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Jay Hell, by Will E. Hudson. Mr Hudson is a news-reel cameraman, and here he relates his experience on a trip taken in a 90-foot motor schooner, the "Polar Bear," the finest thing that ever stuck a steelclad nose against the ice in any man's ocean." Leaving Seattle, Hudson and his fellow-voyagers took the inside passage, threading their way inside the many islands on the Alaskan coast, then calling at some of the Aleutian Islands. They reached Petropavlovsk in Kamchatka, then turning N.E. stayed some time at East Cape in the Bering Straits. Creeping along the north coast of Alaska, they were frozen in, and had to leave their little ship and return overland. The contact with the Eskimo at vari-

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