MENIER'S ANTICOSTI.

A FRENCHMAN OWNS AN ISLAND OF TWO MILLION ACRES.

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"At the mouth of the St. Lawrence river, was the reply.

"Ah, Anticosti?"

"The Englishman noded.

"The price?"

"One hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars.

"Henri Menier had paid double that sum for a steam yacht. The amount was a trifle, not one month's income, and for sole ownership of an island two million acres of land, it was really ridiculous.

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France.

"'Why do you wish to sell it?'

"Because it is an elephant upon our hands,' was the frank reply. 'I am the secretary of a company called the Island of Anticosti Company, limited. The company bought the island in 1889 from the former owners, who had failed to make it pay, and now we wish to get rid of it. The price is small.'

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"Mr. Menier fully agreed with the latter statement, but his business instinct would not permit him to close a bargain without due investigation. The purchase of an orange, or a horse, or a locomotive for the private railway on his country estate, receives equal consideration.

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way on his country estate, receives equal consideration, "'Return tomorrow,' he said, briefly. I will look into the matter.' "Then he began to absorb information regarding this strange island which had so unexpectedly crossed the horizon of his daily life. He found the details interesting to the degree of fascination. He learned that Anticosti was a great bulk of land 135 miles long and 40 miles broad, lying at the mouth of the St. Lawrence river, and that it had for its nearest neighbors Labrador and Newfoundland and Halifax, names which conjured up visions of icebergs and dreary solitudes.

tudes.

"On the following day Kendrick visited him: he said, briefly, 'I am undecided. I will send a commission of three to investigate and report. Until then we will wait.

"It was simply the business shrewhess of the man, the shrewdness that had made him a king among financiers at 25, and a multi-millionaire at 30. With him the golden crown worn by Croesus would have had to bear weight and test before a franc was invested in it.

"It is only £25,000," persisted ndrick. 'A simple sum of \$125,000. e wood on the island is worth more in that."

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"I will send a commission,' replied Menier, imperturbably. 'If you do not care to wait—"

"Kendrick waited.
"A commission of three men selected by Menier set out at once, and in due course or time an enthusiastic cable message reached Paris. Then the commission returned and supplemented the message with more enthusiastic comments and reports.

"It's a wonderful place,' said the three. The soil is fertile, the fishing invaluable; the spruce forests covering the island are almost ample enough to supply the world with paper pulp,' in brief, the reports gave Anticosti the very best character.

"His business instincts satisfied, Menier closed the bargain at once, and became, the sole owner of a spot of land great enough and rich enough to form the realm of a king."—H. H. Lewis, in Ainslee's Magazine.

Papyrisette, a New Roofing Material.

A new roofing and flooring material has been invented by Mr. Gehre, who was the inventor also of papyrolith, over which the newer material is said to present advantages. Papyrisette can be adapted for various purposes; but it is especially intended to serve as a solid, impermeable and jointless roof or floor, which, when laid down, will present a smooth surface, as if made in one continuous layer. It is claimed to be absolutely fireproof and a non-conductor of cold or sound, and, although as hard as stone, it has a soft, linoleum-like feeling to the foot and is noiseless. Moreover, it can be cut, sawn and bored, can be given any desirable tint, and can be made to look like mosaic or marble.

GETTING CATTLE TO YUKON.

How the Northern Military Posts Are Supplied with Beef.

E, B. Hanley, who has a government contract for furnishing live bees to the various military posts of the Yukon, is spending a few days at the Imperial. He is preparing to take up a drove of cattle with him in the spring of 1901, and expects to go in by Skagway, freighting the stock from that point to White Horse Rapids by rail, 100 miles, and thence down the Yukon by boat and barge to the military posts, such as Circle City and Fort Yukon, says the Portland Oregonian.

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Mr. Hanley says the forwarding of cattle to Alaska is attended with many difficulties, and there is danger of loss from upsetting of barges or from the animals straying into the deep woods along the Yukon, and so beef is worth a good figure by the time it is safely landed at its destination. The stock has to be landed along the route frequently for the purpose of feeding, as the cattle have to live off the country they pass through. The woods are mostly of the dense order along the Yukon in American territory, and once a steer gets out of sight he becomes wild and scampers off where there is no possibility of following him. Horses cannot be used in that region, and the men on guard at night have to depend on their own fleetness of foot in heading off a "critter" which attempts to break away. The cattle, however, are usually very gentle by the time they reach the camping places along the river, as they have had a sea voyage, a freight car ride and a trip on the river boats. They are in good beef condition when they leave the states, and much care is bestowed on them while en route in order that they may hold their own until they are received by the government's agents.

Mr. Hanley does not think any part of Alaska will ever become a stock-raising country, although much has been said in its favor by persons who are not conversant with the stock-raising country suthough much has been said in its favor by persons who are not conversant with the stock-raising country, although much has been said in its favor by persons who are not conversant with the stock-raising country although much has been said in the favored portions." He has been along the coast of the Alaskan peninsula, and found no place where catrile can be maintained at a profit, and he considers that the men who call that a stock country know very little about the business.

