

## WITH PEN AND SCISSORS

Reports confirm the belief that drinking liquor is on the decrease in the United States, although beer drinking seems to have increased. This is due, to a large extent, to elements of foreign immigration. It may be on the decrease, but there seems to be considerable room for further decrease, when we learn that the national bill for drinking amounts to nearly one and one-half billion dollars.

This is the advice given by George W. Perkins to young men who want to get ahead in the world: "Keep pegging away. Too many young men in this country don't want to work hard. They prefer to take things easy, stay up late at night and lie about too long in the morning. They never can get ahead that way. Time and conditions may change, but the old rule remains the same, that there is no success without keeping everlastingly at it." Mr. Perkins is one of New York's greatest financiers and attained his forty-fifth year recently. He is domestic in his habits and when office hours are ended each day he is at home with his family instead of whiling away his time in a club room.

"Uncle" Shelby Callom is to represent Illinois again in the United States senate. This is his fifth consecutive election to that national law-making body, and his re-election was brought about under the new primary law of that state which is similar to that in Oregon. This confers upon him a greater distinction than any other man has received in the history of the state of Illinois. He naturally appreciates the honor all the more, because for the first time the question of the selection of a United States senator was submitted to the people, and, without any active campaign on his part, the great majority of the voters declared him to be their preference. Until the recent primaries his name had not been submitted directly to the voters of the state since he was re-elected as governor in 1880, and it was, of course, no small gratification to him, after twenty-six years had come and gone, to have this expression of continued confidence and approval.

A railroad magnate has made an estimate of the additional mileage which he figures will be necessary to enable the railroads of the country to take care of the business which they find waiting for them. He says it will require an addition of about 25 percent to their present trackage. The present trackage may be said to amount to approximately 200,000 miles, so this will make construction of 50,000 miles needed. With the other necessary facilities which will have to be provided, the cost is estimated by him at \$1,100,000,000 a year for the next five years. While the railroads have immense resources, it may be doubtful whether they can raise any such sum as that. However, they have apparently made a beginning, as it is stated that already the expenses for the current year have been outlined at \$1,020,000,000.

A total of 1903.06 acres of land lying within the Ronde Indian reservation in Yamhill County is being offered for sale by the Government. These lands were segregated by the Government for the use of the remnants of Southern Oregon Indian tribes some fifty years ago. A. F. Hedges, an early pioneer of Clackamas County, was the agent appointed by President Buchanan to superintend the settlement of the Indians upon this reservation, the construction of their houses and their instruction in the elements of civilized life. The land segregated was more than the Indians needed or could utilize, and, as their numbers have decreased since the days of "Scar-Face Charlie," "Crooked-Mouth Jim" and the rest of the rascally horde that made the valleys of the Umpqua and Rogue Rivers scenes of massacre and pillage in the early Indian wars, the Government offers for sale this large tract of land suitable for grazing. The solution of the Indian problem is witnessed in the practical failure of this half-century-old scheme of making farmers and stockgrowers of the roving, care-free, lazy, vindictive Indians that opposed by savage warfare the "coming of the white man."

Among the recent government publications using the abbreviated form of spelling is one issued by the Civil Service Commission giving instructions to those who desire to undergo examination.

It will be noticed among the rules one that for every word misspelled a demerit of five points will be charged. The Commission uses the new, the applicant uses the old—spelling "through" with all its letters, will be marked down? To be on the safe side it will be well to spell it both ways. There have been many funny things in Civil Service examinations. A few years ago an examination was being held by the local board in one of the cities of the Middle West. In one of the dictations the word "separate" occurred three times. Nine applicants were taking the examination, six of them spelled it "separate," three, "separate," and three were given a correct score while the six were marked down. At the same examination one of the questions propounded was "Name the two rivers that form the principal boundary of West Virginia." Only three attempted to answer it; no two of the three gave the same answer. One of them was right, but it was marked incorrect, while the other two who had given two entirely different answers were each credited as being correct.

**Hunting for Trouble.**  
"I've lived in California 20 years, and am still hunting for trouble in the way of bruises, sores, wounds, boils, cuts, sprains, or a case of piles that Bucklen's Arnica Salve won't quickly cure," writes Charles Walters, of Alhambra, Sierra Co. No use hunting, sir. We cure every case. Guaranteed. Chas. Strang, drug store, 25 cents.

### Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transactions have been recorded since the last issue of this paper.

C. G. Gall to McDonough et al, land in section 30, twp 35, 2 w, \$1000.

U. S. to J. R. Ritter, 100 acres in twp 39, 3 w, patent.

V. Roland to Ida M. Roland, land in twp 36, 2 w, \$1.

H. Nutt et ux to Wm. Mendenhall et al, Mining claims in Kanes creek mining district, \$100.

A. Livingston et ux to G. S. Butler, Lots 16 and 17, Ashland Homestead Association tract, \$500.

Emma Wing to T. R. Pine, 3 acres in Ashland, \$225.

