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MANHATTAN ISLAND.

It Was Once a Spot Apart From the Island of Manhattan.
The Magazine of American History has called attention to a distinction in New York nomenclature that, despite the authority it quotes, "every Manhattanese" does not know. The magazine cites the following footnote to "The Spy," by James Fenimore Cooper and then comments on it:
"Every Manhattanese knows the difference between Manhattan Island and the Island of Manhattan. The first is applied to a small district in the vicinity of Corlear's Hook, while the last embraces the whole island, or the city and county of New York as it is termed in the laws.
"In other words, the latter is the present borough of Manhattan. Manhattan Island was a knoll along the old water front of the East river about an acre in extent surrounded by creeks and salt marsh and made an island by the tide. Near it was Henry Eckford's shipyard, an ancient landmark. It may be identified on General Egbert I. Viele's map of the water courses.
"In the reticulation of the present streets it lay between Rivington and Houston, Sheriff and Cannon streets. Columbia and Stanton streets intersect on what was about the center of the island. Just north of it was one of the tidal mouths of a stream that arose near First avenue on Sixth street, flowed through Tompkins square and reached the river between Manhattan Island and Burt Hill or Brands Munnah Point, about Third and Lewis streets."

ALASKA'S FERTILE LANDS.

Facts About Our Vast and Little Understood Territory.
Alaska is the most misunderstood and misrepresented section of the United States. People generally, and sincerely, believe that the name Alaska is synonymous with snow and ice and couple it accordingly with ice cream, frozen and cold drinks. Yet the principal cities of Alaska along its southern coast line—Juneau, Ketchikan, Cordova, Valdez and Seward—do not average as cold in midwinter as New York and are seldom as cold as Bath more and Washington during cold waves.
Alaska is one-fifth the size of the whole United States, and its prodigious area of about 600,000 square miles, nearly three times the size of the temperate zone, spreads from the arctic circle, to the equator. Not one square mile of it is in the latter. Below the circle lies a magnificent belt of fertile soil.
It is estimated by government authorities that the agricultural area of Alaska's fertile valleys and plains, on many of which cattle can be wintered without feeding, aggregate 30,000

MODERN WIRE ROPE.

Mathematical Precision Rules Every Process in Its Making.
Although wire rope has been used as a mechanical appliance for almost 5,000 years, it is commonly regarded as a modern invention. During the many years which have elapsed since the first records of its use wire rope has passed from a crude to a highly-developed product, and the purposes for which it is employed have increased a thousandfold. In no other branch of the American steel industry is there so great a demand for material of proved integrity, for it might be safely suggested that wire rope is born to be abused. It is subjected to tremendous tensile strains; it must withstand constant bendings, abrasion, corrosion and the peculiar internal stress produced by vibration.
Wire rope as it is made today is the product of the metallurgist and the mechanic. Every process, from the melting of the ores, the cold drawing of the wire and the heat treatments it receives down to the stranding or laying up of the cable, is conducted with mathematical precision.
The chemist sees that only steel of the proper analysis is used; the electric promoter insures uniformity of heat; treatment in various testing machines clearly develops the worth of the product before it is allowed to leave the mill. Wire rope is used in the mine shafts more than a mile in depth, and may be found on aeroplanes which sail a mile or more above the ground.—Technical World.

The Story of "Hard Hit."

"Mr. Orchardson, if I thought that by killing you I could pat a picture like yours I would stab you to the heart." Such was the remark made by Pellegrini, the famous caricaturist, to the Royal academician, Sir William Orchardson, when at a private view he first saw "Hard Hit," the picture of the ruined gambler. "It was," said the artist, "the greatest compliment I could have had." Curiously enough, the model who sat for the ruined gambler was rather fond of cards himself. One day the artist noticed that he looked somewhat depressed. "What is the matter?" he asked. "I was awfully hard hit last night," he was awfully hard hit last night," he answered. "By Jove," replied the artist, jumping up with delight, "I've got it at last! 'Hard Hit' of course." And that is how the picture got its name.
"I wish, John," she said regretfully, "I had had sense enough not to destroy all the letters you wrote me during the year and a half of your courtship."
He smiled in a gratified way. "I knew you would regret that some time," he said.
"Indeed I do," she replied. "I need a little change the worst sort of way, and the man who buys rags and old papers was here today. How wasteful we are in our youth!"
He looked at her reproachfully, and almost involuntarily his hand sought his pocketbook. It is seldom, indeed, that a resourceful woman has to make a direct request for money.—Chicago Post.
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