

## MUSK OX MEAT FROM ALASKA FOR MARKET

News that the inhabitants of settlements in northern Alaska are eking out their supplies of meat by hunting caribou, and thereby greatly reducing the cost of living, calls attention to Vilhjalmur Stefansson's prediction that "reindeer and musk ox meat will be quite common foods in the United States within the next fifteen years." Stefansson knows at least whether the flesh of these animals is good food, for in his explorations within the Arctic circle he has always lived on the country instead of burdening himself with unnecessary supplies.

The reindeer, the musk ox and the caribou are promising subjects for domestication—the first-named especially having shown its adaptability for this purpose in the hands of some thousands of Eskimos to whom it now represents a considerable source of wealth. The musk ox in lesser degree has been demonstrated to be a valuable food animal, suitable for breeding under restraint. The caribou will continue for some time to rank as game, but opinions of explorers that it, too, can be domesticated are entitled to consideration.

The value of this new source of meat lies in the fact that the animals in question thrive on species of Arctic forage suitable for no other

purpose. Thus, if we can convert a few hundred thousand square miles of hitherto unproductive land into pasture we may be able partly to atone for the disappearance of the great ranges of our own country. We can never hope to restore the meat prices of former years, when the range was free, so long as we are compelled to feed to our stock the products of dear land and expensive labor.

Yet there are many obstacles in the way of establishing so revolutionary an industry on a scale sufficiently large to make an impression on the world's supply. The dietary conservatism of the people is one of these. Only two years ago we were in the midst of a great experiment in whale meat. Scientists agreed that it was nutritious, those who ate it said that it was palatable, and it was offered at a lower price than other meat. Nevertheless interest in it flagged as soon as the novelty wore off. Our natural inclination seems to be to cling to porterhouse steak, even though it should go to a dollar a pound.

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- (1) Boston Association Placer Claim, recorded in 1911, and
- (2) The New York Association Placer Claim, recorded in 1911, and that unless within the time prescribed by law you pay your pro-

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DEXTER CAYOUE, City of Seattle, State of Washington, United States of America—ss.

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, Dexter Cayouette, of Dan creek, Alaska, who deposes and says that the statements in the above notice are true, and that the said parties have not contributed any money as labor towards the assessment work on the mentioned claims for the period stated.

DEXTER CAYOUE, Subscribed and sworn to before me this twenty-fifth day of September, 1919.

(Seal) FORD O. ELVEDGE, Notary Public for the State of Washington.

My commission expires July 29, 1923. Date of first publication Oct. 1, 1919. Date of last publication Dec. 31, 1919.

### SUMMONS

In the District Court for the Territory of Alaska, Third Division. Torger Asbjornson plaintiff vs. Caroline Asbjornson, defendant. No. C-176. The President of the United States of America, Greeting to the above-named defendant:

You are hereby required to appear in the District Court for the Territory of Alaska, Third Division, within thirty days after the completion of the publication of this summons, to-wit, within thirty days after the 25th day of October, 1919, and answer the complaint of the above-named plaintiff in the above-entitled action, wherein said plaintiff prays that he be given an absolute decree of divorce from you forever dissolving the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between you and said plaintiff.

And unless you so appear and answer the plaintiff will take judgment against you for want thereof and will apply to the court for the relief demanded in his said complaint as hereinabove set out.

The date of the order for service by publication herein is September 3, 1919, and such order was duly made and entered and filed herein on said date.

The date of the first publication of this summons is September 13, 1919, and the date of its last publication is October 25, 1919.

WITNESS, The Honorable Charles E. Bunnell, Judge of said court, and the seal of said court, on this 3rd day of September, 1919.

(Court Seal) ARTHUR LANG, Clerk of the District Court for the Territory of Alaska, Third Division. By JOHN B. MILLER, Deputy.

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