T. R. Pine to Mrs. R. M. Presley, 3 acres in Ashland, \$10.

J. E. C. Dewey to Wm. McIntire, 5 acres in twp 39, 1 e, \$12.

E. F. Layton to A. Mee et ux, 100 acres in twp 39, 4 w, \$1500.

E. R. Reames et al to Oliver Russell, Lot 3, section 10, twp 37, 2 w, \$100.

Conrad Miquis et ux to Clara Macaulay, 1.34 acres in twp 37, 2 w, \$127.50.

J. T. Hardeman et ux to G. F. King, Land in twp 33, 3 e, \$1200.

G. F. King, et ux to W. E. Wheeler, Land in twp 33, 3 e.

C. H. Mitchell et ux to Wm. E. Wheeler, 100 acres in twp 32, 3 e, \$2000.

Emil Pelt to Peter Ritter et ux, Land in Ashland, \$500.

Elizabeth Culbertson to O. R. Bell, 53 1-3 acres in twp 34, 1 w, \$200.

A. W. Sturgis et ux to F. E. Martin, Lots 2 and 3, block 2, Medford, \$1500.

U. S. to P. J. Ryan, 200 acres in twp 36, 2 w, patent.

Wm. McIntire et ux to D. P. Two-good, 5 acres in twp 39, 1 e, \$25.

D. P. Two-good et ux to E. M. McIntire et ux, 5 acres in twp 39, 1 e, \$100.

Mrs. Huldah Colver to W. F. Towne, Lots 23 and 24, Phoenix, \$100.

J. J. Fryer et ux to Laura M. Abbott, Land in twp 38, 1 w, \$100.

W. H. Milton et ux to A. J. Milton, 4 2-3 acres in twp 35, 4 w, \$75.

Big Bend Milling Company to F. Blank, 5080 acres in twp 35, 3 e, \$161,200.

F. Blank to W. L. Harkness, 4120 acres in twps 35 and 36, 3 e, \$181,000.

U. S. to E. S. McLean, Land in twp 40, 1 w, patent.

A. J. Anderson et ux to W. Bowman north 1/4 of lots 11 and 12, blk. Park add to Medford, \$1000.

Elizabeth T. Owen et ux to Anna L. Robinson, Lot 24, Highland add to Medford, \$100.50.

J. W. Coss et ux to Lulu Kelly, lot 8, block 11 Medford, \$800.

Mary E. Weiss et ux to Jas. H. McKill, Land in twp 39, 2 w, \$10.

M. L. McDonald et ux to A. A. Moore, Lots 6 to 10, block E, and 1/4 Home street, Talent, \$800.

Ashland Creamery to D. Perozzi, 11043 square feet of land and creamery plant, Ashland, \$144.

**Cures Winter Cough.**  
J. E. Gove, 101 N. Main Street, Ottawa, Kans., writes: "Every fall it has been my wife's trouble to catch a severe cold and therefore to cough all winter long. Last fall I got her a bottle of Horehound Syrup. She used it and has been able to sleep soundly all night long. Whenever the cough troubles her, two or three doses stops the cough, and she is able to be up and well." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Chas. Strang, Medford, Oregon, Central Point Pharmacy.

**Probate Court.**  
Matter of guardianship of Esas E. Eddie F. and Richard E. Payne, minor heirs of Richard E. Payne, deceased. Inventory and appraisal filed, showing estate to be valued at \$700.  
Estate of Sarah Lake, deceased. Inventory and appraisal filed, showing estate to be valued at \$1939.  
Estate of August Costel, deceased. Will admitted to probate and ordered that Pierce Provost and J. H. Provost be appointed executors. Also ordered that G. S. Butler, Albert Kinney and F. D. Wagner be appointed appraisers.

Estate of Corollia A. Gore, deceased. Order appointing W. S. Gore administrator and Sam Van Dyke, John Gore and H. G. Wortman appraisers.

Estate of Mary J. Condit, deceased. Ordered that March 2, 1907, be appointed as the day for hearing final settlement of said estate.

Estate of Sarah Dunlap, deceased. Bond of Owen Dunlap, administrator, filed.

Estate of T. K. Roberts, deceased. Inventory and appraisal filed, showing estate to be valued at \$200.

Estate of Helen E. Moore, deceased. Ordered that ten days be given Edward Porter and Lillie E. Crowson in which to file a brief of motion made in this estate.

Estate of Euphania Edmondson, deceased. Order to sell real property.

Estate of Lewis Edward Land, deceased. Ordered that Emma Land be appointed administrator.

