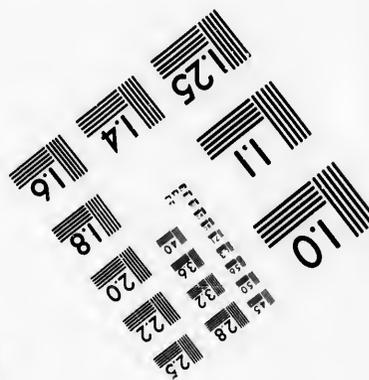
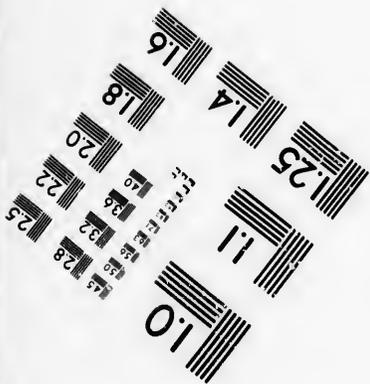
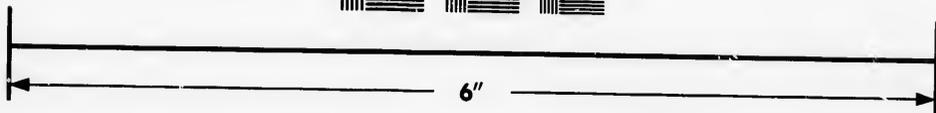
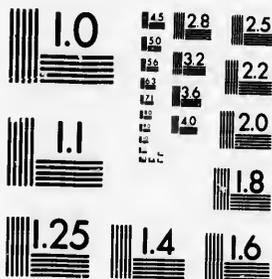


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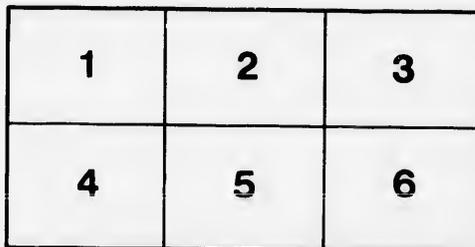
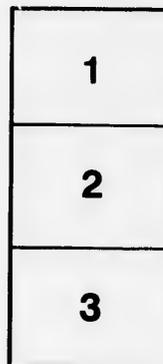
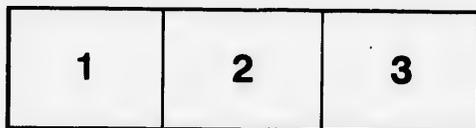
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Klondike Gold

The Wonderful Tales Told by Returned Miners Have Been Collected and Sifted and Are Presented Here in Brief Form.

All the men who have returned from Klondike unite in saying that gold beyond the dreams of avarice is there. All have gold dust or nuggets—some more, some less—to show as the result of their labors. No one has returned empty handed.

Many of the men who have come back from Klondike are residents of Seattle. Others are from San Francisco, from Los Angeles, or from other places along the coast. Most of them are from the Northwest.

Among the most fortunate of the miners is Clarence Berry, a farmer, of Fresno, Cal., who brought back seven sacks of dust and nuggets worth \$155,000. He had been in the Yukon gold fields for three years, meeting with but little success. Last fall he returned home and was married. Determined to try his luck again, he went back to Alaska, and, hearing of the discovery of gold at Klondike, went there, and, as he says, "struck it rich."

William Stanley, formerly a blacksmith in this city, went to Alaska two years ago, and was among those who returned on the "Portland." He had with him \$115,000 worth of gold, found on Bonanza Creek, about five miles above Dawson City.

Henry Anderson, a wede, who is well known in Seattle, came back with a good supply of gold dust and \$45,000 he had received for half his claim on the Klondike.

Frank Keller, of Los Angeles, Cal., went to Alaska last year, and returned with \$35,000 received for his claim.

William Sloat, a former dry goods merchant of Lanimo, B. C., has \$52,000, received for his claim.

A fellow resident of Lanimo, named Wilkenson, sold his claim for \$40,000.

Jack Horne, a professional pugilist of Tacoma, was among the few who might be called unlucky. He brought back only \$6,000 worth of dust.

Frank Phiscator, of Baroda, Mich., has \$96,000 worth of dust and nuggets.

J. Kelly, of Tacoma, went to Alaska last year with his son. He returned on the "Portland" with \$10,000 in gold, and his son is still at work on the claim, taking out more.

