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Antediluvian Beasts That Live Frozen Waiting the Hand of Man to Mince Them of Vast Fortunes in Ivory Tusks.

Wealth is waiting for the man who shall have courage to essay a certain bold exploit. It is not gold, nor silver, nor yet precious gems, but ivory—the finest ivory in the world.

It exists in which are stored quantities of this valuable substance well nigh inexhaustible. This is no idle tale designed to inflame the imagination.

It is a cold fact, resting upon indisputable authority. Let the most adventurous spirit take advantage of the information which is given by the famous Lieutenant Schuetze, who was sent by the United States Government to bring back to this country the bodies of De Long and his companions after the Jeannette disaster.

These ill-fated men, it will be remembered, perished of starvation and cold in the Lena delta. The Lena rises in Eastern Siberia and flows to the north into the Arctic Ocean.

To the northeast of its mouth there is a group of islands known as New Siberia. It is on these islands that the ivory mines are to be found.

The Lena, however, has not one, but many mouths. Its delta covers an area of 5000 square miles.

This frozen region was thoroughly explored by Lieutenant Schuetze in his search for the bodies. Later he visited them again, bringing several thousand dollars worth of ivory.

These tusks, which were sent by Uncle Sam. Thus he secured their confidence, and they spoke to him of many things which they never had communicated to any other stranger.

They were mammoth tusks. The ivory mines are deposits of the tusks of mammoths that lived in that region thousands of years ago.

All over the vast Siberia these mammoths are found in vast herds. The climate at that time was comparatively mild, but there came a sudden change.

A winter swept over the land—a winter permanent and estimated never again to resign its sway. The mammoths sought shelter in the valleys, where they huddled together until overwhelmed by snowdrifts.

They were finally transformed into solid ice. This ice, composing glaciers, was swept through gorges toward the Arctic ocean, carrying the buried creatures.

Thus buried in ice, the mammoths were likely to be preserved for an indefinite period. Such, in fact, was the result, and to this day it occasionally happens that the thawing of a mass of ice by the short summer sun reveals the carcasses of these animals.

The Siberian natives had come to know Mr. Schuetze well, and told him about the ivory deposits in New Siberia. The islands of the group, they said, were built on mammoth bones.

Subsequent observation by the Lieutenant confirmed this statement. Mammoth ivory, he understood, is more highly valued than any other kind. It is worth \$4 a pound in the crude.

The tusks of a big fellow will measure 14 feet in length, and will weigh four times as much as the tusk of a large elephant.

The demand for ivory is now supplied to a great extent from Siberia. The mammoth tusks are carried enormous distances overland to reach the nearest railways.

This kind of ivory is known as "fossil" ivory, though that is a misnomer.—New York Sun.

Young Benny—Mr. Mashe called this morning, Aunt Louise, and I told him you were out.

Aunt Louise—You naughty boy! What did you say to him?

Young Benny—I said you'd been out all night.

Aunt Louise—Why, you wicked, disagreeable child. How dare you invent such horrible falsehoods!

Young Benny—Well, I heard papa say you came out last evening and that now you'd be out for good.

It is asserted that only the female mosquito bites. Though it is claimed that the carrier poison, the fact has never been proved.

Dom Pedro, Emperor of Brazil, was here the first man to have a private car, a car costing about \$3000.

She—Why, George, you know I need the umbrella.—Boston, Gazette.

HON. JOSEPH HOWE

SKETCH OF THE CAREER OF NOVA SCOTIA'S FAMOUS SON.

A Monument to Perpetuate His Memory Will Be Erected in Halifax—Success of the Movement—One of Canada's Noblest Sons.

The movement recently started in Halifax to raise a monument to the memory of the late Joseph Howe, Nova Scotia's most illustrious son, is meeting with great success.

Joseph Howe was born on the banks of the Northwest Arm, Halifax, on Dec. 18, 1804, and died in Government House on June 1, 1873.

John Howe was engaged in the printing business in Halifax and became Postmaster-General of Nova Scotia.

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PARTITION OF AFRICA

THE MOST FAMOUS TRIUMPH OF MODERN DIPLOMACY.

Cases of All the War Talk—In May 1885 Germany and Great Britain Fighting Fairly—Carving a Continent.

In recent years the powers of Europe found it to their mutual advantage to come together and reach an agreement on the subject of Africa.

The partition was very unlucky. It led to no end of disagreement. That disagreement has now reached a stage in this row over the Transvaal.

No one has alluded to the fact that the powers concerned in the partition, namely, Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Spain and Portugal, claimed dominion over the little strip of Republic.

It was a very unfortunate bargain. It is the cause of all the trouble to-day between Germany and Great Britain.

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THE USEFUL BANANA

Its Leaves and Pulp Applied to Many Purposes.

In the West Indies the dried leaves and prepared portions of the stem are used as packing materials.

Fresh leaves are used to shade young coffee or cacao seedlings in nurseries.

The young unopened leaves are so smooth and soft that they are used as a dressing for the hair.

The dried stalk of the plantain leaf is used as a rough kind of twine.

The larger part of the banana is made into soap or Fuller's earth.

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ADVANCED PORTUGAL (SOMEbody is always advancing word to Portugal in the matter of the Partition of Africa.)

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THE NEWS AT A GLANCE

Doings of the Wide World Tersefy Told.

THE HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK. Current Events Concisely Chronicled in Crisp Paragraphs—A Whole Newspaper in Two Columns.

RAILWAY RUMBLINGS. John K. Cowen has been elected president of the Baltimore and Annapolis Railway Co.

SOUTH AFRICAN AFFAIRS. A despatch from Cape Town says that the British Government has agreed to the construction of the Cape to Natal Railway.

THE WORLD'S NAVIES. The Chinese Government has suggested a large sum of money for the construction of a fleet.

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KARLEY THE HARDWARE MAN Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Brushes, Window Glass, Coal Oil, Machine Oil, Rope of all sizes, Builders' Hardware, Nails, Forks, Shovels, Drain Tile, Spades, Scoops, Iron Piping (all sizes), Tinware, Agate Ware, Lamps and Chimneys, Pressed Ware, &c. Guns and Ammunition.

WM. KARLEY Athens, Jan. 1st, 1895. Ladies' Hair Work Done with precision by Mrs. TUCKER, hair mill east of Village, near toll-gate, Athens.

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