Life in the Late 19th Century – Why did people risk their lives to get rich?

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* By the 1920’s, where did more Americans live? Rural or Urban?
* How many people migrated from rural to urban areas?
* What was urbanization?
* Why did people want to live in cities over farms?
* What was the Second Industrial Revolution?
* How many immigrants moved to the U.S. between 1870 – 1920?
* How did the wealthy live?
* How did the poor live?
* What inventions were created around this time?
* In New York, how were the poor living?

Why do you think Jack London wrote his books about surviving in the wild and trying to get rich?