Robert Krook brought back \$14,000 in gold dust and \$12,000 he received for his half interest in a claim. He has an interest in another claim, and intends to return after he has had rest and enjoyment.

J. B. Hollinshead, after two years spent in the diggings, can show \$25,000 worth of dust, and still possesses a claim, to which he intends to return.

M. S. Norcross was one of those who were looked upon as unfortunate. He selected a claim but became ill and could not work it, so he was compelled to sell out for \$10,000.

Thomas Fleck has only \$6,000 worth of dust, but he has a claim at Klondike for

which he has been offered \$50,000. He intends to return to work it himself.

Con Stamatini returned with a third share of \$33,000 worth of dust taken out in forty-five days' work.

"I brought down just 1,000 ounces of dust and sold it to the smelting works," said William Kulju. "I sold my claim for \$25,000. When I went to Klondike last summer I had only a few dollars and a pack. Now I am going home to Finland, but I am coming back next year."

John Marks was the possessor of \$11,500 in dust. "There is plenty of gold in Alaska," he said, "more, I believe, than the most sanguine imagine, but it cannot be obtained without great effort and endurance. The first thing for a poor man to do when he reaches the country is to begin prospecting. As snow is from two to five feet deep prospecting is not easy. Snow must first be shoveled away, and then a fire built on the ground to melt the ice. As the ground thaws the shaft must be sunk until bed rock is reached. The average prospector has to sink a great many shafts before he reaches anything worth his while. If gold is found in sufficient quantities to pay for working, he may begin drifting from the shaft, and continue to do so as long as he finds enough gold to pay."

Frederick Lendsseen returned with \$13,000 worth of gold after two years spent in Alaska. "I have had considerable experience in mining," he said, to-day, "and say without hesitation that Alaska is the richest country I have ever seen. I have an interest in a claim near Dawson and am going back in the spring."

Greg Stewart brought back \$45,000 received for his claim and a good quantity of dust he had taken out before selling.

Hollingshead and Stewart who worked as partners had \$25,000 worth of dust.

Among the returned gold seekers are Professor Thomas C. Lippy and his wife, of this city. Professor Lippy was formerly secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of Seattle. He has with him \$50,000 worth of gold and still owns a claim in which he says there is at least \$150,000 more in sight.

Mrs. Lippy was the first white woman who went into the new camp at Klondike. She is a small, brown-haired, brown-eyed woman, tanned until her face is as brown as her eyes and hair, but seemingly in perfect health and bearing no ill-effects of the hardships she endured.

March 20th Clarence Berry took out over \$300 to the pan. Jimmy MacLanie took out over \$200 to the pan; Frank Phiscator took out \$135 to the pan. The four boys from Nanaimo took as high as \$125 to the pan. They were the first men to get a hole down to bedrock on Eldorado and good pay. They had Nos. 14 and 15.

In fact, big pans were being taken on nearly every claim on the creek, until \$100 and \$200 pans were common. April 13th, Clarence Berry took in one pan 39 ounces—\$495—and in two days panned out over \$1,200. April 14th, we heard some boys on No. 30 Eldorado had struck the banner pan of the creek, and Charles Myers, who had the ground on a lay, told me that if he had wanted to pick the dirt he could have taken 100 ounces just as easy.

Jimmy MacLanie took out \$11,000 during the winter just in prospecting the dirt. Clarence Berry and his partner, Anton Strander, panned out about the same in the same manner. Mrs. Berry used to go down to the dumps every day to get dirt and carry it to the shanty and pan it herself. She has over \$6,000 taken out in that manner.

Mr. Lippy, has a rich claim, and his wife has a sack of nuggets alone of \$6,000 that she has picked up on the dumps. When the dumps were washed in the spring the dirt yielded better than was expected. Four boys on a lay, No. 2 Eldorado, took out \$49,000 in two months. Frank Phiscator, who owned the ground and had some men hired, cleaned up \$94,000 for the winter. Mr. Lippy, so I am told, has cleaned up for the winter \$54,000. Louis Rhodes, No. 21 Bonanza, has cleaned up \$40,000.

Clarence Berry and Anton Strander have cleaned up \$130,000 for the winter.

