

Letter Writing.

De Quincey advised "all who would read our noble language in its native beauty, may in its phraseology, delicate yet showy in its composition, steal the mail bags and break open the letters in female handwriting!"

Hurled into Sunshine.

"I was in Petrograd just after the revolution, during the first appraisal of the new assets," writes Isaac F. Marcossow in Everybody's. "Like prisoners long immured in the dark and suddenly hurled into the sunshine, the people blinked in the strange light of their unfamiliar emancipation."

A Siberian Wonder.

The scientists have for years been perplexed over the wonderful frozen well at Yakutsk, Siberia. As long ago as 1828 it was announced that the ground was frozen to an abnormal depth at the place referred to.

Tortoise Shell.

The finest of tortoise shell is said to be that which comes from the Indian archipelago, although much of that obtained on the Florida coast is of the very best quality, says the Scientific American.

Loose Clothes Are the Best.

To keep the body healthy clothes should not be tight, declares the National Safety Council, quoted in the Scientific American. In cold weather we should wear lightweight clothes while in the house.

New Experience.

"You seem very patient with shop-pers, young man; don't mind showing the goods."

The Division.

Redd—So they are divorced at last? Greene—Yes; at last. "What sort of a division did the judge make?"

Austria's Black and Yellow.

The Austrian black and yellow were the colors of the Holy Roman Empire. They were adopted, so the story goes, by Frederick Barbarossa, whose fancy was captured at a ceremony in Mayence by the black and gold flooring of the hall.

That Made a Difference.

A cartman charged with overloading his horse was asked how heavy a load he had on his truck. "About a ton," he replied, "but it was all light stuff."

Sure of It.

"I have looked over this girl Will is so crazy about, and I tell you she won't answer."

Glory, ambition's armies, fleets thrones, crowns—playthings of grown children—Victor Hugo.

RUNNING THE GANTLET

By WARREN MILLER

"Mr. Humphrey," said the president of the bank who had sent for me to come to his private office, "we have \$30,000 to go to M. today, and I have a mind to send it by you. Would you care to undertake the delivery?"

I didn't like the job, for we were in the far west, where desperadoes abounded, and if one of them suspected I had so large an amount with me murder would not stand in his way to possess it. But if I wished promotion in the bank it would never do for me to blinch at such an offer, which was really an order. So I accepted the charge.

I left the bank with thirty \$1,000 bills in a large pocketbook in the breast pocket of my coat. Of course from the start I had my eye on everybody in sight, wondering if some one of them was not intending to rob me. One person arrested my attention from the peculiarity of his appearance.

Going to my room, I took a suit case full of clothes and on emerging noticed the man with the zebra waistcoat on the opposite side of the street looking in at a shop window. His back was to me, and I kept my eye on him till I had turned a corner.

My heart sank within me. But we are all natural gamblers, and I at once laid out a game for my money and my life. I picked up my suit case, which I had deposited on the floor, and held it on my lap. Then I went to the water cooler for a drink, carrying the suit case with me.

Meanwhile an ugly looking man in a woolen shirt and sombrero went and sat down by the man with the zebra waistcoat, and the latter gave him some piece of information which I was sure referred to the money being in the suit case.

I looked about me to see if there was any one on whom I could rely for help. There were not half a dozen persons, and they would all be frightened out of their wits the moment the attack was made. I saw my enemies consulting earnestly and felt sure the blow was about to fall.

Like a whirlwind the two men dashed past me and as they did so seized my suit case. Carrying it with them, they jumped off the train just as it was moving on with accelerated speed.

I explained the matter to no one, keeping my secret till I had delivered the money and returned, when I told the president of the bank. The incident led to the discovery that our porter was in league with a gang of road agents. The president gave me my choice of a big reward for saving the money or the position of assistant cashier, which he created for me.

I often wish to have seen the expression on the robbers' faces when they opened the suit case and found no money.

A KING'S SECRET

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

"What are you doing, Jean?" asked a soldier of his comrade in barracks in Paris.

"I am commemorating the scene we witnessed today," He was having tattooed on his right arm in India ink a picture of a gullotine with a figure lying on it.

"What are you doing now?" asked the other again. "I am beginning to have tattooed under the picture of the guillotine the words 'Death to kings and tyrants.'"

These men had been stationed with their corps about the scaffold on which Louis XVI. had that day been beheaded. He who tattooed his arm was young and an enthusiastic revolutionist.

But that was an age when the people of France rose to the surface. The kings and nobles passed away, and the commoners took their places. A great commander arose, and with him he pulled up many others. Among them was the soldier who had tattooed his arm. Sergeant Jean Bernadotte under Napoleon became a marshal of France and married a relative of the emperor.

During the early part of the nineteenth century Bonaparte was conquering kingdoms. He did not make republics of them. He had been a republican and had made up his mind that the government France most needed was a monarchy, with himself at its head.

The throne of Sweden became vacant, and Napoleon nominated—who? The man who had stood guard over his king when he was executed and had tattooed a picture of the deed on his right arm with the words under it, "Death to kings and tyrants."

There was a king with his own condemnation indelibly stamped on his person. There was no eliminating it. The king was doomed to wear the now hated picture of the death of his sovereign till his own death should destroy it.