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**Birds and Kites.**  
No bird, so far as known records show, has ever alighted on a kite or attacked one. While a scientist was flying a train of five kites some years ago a large silver tipped eagle came suddenly out of the higher air and swooped round and round the first kite, looking against the sunset sky like a huge silver ball. As the train of kites was pulled in the eagle followed, visiting one kite and then another, seeming uncertain just what to do. In a few minutes, when he seemed to have decided that they were not good to eat and he knew nothing about them, anyway, he indignantly flew off and was lost to view. While the scientist's kites were high in the air one March flock of geese flying in the wedge flew over. They invariably stopped, broke up, hovered above the queer object and at last slowly reformed and flew away. While the larger birds all came from heights above the kite, the small birds of the air will alight on the string holding the kite and away to and fro.

**Mysterious Glass Balls.**  
According to a foreign correspondent of the geological survey at Washington, among the most interesting features of the small island of Billiton, between Sumatra and Borneo, an island long famous for its rich tin mines, controlled by the Dutch government, are the "glass balls of Billiton," found among the tin ore deposits. These natural glass balls are round, with grooved surfaces. Similar phenomena are occasionally found in Borneo and Java as well as in Australia. The correspondent quoted thinks they cannot be artificial, and there are no volcanoes near enough to support the theory that they are volcanic bombs. Besides, it is claimed, the glassy rocks produced by the nearest volcanoes are quite different in their nature from the material of the balls. It is suspected that the mysterious objects were ejected ages ago from the volcanoes of the moon and afterward fell upon the earth.

**"Caracul"—Its Etymology.**  
Often been asked for the etymology of "caracul," which is a term used by furriers to denote the fur of the fox called astrakhan. A new English dictionary does not contain caracul, but it has caracul, which is liable to be confused with it, though really quite a different word. The caracul is an animal, but caracul, like the nearly synonymous term, astrakhan, is the name of a place—Karakul, i. e., the Black lake, near Bokhara, which has long been celebrated for its output of furs. The earliest reference I can find to it in English is in Matthew Arnold's "Sohrab and Rustum."

And on his hand he set his sheepskin cap, Black, glossy, curled, the fleece of Kara Kul.

—London Notes and Queries.

**Living in the Electric Light.**  
Writing to a friend in the country, a New York merchant says: "I live in the electric light. I leave my home at 7 o'clock, after dressing and taking my breakfast by electric light. Then I go to the subway, one block distant, and ride to within a block of my office. There I work all day by electric light and go home again by the subway and spend the evening in the glare of the incandescent lamp. The weather conditions make no difference, because my flat and my office belong to the sunless kind. Sometimes I wonder what I would do without electric light, and sometimes I ask myself when I years for a little sunlight. Is the new light really a blessing?"—New York Tribune.

**John Stuart Mill.**  
The genius of this great Englishman was such that before he was twenty he was recognized as the champion and future leader of a powerful school of philosophy and politics. John Stuart Mill is said to have studied Greek at the age of three and at fourteen had begun logic and political economy. The writings and doctrines of this master mind were and are still read and preached not only in this country, but throughout the world. John Stuart Mill stands out prominently among nineteenth century thinkers.—London Mail.

**Hardened.**  
"Listen to this, Maria," said Mr. Stubbs as he unfolded his scientific paper. "This article states that in some of the old Roman prisons that have been unearthed they found the petrified remains of the prisoners." "Gracious, John!" replied Mrs. Stubbs, with a smile. "I suppose you would call them hardened criminals."—Chicago News.

**But He Was Cured.**  
"I think I'll have to take treatment for the forgetting habit. From whom did you take your treatment that was so satisfactory and successful in improving your memory?"  
"From—ah, from—ah—oh, I forget his name, but wait a minute, and I'll get one of these cards out of my desk."—Exchange.

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**The State Bread of Hungary.**  
In Hungary they do not eat fresh bread. Whether it is because the Hungarians believe in hygiene more than their American or European brothers and sisters or not has never been told, but the Magyar is partial to stale bread, and the staler the better. His "roskenyer," or ordinary black bread, as it is eaten by the very large majority of the Magyar population, is carefully laid away on a shelf and dug out for consumption months and months after it has come out of the great ovens. If the huge loaf, weighing something like five pounds and for which the Hungarian pays 6 or 7 kreutzers, equivalent to about 3 or 4 cents in American money, has carefully been hidden away for two years, it is considered all the better. The Hungarian never thinks of where the bread is to come from tomorrow. He thinks of where it is to come from next year, for he has at least a year's supply on the shelves. The Hungarian bakes her bread 335 days ahead of time. Her Wednesday baking is for the Wednesday of a year to come; her Thursday baking for the Thursday of a year to come.

**To Cut the Night in Two.**  
Professor Victor Hillebrand, member of the Paris Academy of Medicine, says:

The true secret of long continued, valuable brain work is to cut the night in two. The scholar, the inventor, the financier, the literary creator, should be asleep every night by 10 o'clock, to wake again at, say, 2 in the morning. Three hours' work, from 2 to 5, in the absolute tranquility of the silent hours should mean the revealing of new powers, new possibilities, a wealth of ideas undreamed of under the prevailing system.