Enclosed are the names of some of the boys who are going out on this boat, with the approximate amounts:—

Ben Wall, Swede, Tacoma.....	\$50,000
William Carlson, Swede, Tacoma.....	50,000
Wm. Sloan, English, Nanaimo.....	50,000
John Wilkerson, English, Nanaimo...	50,000
Jim Clemens, American, California...	50,000
Frank Keller, American, California...	35,000
Sam Collej, Iclander.....	25,000
Stewart and Hollinshead, California...	45,000
Charles Myers and partner, Arizona...	22,000
Johnny Marks, Englishman.....	10,000
Alex. Orr, Englishman.....	10,000
Fred Price, American, Seattle.....	15,000
Fred Latisceura, Frenchman.....	10,000
Tim Bell, American.....	31,000
William Hayes, Irish-American.....	35,000
Dick McNulty, Irish-American.....	20,000
Jake Halterman, American.....	14,000
Johnson and Olson, Swedes.....	20,000
Neil McArthur, Scotchman.....	50,000
Charles Anderson, Swede.....	25,000
Joe Morris, Canadian.....	15,000
Hank Peterson, Swede.....	12,000

There are a great many more going out with from \$3,000 to \$10,000 that I do not know.

This is probably the richest placer ever known in the world.

They took it out so fast and so much of it that they did not have time to weigh it with gold scales. They took steelyards and all the syrup cans were filled.

Amount Taken Out—Some of Those Who Made Strikes on the Klondike.

To give an accurate list of those who returned from the North and the amounts they took out would be impossible. Many who made rich strikes gave out figures before leaving Dawson City. Those figures have been given in letters written to people in Washington, Oregon and California. But the amount taken out was, in some instances, not brought down. Part of it was invested in new claims. Below is given a partial list. It is made up of the list sent down by Arthur Perry. Perry's list is conceded to be accurate. Other figures were obtained from interviews with miners. The list includes those who came down on the "Excelsior" and landed at San Francisco, as well as those who returned on the "Portland." The list foots up over \$6,000,000.

A partial list of strikes reported follows:—

Thomas Cook.....	\$10,000
M. S. Norcross.....	10,000
J. Ernmerger.....	10,000
Con Stamatin.....	8,250
Albert Fox.....	5,100
Greg Stewart.....	5,000
Thomas Flack.....	5,000
Louis B. Rhoads.....	5,000
T. S. Lippy.....	65,000
Henry Dore.....	50,000
Victor Lord.....	15,000
William Stanley.....	112,000
Clarence Berry.....	135,000
Albert Galbraith.....	15,000
James McMahon.....	15,000
J. O. Heatwood.....	5,000
F. G. H. Bowker.....	90,000
Joe Ladue.....	10,000
J. B. Hollingshead.....	25,000
Jack Horne.....	6,000
Douglas McArthur.....	15,000
Bernard Anderson.....	14,000
Robert Krook.....	14,000
Fred Lendesser.....	13,000
J. J. Kelly.....	10,000

A Fortune in Eight Weeks—Seattle Man Cleans Up \$180,000 in the Klondike.

Willis Thorp, of Seattle, Wash., received a letter from Edward Thorp, saying that he had cleaned up \$130,000 in the Klondike in eight weeks and was coming home on the steamer "Portland," which is due in Seattle on August 26th.

Thorp left Seattle one year ago, having gone north with a drove of cattle.

Another Astonishing Case.

Ten weeks ago Mrs. Willis, of Tacoma, was poor. To-day she is worth a quarter of a million, and all on account of the Klondike. Two years ago Mrs. Willis, whose husband is a blacksmith, and a great sufferer from rheumatism, decided to try her luck among the gold fields of the frozen North. She set out alone, and vowed that she would not return until she could bring a fortune with her. She has kept her word.

After two years of prospecting, and just when her spirits and her fortune were at the lowest ebb, there came a report to Dawson City of a big placer strike on the Klondike. Joining a party of cattlemen, Mrs. Willis hurried to the new Eldorado, staked a claim, and so she realized more than \$300,000 from it.

Not satisfied with this, however, she established a laundry at Dawson City, and was the first to introduce the "boiled shirt"

among the miners. It made a great hit, and notwithstanding the fact that Mrs. Willis is compelled to pay \$350 for a box of starch, her enterprise is prospering greatly. An Indian squaw who works in the laundry receives \$4 a day and expenses, and the log cabin in which the work is done is rented for \$35 a month. Wood for fuel costs nearly \$500 a year.

Before the turn of fortune's wheel made Mrs. Willis wealthy she worked as cook for the mess of the Alaska Commercial Company at Dawson.

Rich Claims Deserted.

