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The sledge which I had made in Cincinnati, and took with me on my expedition to the North, was made after the sledge "Faith," the favourite sledge of Dr. Kane on his last expedition. The only difference between his and my sledge was as follows:—Dr. Kane's was 3 feet 8 inches wide, while mine was only 2 feet 6 inches. The shoeing of Dr. Kane's was three-sixteenths-inch steel, while the shoeing of mine, on arriving at the North, was slabs of the jawbone of the whale (the article used by the natives), 1 inch thick and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide.

The dimensions of the "Faith" (of Dr. Kane's) were as follows:—

	ft.	in.
Length of runner . . . . .	13	0
Height of ditto . . . . .	0	8
Horizontal width of rail . . . . .	0	$2\frac{3}{4}$
" " base of runner . . . . .	0	$3\frac{1}{4}$
" " other parts . . . . .	0	2
Thickness of all parts . . . . .	0	$1\frac{1}{4}$
Length, resting on a plain surface . . . . .	6	0
Cross-bars, five in number, making a width of . . . . .	3	8

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