From 5 to 8 or 8:30 sleep again. Taking up then the day's work, the brain will be still saturated with the mental fruits of the midnight vigil; there will be no effort in putting into practice or carrying further what was planned or begun those few hours before.

The habit may be hard to acquire, but mechanical means of waking at first will induce the predisposition.—New York World.

**The Military Death Sentence.**  
"You know how a soldier traitor is put to death," said the colonel. "The traitor stands blindfolded, and half a dozen privates shoot at him simultaneously. But perhaps you don't know that each of those privates, though he takes the most careful aim, may afterward say without fear of contradiction that the traitor's blood does not stain his hands. This is the reason: Two of the rifles for this ghostly shooting are always loaded with blank cartridges. Then they are shuffled, and no one knows which the harmless ones are. The executioners draw, and each is as likely as not to draw a harmless one. So when they shoot they can solace themselves with the thought that maybe they are only shooting a blank cartridge at the poor blindfolded wretch before them."

**John Ruskin.**  
It was with a volume entitled "Modern Painters," which created a sensation in 1843 by reason of the brilliancy of its style and the originality of its views, that John Ruskin first established his fame as an art critic. His ultimate writings welded an immense influence in creating a new interest in the beauty of nature and of art in England. Then, again, his philosophical works have done much to vivify ideals of life and ennoble our standards of conduct. Ruskin, however, was not only a philosopher, art critic and political economist, but also a philanthropist. He devoted time and money to the promotion of home industries and always worked with the one great aim of improving the condition of his country and countrymen.—London Mail.

**Marriages in Bible Times.**  
From the Bible accounts of the marriages of Jacob with Leah and Rebecca and from other narratives of marriages in Jewish history it seems that marriage was not held to be a sacrament or religious rite in the times of the patriarchs. In those days the head of the family, the father, was priest and ruler of the family and the only priest or ruler whose authority it recognized. As far as we learn from the Bible narrative in the case of Jacob's marriages, the simple giving of his daughters by Isaac constituted the marriage, there being no religious or other ceremony whatever. Of course, however, marriages in this way were just as sacred and just as binding as those performed in the most ceremonious manner. In those days in Protestant countries the marriage laws do not look upon marriage as a sacrament, but only as a civil contract, though most people prefer to give it a certain religious sanction by having it performed by a church minister.—St. Louis Republic.

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### THE OLD FARM.

Thoughts It Brought to One Who Knew It as a Boy.

One morning I was awakened with a strange new joy in my mind. It came to me at that moment with indescribable poignancy, the thought of walking barefoot in cool fresh plow furrows, as I had once done when a boy. So vividly the memory came to me—the high airy world, as it was at that moment, and the boy I was, walking free in the furrows—that the weak tears filled my eyes, the first I had shed in many years. Then I thought of sitting in quiet thickets in old fence corners, the wood behind me rising still, cool, mysterious, and the fields in front stretching away in illimitable pleasantness. I thought of the good smell of cows at milking. You do not know if you do not know! I thought of the sights and sounds, the heat and sweat of the hayfields. I thought of a certain brook I knew when a boy that flowed among alders and willow parlors, where I waded with a three foot rod for trout. I thought of all these things as a man thinks of his first love. Oh, I craved the soil. I hungered and thirsted for the earth. I was greedy for growing things.—American Magazine.

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### ADMINISTRATOR FINAL NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of L. Hubert, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of L. Hubert, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Oregon, for Jackson County, Oregon, her final account as such Administrator and that the said court has fixed Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M., as the date upon which said final account will be heard. All persons interested in having objections to the same will file their objections thereto on or before said date.  
Dated the 11th day of January, 1907.  
E. F. HUBERT,  
Administrator.

### ADMINISTRATRIX FINAL NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estate of William Herriott, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administratrix of the estate of William Herriott, deceased, has filed in the County Court of Oregon, for Jackson County, Oregon, her final account as such Administratrix and that the said court has fixed Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907, at 10 o'clock A. M., as the date upon which said final account will be heard. All persons interested in having objections to the same will file their objections thereto on or before said date.  
Dated the 11th day of January, 1907.  
A. E. HERRIOTT,  
Administratrix.

### Notice of Final Settlement.

In the matter of the Estate of John H. Brantner, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Administratrix of said estate cannot estate has filed her final account as such Administratrix, and by order of the Honorable George W. Fenn, County Judge, said final account will be heard on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 1907, at one o'clock P. M., of said date. All persons interested are hereby notified to appear and offer their objections to said account, if any they have, on or before said date and hour. This order made and entered by the County Court the 4th day of February, 1907.  
MRS. MARY BRANTNER,  
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