The abandoned claims will make many a man, not yet on the scene, rich. There are many claims along the best-known creeks that have been abandoned. The prospectors would be digging on them contentedly earning big money every day. There would then come a report from some neighboring place of fabulously rich finds, and there would follow at once a wild rush. In this way claims that paid moderately were passed in the search of others that would banish poverty in a month.

The two kings of the region were wise enough to profit by the craze which carried the men along, and they bought claim after claim along the Bonanza and the Eldorado. No man on earth can guess how much these men are worth to-day. They would be millionaires if they stayed at home the balance of their lives and sold interests in the mines they now have in operation.

Best Mines to be Found.

Experts say that the best mines are still to be found. It is an old saying that the existence of the placer mine merely shows that not far away the mother rock must be found. It looks as if the gold in the loose dirt about the creeks had been brought down from the mountains by some great glacier.

The men who have gone in and are going in have no capital for machinery, and the placer rining is the only kind they can undertake. The late comers and the men with money for machinery will probably search for quartz veins and get bigger fortunes with but comparatively small expenditures.

It is reported by Government officials and everybody else that the whole country is gold producing, and the work of 10,000 men who will be able to get there within the next twelve months will not begin to exhaust the resources.

Everybody Gold-Crazy.

I had been away just three months. May 26th I left Seattle for Alaska. July 3d, the "Portland," one of the three ocean steamers of the North American Trading and Transportation Company, left St. Michael's on the return to Seattle. For two weeks I was aboard the "Portland," and July 17th Seattle was reached. There, and along the entire route to Chicago, everybody was greatly interested in the region from which I came, and I was compelled actually to hide in a drawing-room on the train when it became known from where I had come.

In Seattle people were almost wild, so great was the gold excitement. The "Portland" was the first boat to reach that city from the scene of the great discoveries, although the Alaska Commercial Company's boat had reached San Francisco, its port, before that date. But the men who had accumulated the greatest wealth in the Yukon Valley were on the "Portland," and their arrival was

eagerly expected by the people who had heard so much about the Klondike region.

Gold Found Everywhere.

It is evident from the conversation that I had with Mr. Berry and Mr. Phiscater that gold is going to be dug in Alaska in almost unlimited quantities. They were both a year in the centre of the gold field—that is, the centre as it exists to-day. They were positive that the claims that had been staked out were only a small fraction of the claims that are going to pay big money. The prospectors in the district have not failed to find paying dirt in a single spot where a good search has been made.

They said they had no idea how long or how wide the territory would prove to be, since no one has found the ends of the profitable placers.

Mr. Krook Writes About Gold Fields—He Gives Additional Information Concerning Mining Matters in Far Alaska—Those Going Need Money.

The great riches of the gold fields, so widely advertised through the land, are not overestimated. But the creeks prospected are now all taken up, so that men going in there now have to work for wages, if they can get them, or go and prospect for themselves. To do this they need money, as to buy an interest in the claims now working on the Bonanza or Eldorado will cost from \$10,000 to \$250,000 per claim.

Taking Out \$1,800 a Day.

Mrs. Mitchell, of San Francisco, Cal., sister of Jerome Madden, the land agent for the Southern Pacific Railroad, received a letter from her son, who went to the Klondike recently. He writes that he is taking out \$1,800 a day from his claim.

Expecting \$125,000 a Month—World's Largest Stamp Mill to be Operated in Alaska.

With several millions more in sight the principal Treadwell mine on Douglas Island, Alaska, is soon to have the largest stamp mill in the world. It has been decided to double the capacity of the plant, making the number of stamps 300.

The next largest mill in size is located in South Africa. It has 280 stamps. The Treadwell will mine its product at a cost of \$1 a ton, and will produce \$125,000 a month.

Thomas Flack.—I have an interest in claims 14 and 15, on the Eldorado. One partner sold out for \$50,000 and another for \$55,000. I was offered \$50,000, but refused it just before coming out.

William Sloane, Nainaimo, B. C.—My claim in the Klondike turned out to be a pretty good one, and I sold out for \$52,000.

Thomas Kelly, Tacoma.—A year's hard work has brought me \$10,000, and my son is now working the claim.

William Stanley, Seattle.—My claims are worth about \$100,000, and I have brought out \$6,000. I went up last year with Warren Brothers, of New York, and have been working with them on several claims.

Ira McNulty, San Francisco.—My earnings are \$21,000. I went in three years ago and purchased for a song a half interest in the claim I have now been working.

Henry Anderson, Seattle.—A half interest in my claim brought me \$45,000, and I guess I will go back and see about the other half.

