerage or drainage, no water supin the north than you could bale out ply from an uncontaminated source the ocean."

FIRED TO SAVE LIFE.

History of a Cannou Ball Now in the tain to the west is an area of several hundred acres of marsh land and one uslody of Life-Saving Service. can see the malaria-laden vapor rising



and pay \$8.7° for them. But FRENCH NOVELTIES, silk and this isn't any store; it's "THE" wool, in the prettiest shades of store, and the price of

Here's another hot Silk Capes, made with empire WYOMING AND LACKAWANNA AVENUES. back, satin ribbon fluting around the shoulders, and lace and ribbon trimmed col-

lars. Buy one at \$6, that was

Wrappers Very stylish here today—and we'll prove it to you.

an assortment of bright patterns...59, 85, 97c and \$1.25 dren's Fast Black Seamless Hose. BASEMENT.

Infants' Here is a lot of 91/2. Regular 15c grade. Ladies' Fast Black Seamless Hose, special things in calways 121/2c. Wear

Men's Seamless Heavy Working 51/2 to 934. about what you'd ordinarily

pay for the bare material. Hose, always 121/2c. LACKAWANNA AVENUE--MAIN AISLE

Long slips, lace trimmed. special at Plain Cambric Skirts Embroidered Short Skirts

with lace and inserting,

your toil. The four and nine in-most any shade you wish. POPLINS, 46-inch all-wool, in COVERT VIGOREAUX, 45-inch cent counters supply many These garments are tailor-the latest Spring colors of grey, all-wool. We have sold a great wants-and you will find new

CHEVIOTS-An assortment of green, castor, cadet or cerise Cheviots and Fancy Mixtures, the sider cheap at 19c. Here at 10c them this week will be 4.95 grounds, with black dots. These slast of a large lot of domestic and Ten Quart Bread Raisers will offer them at, per yard. 85c short time ago, much under 39c Fourteen Quart Bread Raisers

ENGLISH GRANITE CLOTH, item from the Cloak of colorings and warranted to give resenting the most durable styles in Kettles, No. 7, 8 or 9, at ment. A lot of Silk Brocaded purchaser, per yard . 69c colorings, per yard . 29c

Interesting News About Hosiery

If we were to tell you the absolute worth of every pair (er. worth \$2. This their price. We won't charge of Hosiery advertised this morning, you'd accuse us of exagyou that today. They 2.95 geration—because advertisers have not always aimed at the As Bright as Sunlight will move quicker at 2.95 truth. We permit no misstatements at any time. Hence, are the American Incandescent Gas

when we tell you that these are positively the best hosiery Lamps. Use them once and you'll values ever offered in Scranton, you'll believe us. Come use them always. Never sold here

width, beautifully made from **7c per pair**, **4 pairs for 25c** Genuine Pilling & Madley Half an assortment of bright pat-More than 500 dozen pairs Chil-This entire lot on sale in Main one and one-half ribbed, with aisle, Lackawanna avenue, at the Clothing course. But double toes and heel, sizes 51/2 to remarkably low price of

121/2c per pairs TOP COATS, 4 to 15 years,

A Rare Chance at Handkerchiefs 180 The Handkerchief stock is overcrowded. Counters and -35e 19e

2c, worth 5c Men's

3c, worth 7cl

Short Dresses, pleated yoke . 25c aisles are both full. That's why this Handkerchief news coat, pants and vest, coats have Colored Dimity Dresses, trimmed (shold prove of interest to you. Buy them this week-lay deep sailor collars, finished with 6 st os them away if you don't need them, for they'll come in handy rows of silk soutache braid. Vest

39c cents, at . Good Clothes Wring-\$1.25 week Very special this week . 79c

Greystone Granite Dish Pans.

for this week's sale-three thread

and what others would con-

Greystone Granite Tea

Greystone Granite Tea

and Coffee Pots, this week at

17 quarts and worth 75

Raisers

week means a

bigger accom-

tle things

19c

22c

39c

19c

BASEMENT

Boys' He's hard on clothes, of he's worth a new suit when-7c per pair, 4 pairs for 25c ever necessary. There is honest Children's Fast Black Ribbed value in every suit we sell. children's wear Ladies' Fancy Drop Stitch Hose, Hose, made with high spliced heels, You'll realize that in the week, principally because the mere are with back hole and toes.

made of fine texture Covert, medium shade with French facing. Italian lined and has

patch pockets, worth \$4 28 Special . BROWNIE SUITS, three pieces,

SAILOR BLOUSE SUITS, 3 to

12c, worth 25c satent band. Regularly \$2.25

Pants

\$2.48

KDONDIKE MORALS.