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country know very little about the business. He has never attempted to take sheep into Alaska, because these animals could not be protected from the dogs which are numerous in that region, and so he thinks domestic mutton will always be at a premium there. "The Alaskan dogs," he said, "are trained to hunt the mountain sheep, and so cannot discriminate in favor of the domestic article when a band of these is brought into the country. The wild sheep are still numerous all over, and their fitesh is considered fully equal to mutton. They run in droves above the timber line, and there is very little danger of exterminating them for many years to come."

Phoenix, Arizona, recently had a pro-cession in which groups of cowboys were followed by groups of Indians, city officials, and Chinese.

California is the only place in the world where sait is harvested by plow-ing. Nature has made an inexhausti-ble deposit on the surface of the ground in the heart of the Colorado desert

A patent was taken out on a passenger elevator 66 years ago. But the first patent for a complete and practical elevator was given to Mr. E. G. Otis, of Yonkers, N. Y., in Januery 1861, so that, while the idea is much older, the elevator is only 39 years old.

One of the police officials of Chicago has discovered that that city has an ordinance which prohibits other pointed instruments, under penalty of a fine ranging from \$25 to \$50. The law has long been a dead letter, and even the city owns many such proscribed fences.

Dr. MacDonald, the resident surgeon of the Geraldton hospital, asserts that the complaint known in North Queensland as the earth-eating disease is assuming serious proportions at Geraldton and other northern towns, says British Australasian. It has raged at Cooktown and Townsville, and is extending nearly as far south as Brisbane. Dangerous results, he says, must ensue if immediate steps are not taken to suppress it, especially among children attending the public schools. Dr. MacDonald, the resident surge

A curious street car line is that be tween Atami and Yoshihoma, two coast towns in the province of Izie, Japan. The line is seven miles long, the rolling stock consists of a single car, and the motive power is furnished by a couple of muscular coolies, who actually push the car colong wherever power is necessary. When the car comes to a down grade they jump on and ride. The coolies who work this unique road are said to be astonishing specimens of physical development. The fare for a round trip over the road, including the expected tips for the crew, is 21 cents.

PEARLS OF THOUGHT.

To be great is to be misunderstood The dust we tread upon was one

alive.
Literature is the thought of think

Silence is as deep as eternity, speech as shallow as time.

What a strange thing is man! and what a stranger is woman!

Time dissipates to shining ether are solid angularity of facts.

All who joy would win must share it—happiness was born a twin.

Some people are so fond of ill luck that they run half way to meet it.

There is nothing so powerful as truth—and often nothing so strange.

There is no refuge from confession, but suicide; and suicide is confession.

A blessed companion is a book—a book that fitly chosen is a life-long

Government is a trust, and the of-ficers of the government are the trus-tees, and both the trust and the trust-tees are created for the benefit of the

WITHOUT THE FRILLS.

A Church Wedding Reported by a Man Who Wanted to Get Even.

An editor who was thoroughly tired of the foolishness that goes on at a church wedding finally got even as follows: "They were married in great style. All the elite of the town were invited, principally because it was thought that they would be more likely to bring elegant presents for the bride.

"Of course the ceremony took place in the church, and the church was most beautifully decorated for the occasion. Potted plants were borrowed here and there, wherever they could be secured without making the owner mad enough to fight.

"The bride's young lady friends had the decorations in charge, and when they were not making nosegays they were chewing the reg about the trouble and work, and wishing that the bride had sense enough to get up her own wedding. The ushers were claw hammer coats, parted their hair in the middle and stepped high when they walked down the aisle. The coats were hired from a costumer, and their white gloves came from an undertaker's who kept them on hand for funeral occasions.

"It was a ring ceremony. The ring was a monstrous gold band borrowed of the village jeweler. People called the bride lovely, but she was so homely that hollyhocks wouldn't grow in the dooryard where she lived. The bridegroom was dressed in conventional black, so called because his father once wore the coat to a Democratic convention. The presents were simply elegant. They came from people who couldn't afford to hire the washing done or buy baker's bread. Then after a 'sumptuous supper' the bride and groom went to St. Louis on their wedding tour, where they spent more money in 24 hours than both of them can earn in a month."—Atchison Globe.

The Very Idea of It!

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Very old persons and very young persons are apt to be great sticklers for etiquette, Queen Victoriawas an example of the one, and Lord Beauchamp, the present governor of New South Wales, of the other. Since the latter has occupied the government house at Sydney he has been at great pains to make official receptions as imposing and dignified as possible. With this end in view, he has ordained that only guests of a certain rank should be permitted to approach the presence through designated doors. To these blue tickets are awarded; to others of inferior mould, white.

At a recent function, through some mismanagement, an important public man received a blue card, while a white one was sent to his wife, and when the pair renched the audience chamber, there was trouble. The lady declined to be separated from her husband, or to abandon the aristocratic blue ranks. An aide-de-camp endeavored to reason with her, and explain the commotion that would ensue if blue and white were suffered to mingle together. But the fair one was equal to the occasion.