KLONDIKE GOLD

Got 47 Pounds of Gold—Rich Strike in a Single Digging North of Klondike.

The latest news from Klondike tells of rich finds of gold in the frozen North. A strike that is credited with showing fabulous dirt has been made on an unnamed creek sixty miles above Klondike.

Forty-seven pounds of gold were taken from the hole, and there has been a rush of the luckless ones from Klondike to the new diggings.

Gold to Be Had for Picking Up—Wild Excitement Rages at Klondike, Alaska, in the New Gold Fields.

The following is an extract from a letter received by the *Excelsior*. It was sent from the Klondike region by a prominent and wealthy young business man of San Francisco to his brother in this city:—

"The excitement on the river is indescribable. The output of the new Klondike district is almost beyond belief. Men who had nothing last fall are now worth a fortune. One man has worked forty square feet of his claim and is going out with \$40,000 in dust. One quarter of the claims are now selling at from \$15,000 to \$50,000. The estimate of the district given is thirteen miles, with an average value of \$300,000 to the claim; some are valued as high as \$1,000,000 each. At Dawson sacks of dust are thrown under the counters in the stores for safe keeping.

"Some of the stories are so fabulous that I am afraid to repeat them for fear of being suspected of the infection. Labor is \$15 a day and board, with 100 days' work guaranteed. So you can imagine how difficult it is to hold employees.

"If reports are true it is the biggest placer discovery ever made in the world. For, though other diggings have been found quite as rich in spots, no such extent of discovery has been known which prospected and worked so rich right through."

Facts About the Territory of Alaska—Its Great Rivers—Gold Mines and Fisheries.

Alaska is two and one-half times as large as Texas.

It is eight times as large as all of New England.

It is as large as the South, excluding Texas.

It is as large as all of the States east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio, including Virginia and West Virginia.

Its coast line is 26,000 miles.

It has the highest mountain in North America.

It has the only forest-covered glacier in the world.

The Treadwell is one of its greatest gold mines.

It has the best yellow cedar in the world.

It has the greatest seal fisheries.

It has the greatest salmon fisheries.

It has cod banks that beat Newfoundland.

A man standing on a bank of the Yukon 150 miles from its mouth cannot see the other bank.

The Yukon is 20 miles wide 700 miles from its mouth.

With its tributaries it is navigable 2,500 miles.

It is larger than the Danube.

It is larger than La Plata.

It is larger than the Orinoco.

It discharges one-third more water than the Mississippi.

The water is fresh fifteen miles from its mouth.

It has more gold in its basin than any other river.

Its color is beautifully blue to its junction with the White River, 1,100 miles above its mouth.

Alaska runs 1,500 miles west of Hawaii.

Yukon basin gold is estimated at \$5,000,000,000.

The necessary eruptive force for the formation of great fissure veins is everywhere evident in Alaska.

Hay grows as high as a man's head.

Hardy vegetables can be raised.

All streams show true gold fissures.

School Teacher in Luck—He Went to the Gold Fields Over the Canadian Route and Brought Out \$30,000 in Nuggets.

The latest arrival from the Klondike is Albert D. Gray, formerly a school teacher in Grand Rapids, Mich. Mr. Gray arrived in San Francisco on July 29th, bringing \$30,000 in nuggets.

He says he is the first man who went to Dawson via the Stickeen River route. He predicts that this will soon be the favorite route to the gold diggings. He says that the entire Northwest is interested in the report that the Canadian Government is contemplating the building of a railroad from Telegraph Creek to Lake Teslin. From this lake to Dawson City there would be clear navigation if the rocks on the Yukon 200 miles above Dawson were blasted out.

OFF FOR THE KLONDIKE

If you are thinking of going to Alaska and the Klondike gold fields in the spring, write to us for special rates and inducements. We will run our own special train and boats. All information regarding transportation furnished on application.

BROAD CHARTER

The Charter of this Company is of a broad character, embracing mining, owning of town sites and all commercial operations necessary to the financial success of the Syndicate.

MANAGEMENT

The management of the Syndicate will be conservative, yet no expense will be spared to make it a grand success. Many leading citizens will be heavy investors with us, whose names are a guarantee that all interests will be protected and promoted.

New Jersey Corporation, Guarantee and Trust Co., of Camden, N. J., registers for transfer of stock

Security Trust Co., 10th and Chestnut Sts., Philada.

DEPOSITORY OF THE COMPANY

APPLICATION WILL BE MADE TO HAVE THE STOCK LISTED