"The population of Dawson City and camps that line the creeks that twist away south, east, and southeast from the Klondike and Yukon is as intelligent as any I have ever known in any mining camp in the West, Indeed, it is the most moral and ambitlous mining population I have ever seen. A number of us professional minens up there, who have seen the gilded gambling palaces of Virginia City and have lived in the hot days of Tombstone, Anaconda, and Creede, have remarked many times that the miners of the Klondike are another race of men from those we used to know in the states. To be sure, there is gambling and liberal drinking of the hardest of hard whiskey in Dawson City and Circle City, but the scenes are never comparable with what we used to witness every night when the ionanzas were pouring out their goldwealth and Tombstone was making dozen new millionaires.

"The Klondike miners are not the pical, picturesque miners the world as been hearing about for half a cenary. It is my private opinion that the wful hardships one endures to get rich there, the dangers that must be

aved, and the privations suffered in string to the new glod fields by any ite, making men there sober and proent. Where men have these char-

ristics there's no chance taken in ing. Then, too, the expense of a da Klondike and the necessary enditure of several hundred dollars an outfit keep out of the Alaskan ing region a horde of hard-up, desate characters similar to those that have made all the Western mining camps so notoriously bad. I doubt if Dawson City ever will be a hard, reckless, wide-open town in the sense that Virginia City and Cripple Creek have een. It has had a population of about 2,000 men and 120 women all winter, with about 4,500 more miners in the abins along the creeks, and there



and painful finger ends, pimples, blackheads, oily, mothy skin, dry, thio, and failing bair, itch-ing, scaly scalps, all yield quickly to warm baths with Cornerias Soar, and gentle ancientings (ointmont), the great skin cure.



ike steam from an engine in a midsummer morning. Even in the warmshort chain attached, now lying on est weather one can dig down through the heavy layer of moss and a foot or two in the spongy soil in Dawson City and find ice a half foot thick. Last summer the 1,200 people at Dawson City were more or less ill with malaria and there were a few deaths from fever. The mosquitoes rise during the months of June, July and August in swarms from the moss that abounds everywhere in the Klondike region, and they are so ferocious that mules and dogs

have run away and leaped madly over embankments many times to escape them. "Dawson City has been growing right

one hardware store.

along all winter. An occasional dip of the mercury to 45 to 50 degrees below zero has had no effect on the building operations there. All winter long Front street-practically the only one in Dawson City-has resounded with the sound of chopping and hammering on new houses and stores. I think that the building improvements of the tination in the midst of a northeast tempest, which rolled and pitched her town six weeks ago, when I left Dawson City, comprised about 115 log cabins, three log churches-Catholic, Epis-

copal and Methodist-and 600 tents. that had been boarded up about the bottom to make them more agreeable to the occupants. The business part of the town consists of log and crude pine board buildings arranged in a straight line and close beside one another. In these structures are fifteen saloons, two barber shops, several butcher shops and half a dozen restaurants, two real estate offices and

DAWSON PRICES. "The largest buildings in that region

are two substantial storehouses built time by the Alaska Commercial company and the North American Transporta tion company. Each is two stories high, and covers about 8,000 square feet. To show how it costs to build up there, I have only to say that one of these storehouses, with a good concrete foundation, cost exactly \$93,500 last September. The same structure could be built in the Middle States for about \$4,000, and on the Pacific coast for \$4,500. Log cabins 20x24 feet cost from \$3,000 to \$4,500. The logs are hewn on three sides and the chinks are plugged with mud and moss. The roofs are constructed of three layers of pine boards, upon which moss and arth are packed to the depth of a foot. Earth is banked up about the walls of the cabin. That keeps out the cold. Some roofs have upon them earth and moss a yard thick. In summer the mosquitoes rise out of these roofs in swarms like the Egyptian locust lague. Let me recite some of the current prices in Dawson City. Pine logs, \$2.50 and \$3 each; window glass, 50 cents a pound; ten-penny nails, 60 cents a pound; meat, 75 cents a pound; carpenters who can do fairly good work get \$18 and \$20 a day this winter, com-

mon laborers get three-quarters of an ounce of gold a day-about \$12. small loaf of wheat bread has cost 60 washed off and drowned. cents all winter in Dawson, and for a

short time the price was 75 cents. I bought a pair of stogy boots last Janin the sand, and was finally wholly uary for three ounces of gold, worth \$48, and I can buy similar boots here for \$3. No cigars or drinks are less than 50 cents each. Bartenders get from \$12 to \$25 a day. By the way, a common courtesy in the saloons there A party of wreckers were is for the one who calls his friends to board, and in searching the cabin came the bar to hand his pocket buckskin across the old mortar ball.

the table of General Superintendent Kimball of the life-saving service, calls up a noted occurrence long since forgotten, except by a few old people. which was in its time a celebrated case. The ball is no less than the first shot ever fired in the United States for the purpose of saving life, and after performing its most noble service it lay for twenty years in the bottom of the sea On the 26th of December, 1849, the