The supreme object of the king of Sweden's life was to guard his secret. No valet was called upon to hand him his clothing when he dressed in the morning or to take it from him when he disrobed at night. The office of master of the robes was a sinecure.

In those days when a person was ill the doctors drew blood from him. This was done by lancing the right arm. There is a story that the king of Sweden fell ill, and the doctors suggested that he bare his right arm to be bled.

The king recovered, but he was destined to die in his bed. When his last illness came upon him and he believed his end was approaching he sent for Dr. Gorgensen, his principal physician, and charged him in case he died to see that his right arm was exposed to no one except himself.

When the king was known to be dead Dr. Gorgensen sent every one out of the room and, having locked the doors, lifted the sleeve that covered the dead sovereign's right arm. There was the guillotine, the body strapped to it and the words "Death to kings and tyrants."

Strange it is that this peasant king was the only person whom Napoleon created a sovereign whose descendant now sits on a throne.

Strange Proof of Heredity.

So far as his work is concerned we remember a basally post named Richard Savage for one solitary line—that in which he speaks of the "teeth transmitter of a foolish farce." It catchily conveys the notion of heredity and suggests the sort of wonderful family likeness of which one has just been told to the Royal Society of Medicine.

The first Earl of Shrewsbury, who died in 1453, was born with a physical peculiarity—the little finger and the finger adjoining on each hand had only one joint, the first two bones being united. The same abnormality affected all the toes except the big ones.

Defining a Wife. The pretty schoolteacher had asked her class for the best original definition of "wife," and the boy in the corner promptly responded, "A rib."

And keeps him from making a fool of himself," put in another girl. "Some one for a man to find fault with when things go wrong," said a sorrowful little maiden.

A man should be upright, not have to be kept straight.—Marcus Aurelius.

Mother. Most of all the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds—plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in all the wide world.—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

Strong One Way. Wife—My husband is not well. I'm afraid he'll give out. Wife's Mother—Well, he may give out. He certainly never gives in.

The highest liberty is harmony with the highest laws.—Giles.

In UNITY There Is STRENGTH. Illustration of a man in armor with a sword and shield.

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Notice to Creditors

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, In and for Jackson County. In the Matter of the Estate of Frances Marion Bailey, deceased.

Summons.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON. Sibly M. Bird, Plaintiff.

vs. Della D. Walker, Julius Syffort, Harvey W. Craig, Francis Craig, Evelyn Syffort, Jaffrey E. Brees, Leroy Craig, Minnie J. Craig, Edmund J. Craig, Letta M. Craig, Arthur R. Craig, Defendants.

To Della D. Walker, Julius Syffort, Harvey W. Craig, Francis Craig, Evelyn Syffort, Jaffrey E. Brees, Leroy Craig, Minnie J. Craig, Edmund J. Craig, Letta M. Craig, Arthur R. Craig—Defendants: You and each of you are hereby commanded to appear within six weeks after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: six weeks after the 4th day of August 1917, and defend the above entitled cause in the above entitled court and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed herein and in case of your failure so to do judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the complaint: For a decree of this Court declaring you and each of you to be enjoined from asserting any right, title, interest or claim of any kind or character in or to the following described premises or any portion thereof, to-wit: a strip of land commencing 1 72 chains south of the northeast corner of Location Land Claim No. 75 in section 26 in township No. 37 S. of Range No. 2 W. Willamette Meridian; thence east 23.27 chains; thence south 43 links; thence west 23.27 chains; thence north 43 links to the place of beginning; and for a further decree of this Court quieting title to said lands and premises in this plaintiff, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable.

Service of this summons is made by publication thereof in the Jacksonville Post, pursuant to an order of the Hon. F. M. Calkins, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered July 30, 1917.

E. F. MULKEY, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice of Final Settlement

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, FOR JACKSON COUNTY.

In the matter of the Estate of Jeremiah Nunan, deceased. Notice is hereby given that Charles Nunan, administrator of the above entitled estate, as such, has filed his final account and report in the above entitled court and matter and Tuesday, September 4, 1917 at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. at the courtroom of above entitled court at the court house at Jacksonville, Jackson County, State of Oregon, has been appointed as the time and place for hearing of objections thereto and for the settlement thereof.

CHARLES NUNAN, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.

In the matter of the Estate of Ruth Keizer, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Clarence A. Keizer, the administrator of the estate of Ruth Keizer, deceased, has presented to and filed in said Court his final report and petition for distribution to the parties entitled thereto the residue of the said estate and that Monday the 10th day of September, A. D. 1917, at 10:00 in the forenoon of said day at the Court room of said Court in said County has been fixed as the time and place for the hearing of said final report and petition when and where any person interested in said estate may appear and file his exceptions in writing to said petition and contest the same.

Dated this 10th day of August, A. D., 1917.

CLARENCE A. KEIZER, Administrator of Estate of Ruth Keizer

Notice of Final Account

In the matter of the estate of D. Thomas Kunkel, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of D. Thomas Kunkel, deceased, has filed in the above entitled court, his final account and that Monday, the third day of September, 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M. at the court room of said court in Jacksonville, Jackson County, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place for the hearing of said Final Account and for the settlement of said estate. All persons having objections to said account or any part thereof, are required to make or file the same in said Court, on or before the time aforesaid, set for the settlement of said estate.

Dated and first published August 4, 1917. J. R. NEIL, Administrator.

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