Klondike Gold Rush: A Tale of Two Trails 608
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*(The)* White Pass trail was the other *route* to the gold fields. Since the *White* Pass was not too steep as *(the)* Chilkoot Pass trail, pack animals were *(allowed)* on this trail. Sadly, the trail *(proved)* to be too much for these *(animals)* to bear. Three thousand animals died *(and)* were abandoned along this trail. The *(White)* Pass became known as Dead Horse *(Trail).*
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