British ship Ayrshire sailed from Newry, Ireland, bound for New York, with 02 passengers on board, mostly immigrants, seeking homes and fortunes in handsomely trimmed. the states. In those days transatlantic steamers were not numerous, the first regular line, the Cunard, having som been established only nine years before, and thousands of immigrants were transported in the famous sailing packets of the time. Six weeks later the Ayrshire was off the port of des-

struck bottom with terrific force, heeled and it was returned to the companion, over toward the beach, and the sea began to sweep over her sides in great volumes that drenched and terrifled all on board. Many of the passengers were women and children, who were either crowded into one of the small deckhouses or lashed to the bulwarks and rigging to prevent; their being swept overboard. The night was dark and bitter cold and for two hours despair reigned on board, for there was little

hope that the ship would hold together now so important, was little more than until morning and no hope of escape should she go to pieces before that However, about two hours after she

struck, the half-frantic company beheld a flash of light inshore, then detected a sound as of a muffled cannon. and a moment later heard a heavy iron ball crash on board. That was the ball referred to. Attached to it was a life line that was to be the means of rescuing all save one of the entire number on the Ayrshire. A larger line was soon drawn to the ship by the sailors. and then came the life car, then a new and untried device. It was a small iron boat, covered over so that it was very

in the top an opening through which appliance. persons to the number of six or seven up, when they would be hauled ashore. To some of the more timid the remedy seemed almost as bad as the disease, but all finally concluded that in the little ark was to be found their only safety, and eventually all save one were taken to the land without the smallest mishap. The person lost was a Mr. Bell, of New York, whose sister and her two or three daughters had been placed in the car and were about to be sent ashore when he insisted upon accompanying them. As there was

no room for him inside the car he foolishiy undertook to cling to the outside of it, and, as a matter of course, was Soon after the storm was over the hulk of the wreck began to settle down

covered up. There it lay for twentythree years, when a heavy gale set up a strong current along shore that dug away the sand and once more exposed the skeleton of the old wrack to view. soon on

sack of gold dust across the bar to the l There was no doubt of its identity.

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A twenty-four-pound round shot, with Cambric Gowns, pleated yoke, as the clock. One thing is certain—it will be many a day trimmed to match the coat. 39e before you can buy such goodness for such littleness as here and buckle; regularly sailor collar Embroidery Trimmed Aprons. . 25e during this sale. Sounds like a big statement-but there \$3.50, at 10clis truth in every word. Tucked Drawers Drawers, trimmed with embroid-. 18cSLadies' ery and inserting . Knit Sacques in white and colors, > Plain

Stitched Bibs, lace trimed .

ALSO A complete line of Christening Robes in China Silk and Lawn,

SECOND FLOOR

s 5c, worth 10c 10 years, of navy cloth, with shield and Colored 10c, worth 20c and large collar trimmed with cloth 10c, worth 20c and braid. Pants have White 5c, worth loc 256> and 7c, worth 15c. SC 10c, worth 20c, Colored Special lot ladies' one-half and DOUBLE BREASTED SUITS Borders, 12c, worth 25c one inch hemstitched border, plain for boys from 8 to 15 years, of navy Special lot ladies' pure linen, white, warranted all pure linen, fast color Cheviots, well tailored and

Jonas Long's Sons

Plain White

Borders,

"The road book committee decided

"This will unquestionably be

not previously reported in any such

FREE OF CHARGE.

NEW ROAD BOOK ship of the little mortar which sent it whizzing seaward on its errand of humanity more than twenty years before Since the recovery of the ball, it and the mortar have been on exhibition at al expositions. At present they are await ing transportation to the exposition at Omaha.

When the Ayrshire was wrecked the life-saving service of the United States

name, and many a ship's company was thereafter lost on the black and ugly coasts of Long Island and New Jersey It is known that during the twenty years from 1850 to 1870 as many lives were lost by shipwreck on the two coasts named as were lost under the present life-saving system in the nex twenty years on all the ocean and lake coasts of the entire country.

The old life car has been superseded by a lighter though larger one, and for ordinary rescues a device known as the breeches buoy was adopted. By this agency two persons may be taken new road book of the Pennsylvania ashore at a time, and when the number on board is small, as is usually the case nearly alike on both sides, and having "it is much the handler and preferable

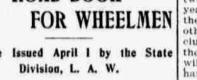
A modern line-firing gun, too, has could crawl and then shut themselves | taken the place of the old mortar. This gun is the invention of Captain B. A. Lyle of the United States Army and a zealous member of the life-saving board on devices for rescuing the shipwrecked. To its design and perfection he devoted himself as to a labor of love, and with the result that today the life-saving service of the United States has the most far-reaching gun and the best equipments pertinent to it of any similar establishment in the world, the gun expressly for it.