"Nonsense," said she, as she pressed forward; "what do you take us for? A seidlitz powder?"

The aide collapsed. And yet it is sometimes said that women have no sense of humor.—New York Evening Post.

Hints to Wives.

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Be adroit. Find occasion often to say:
"You work too hard, dearest!"
.Thus permitting your husband to reply:

Men think they are smart, and ar gratified with the opportunity to b humorous.—Detroit Journal.

ALARMING MORTALITY.

Noticeable Among the Weak and Ailing.

Spring the Time Death Reaps Its Largest Harvest.

There is a Way of Eluding the Grim Destroyer.

Every Spring it is noticeable how many people are taken away that we have been accustomed to see in our daily life. Statistics show that at no other sea-son of the year does so many deaths

Statistics show that at no other season of the year does so many deaths occur.

Especially large is the mortality among weak and sickly people.

The reason for this is apparent. The body that is weakened by age or disease has much to contend with during the Winter months. Insufficient exercise frequently has been taken. To much starchy and fatty foods have been eaten. The system has been allowed to become run down, and when Spring comes with its bright, sunshiny days, older people will begin to realize that their vitality has become very low. The same thing is true of people who are naturally sickly and weak.

This is the season of the year when even a strong person feels at his worst. That tired, restless feeling is experienced by too many.

There need not be as many deaths this year as usually take place. A little care will ward off many Spring for herals. If one is weak or alling they should take time by the forelock and take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. This great medicine has been in many cases, and will continue to be, the means by which the black angel of Death has been driven from the threshold. It dispels the grim destroyer in a scientific way, for it purifies the blood and gives strength and vitality to the nerves. It tones up and restores to a healthy condition all of the great life-giving organs of the body.

Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy will enable those who take it to throw off little ills that prove dangerous only when they attack a system already wasted and weakened.

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From many people, who have experienced benefit from this greatest of all life-lengtheners comes the following from the famous General Longstreet of 1217 New Hampshire avenue, Washington, D. C. He says:

"It gives me great pleasure to add my testimony with many others for Dr. Greene's Remedy, which I have used with highly beneficial results and I amable to recommend its virtues from experience. I have used it for catarrh and have derived help."

Mr. Wellington Hynes, Elizabethtown, N. Y., writes:
"I feel it my duty to tell how much good Dr. Greene's Nervura has done me, I was so run down that I could not sleep at night and everything worried me. I had no appetite and could not work, my head ached all the time and there was an all-gone feeling in my stomach and I was always looking on the dark side of everything. I began to take Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy and in less than three weeks I felt like a new man. I can now do as much work as is expected of a man my age. I advise any one who is troubled to take Dr. Greene's Nervura, ti ts cheaper than a doctor's bill."

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Nervura. It is cheaper than a cocci-bill."

The latter part of Mr. Hynes's ad-vice might be profitably disregarded, however, if you should feel you would like the advice of a physician. You can have such advice and have it free if you will write or call on the great-est known blood and nerve specialist, Dr. Greene, 35 W. 14th St., New York City.

The art of manicure had its origin in the convents of France many centuries

Sign.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed tobe and until the last few years was supposed tobe promounced it is local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly falling to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incursible. Science has proven catarrh to be a curs with local treatment, and the constitutional treatment. He was a constitutional treatment. He was a constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from drops to a tasapoonful. It acts directly on the drops to a tasapoonful. It acts directly on the constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from the constitution of the consti

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People who are not really ill—just languid and indisposed—will derive great benefit from taking Garfield Headache Powders, which are made from Health Giving Herbs.

Charleston, S. C., now sits up as the netropolis of the Southeast and slaim to be enjoying a boom.

The great public schools of the large cities use carter's lnk exclusively. It is the best and costs no more than the poorest. Get it. Several unique bills were introduced in the Wisconsin Assembly recently. The queerest was that by Mr. Young, of Eau Claire, which provides that after January 1, 1904, railway companies shall equip their trains with devices that will keep them on the track after derailment.

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As a sufferer for thirty years from the worst form of Psoriasis, finally cured by Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment, I wish to tell you my experience, that others may benefit by it. I was so grievously afflicted that the matter that exuded from my pores after the scales had peeled off, would cause my underclothing to actually gum to my body. After remaining in one position, sitting or lying down, for an hour or two, the flesh on my elbows and knees would split, so thick and hard would the crusty scales become. The humiliation I experienced, to say nothing of physical agony, was something frightful. The detached scales would fairly rain from my coat sleeves. I have read none of your testimonials that appear to represent a case so bad as mine. But as to the cure. I commenced bathing in hot Cuticura Soap suds night and morning, applied the Cuticura Ointment, and then wrapped myself in a sheet. In two weeks my skin was almost blood red in color, but smooth and without scales. Patches of natural colored skin began to appear, and in less than a month I was cured. I am now passed forty years of age and have skin as soft and smooth as a baby's. Hoping that others may benefit by my experience, and regretting that sensitiveness forbids me from disclosing my name,

I am yours gratefully,

J. H. M., Boston, Mass., Sept. 30, 1900.

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