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The City of New York.

Suppose, now, you were a bird, and could soar and sail about in the air wherever you chose. If you were flying over the city of New York you would behold a sight very much like that shown in the picture.

New York City is on Manhattan Island, about thirteen miles long, and about two miles wide at the widest part. The river to the left of the picture is the Hudson, and that on the right the East River, leading into Long Island Sound. In the right-hand corner is shown part of the city of

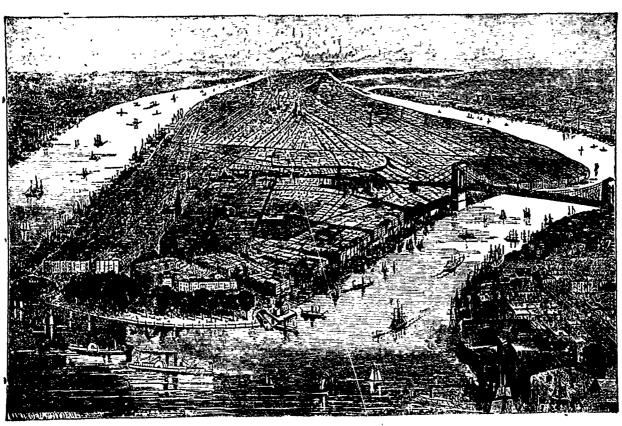
round building at the extreme left is Castle Garden—an old fort, with surrounding buildings. Here all the emigrants who arrive at New York are landed—sometimes two or three thousand in a day—and are kept till they are shipped to their destination.

From the Battery can be seen a long, straight street, leading northward. This is Broadway, a hundred feet wide and about four miles long—lined with magnificent buildings, and one of the noblest streets in the world.

The population of New York is over 1,207,000.

Showers of Gold.

Tradition has it that many thousands of years ago the Emperor of china, perceiving the wretchedness and destitution brought upon his people by the use of intoxicating beverages, issued a decree which closed every liquor shop in the empire. And the strangest thing about it was that for three days after the decree went into effect the heavens rained gold. It same down like manna from the skies, and the people being in possession of their senses were able to gather enough to make them rich and happy for years thereafter. While the latter part



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Brooklyn, on Long Island; and on the upper lefthand corner, part of Jersey City, in New Jersey. Crossing the East River is seen the famous Suspension Bridge. It is so high above the water that orean vessels can pass beneath it. It slopes down on each side to the level of the ground, and street cars run across it. Another bridge is built across East River higher up, and a tunnel is now made under the Hudson.

All around the two river fronts of the city you see hundreds of vessels and steamers, which sail to all parts of the world. The park, covered with trees at the point of the island, is called the Battery, because it was once strongly fortified. The

There are only two larger cities in the world—Paris, with 2,226,000, and London, with over 4,000,000. Berlin and Vienna have a little over a million each.

Brooklyn, which may almost be called a suburb of New York—as many thousands who do busi ness in the larger city live in the smaller one—has over half a million.

Parts of New York are more densely peopled than even the densest parts of London. As the greatest receiving and distributing point for the commerce of the continent, New York is destined to be one of the most important cities in the world.

of this story can hardly be accepted as literally true, we have no doubt the results of a general closing up of the dram-shops were better even than a shower of gold upon the land. An abundance of wealth is not so sure to bring peace, joy and contentment to the homes of the people as virtuous and temperate living. If \$900,000,000 annually wasted on drink in this country could be saved to the people the golden age would surely be upon us.—Selected.

"What is your name, little girl?" "Minnie."
"Minnie what?" "Minnie don't,' mamma always calls me."