The old round shot and mortar had their day and are entitled to respectful attention and the gratitude of many a rescued castaway, but the Lyle gun with its extended range and unfailing reliability, is as much ahead of the oldtime appliance as the modern cannon is in advance of the ancient carronade,

fis Luck.

He-At the office today there were te lekets for your charity concert raffled

She-Are you coming to the concert? He-O, Fm one of those lucky fellows-I dind't win one!- Humoristische Bisiter



SPLENDID MAPS TO GUIDE RIDERS

Book Will Appear in Two Sections, One for Eastern and One for Western Pennsylvania--An Immense Amount of Labor Required to Compile the Work -- Protection of Rights and Privileges of League of American Wheelmen Membors.

all that is required. Wheelmen will be interested in the following information concerning the upon this plan after long experience with other books, and an examination of all the various books gotten out in division, League of American Wheelother states and by organizations in men, furnished The Tribune by the other countries. The maps will give press committee of the Pennsylvania the rider an idea not only of the best division:

and most ridable routes from point to "The protection of rights and privipoint, but will also show the side roads, leges of members is one of the greatnumerous smaller points of interest. est advantages offered by the League and towns which it was impossible of American Wheelmen, and the cost include in the old tabular system. of being enrolled is absurdly small in to show on the small maps that w comparison with the return made in used. In addition the more popase of accident or assault. Chief Contowns will be given in tabular fo sul Boyle, of the Pennsylvania divisin the back of the book for the speion, has a large number of these cases use of those who wish the same for under way at all times and recently touring guide. settled nine in one single day. The majority of these complaints are setmost complete work of road informathe powder, shot and line being made tled by compromise without being tion regarding Pennsylvania, as it will taken into court and a wheelman who include hundreds of miles of highways

has had his machine damaged or suffered other injury is generally sure of being fully reimbursed without a particle of trouble to himself.

"The new road book of the Pennsyl-"The book will as usual be furnished vania division will be issued on April 1. free of charge to all members of the and is expected to prove the best thing division. Copies will be sent April 1 of its kind ever gotten out.

to all members who have at that time "The road book committee and Messrs. W. W. Randall and Carl Herrenewed their membership for 1898. Members whose membership expires ing in particular have devoted an imbetween April 1 and August 1 will be mense amount of gratuitous labor to sent copies as soon as renewal is rethe new edition and the result of their ceived.

efforts cannot fail to receive the ap-"The passage of the universal lights proval of all members of the organizaordinance by Philadelphia city countion throughout the state. cils was largely brought about by the

form.

The new book will be published in Pennsylvania division of the League of wo sections instead of four, as last American Wheelmen, although that year. One section will be devoted to | fact has not been very generally known the eastern half of the state and the Wheelmen have as a rule been per other to the western, but each will in- fectly willing to respect the ordinance clude all of the territory adjacent to compelling them to carry lights in spite the great interstate and international To Be issued April I by the State the dividing line. The size of the book of the discrimination. The constituwill make it much more convenient to tionality of the matter has never been handle than the old book, but the questioned, although an act referring greatest difference will be found in the to bicycles alone could probably have arrangement of the information. For been stricken off the statutes as special legislation, but the necessity for this an entirely new scheme has been adopted. Instead of the many pages lights was recognized and no such of tabular matter a system of maps movement was ever considered. Carhas been adopted, these showing the riages and wagons have proved fully entire state, and at a glance the reader as dangerous as bicycles and many accidents have occurred in which can learn the material of the road, grade, condition and distance between wheelmen have been injured and which points. Each map covers a small sec- | might have been avoided had drivers tion of country, and is so arranged as been compelled to furnish lights as well to fit the one next to it, so that con-tinuous routes are obtained. Yet at nance will be of benefit to all, and the same time each section is suffic- wheelmen owe another debt to the lently large to show clearly and fully league, which so zealously guards their interests."

APPAREL.

'See here," exclaimed the custom house official as he held up a half dozen black bottles, " thought you said this trunk ontained nothing but wearing apparel?" "That's what I said," answered the

"Well, what do you call these?" asked the official

"Nightcaps,' was the calm reply .-- Chirago Daily News.

THE GIRL THAT SMILED.

This side of heaven I may not see face seen in a passing throng, glance but half a moment long And then the broad street stretched away, And friendless faces, grave and gay, Went past me like a surging se And with it she who smiled at me

The smile of her who passed that day, A gleam of light across my way, Was like a ray from heaven thrown To one who walked the dark alor Just a chance smile-yet how the skies And earth grew brighter for the eyes Of her who smiled so timidi-Out of the hurrying throng at me.

The little maid that smiled at me-If such a miracle may be, And wings of prayer have flight as far, To her who passed me like a star Come gentle Providence and praise Sweetness of love and length of days. And heart so pure and soul as free As looked from out her eyes at met -Joseph Dana Miller, in Atlanta Constltotion.