Letter Writing.

De Quincey advised "all who would read our poble language in its native beauty, racy in Its phraseology, delicate yet sinewy in its composition, to steal the mail bags and break open the letters in female handwriting!

After reading this it was not a surprise to find that credit is given for the invention of letter writing to a woman -a woman of royalty-the Persian princess, Alossa. According to one of the old writers, this invention was a marvelous "easement" to the absent lover and anxious friend.

Southey said, "A letter is like a fresh billet of wood upon the fire, which, if it care to undertake the delivery?" be not needed for immediate warmth, is

In her "Sonnets From the Portuguese" Mrs. Browning says: My letters! All dead papers, mute and

And yet they seem alive and quivering

-Los Angeles Times.

Hurled Into Sunshine.

"I was in Petrograd just after the revolution, during the first appraisal of the new assets," writes Isaac F. Marcosson 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. The one time balliwick of the czars was a study in scarlet-animate like an American city during a national convention. Its great thoroughfare-the Nevski Prospektonce the street of sacrifice, was now the highway of happiness. Never was there such glad reunion. It was like the meeting of lost tribes after much streamed in from Siberia under the general amnesty; Jews came forth from their long restraint, for creed lines password that loosed every tongue."

A Siberian Wonder.

The scientists have for years been well at Yakutsk, Siberia. As long ago ground was frozen to an abnormal depth at the place referred to. In the summer of 1829 a Russian merchant set a gang of men to the task of ascertaining the depth of the frozen stratum. They gave up the job after digging some thirty feet in solidly frozen for a victim. But why this fantastic ground. The Russian Academy of Sci- attire? Then it all rushed upon me ences took the matter in hand and be- suddenly. It was to attract my attentween 1838 and 1844 dug to a depth of 382 feet and then abandoned the shaft because the earth was still frozen as hard as a rock. Natural cold could never penetrate to such a depth, and the information of my bearing the the phenomena is still unexplained.

The finest of tortoise shell is said to be that which comes from the Indian archipelago, although much of that laid out a game for my money and my obtained on the Florida coast is of the life. I picked up my suit case, which I very best quality, says the Scientific had deposited on the floor, and held it plates on the back of the animal called | cooler for a drink, carrying the sult of the others four plates, the latter sult case out of my hand. Finally I containing the best material. Besides opened it, pretending to make sure as these, there are twenty-five small I did so that no eye was upon me, and, plates around the edges of the shell, known as "feet" or "noses." The biggest turtle does not furnish more than stxteen pounds of shell. Formerly the undershell was discarded as worthless, but now it is much esteemed for its delicacy of coloring.

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 doors put on heavy outer clothing.

Do not wear a tight hat. It cuts off the blood from the skin of the head and makes you bald. A soft hat is the best. Do not eripple your feet with tight shoes. Shoes that fit cost no more.

New Experience.

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

"I used to canvass from door to door," explained the new clerk, "It's a novelty to me to find people even willing to look at the stuff."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Division. Redd-So they are divorced at last? Greene-Yes; at last. "What sort of a division did the

judge make?" "Oh, she got the custody of the car. and he's allowed to look after the mortgage."-St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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 May ence 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 stoff."-Boston Transcript.

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

answer. "Oh, yes, she will, if anybody asl her."-Baltimore American.

Glory, ambition a armies, fleets thrones, crowns-playthings of grown children-Victor Huge.

RUNNING THE **GANTLET**

By WARREN MILLER

"Mr. Humphrey." said the president | "What are you doing, Jean?" asked come to his priyate office, "we have Paris, \$30,000 to go to M. today, and I have a mind to send it by you. Would you

I didn't like the job, for we were in always agreeable for its exhilarating 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 der the picture of the guillotine the possess it. But if I wished promotion in the bank it would never do for me Against my tremulous hands which loose the string

And let them drop down on my knees to-

I left the bank with thirty \$1,000 was not intending to rob me. One per- was but a French peasant and a serson arrested my attention from the peculiarity of his appearance. He was standing on the bank steps when I went out, looking carelessly up the street. He wore green spectacles, a very shabby suit and a high plug hat. The most remarkable feature of bis apparel was a waistcoat with stripes picked up his clothes piecemeal, where he could find them cast off from their wandering in the wilderness. Exiles original owners. He paid no attention to me. Indeed, I had no evidence that he was aware of my existence.

Going to my room, I took a suit case were down; delegations of troops flock- full of clothes and on emerging noticed ed from the front. Equality was the 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 1 had turned a corner. In this way I perplexed over the wonderful frozen made sure he had not seen me come out of the house nor during my going as 1828 it was announced that the away from it. Proceeding to the station, I boarded the train, and as it rolled out the car door opened, and who should step in but the man with the zebra waistcont.

He gave me a glance as he took his seat, and I knew he had spotted me tion from some confederate who was keeping me in sight and who doubtless had informed him of my proceeding. They could only have received money from some one in the bank who had let it out for gain or unintention-

My heart sank within me. But we are all natural gamblers, and I at once American. There are three rows of on my lap. Then I went to the water 'blades" by the fishermen. In the case with me, Next I changed my central row are five plates and in each | seat, never for a moment letting the opened it, pretending to make sure as thrusting my hand in between the clothing, gave evidence by my expression that what I sought was there.

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. Not feeling that my effort to throw the men off the scent would avail-for when they robbed me, not finding the money where they expected it, they would force me to prowhile in the house. Upon going out of duce it-I concluded to get off the train at the first stop. I did so and saw the two men standing on the platform as well. As the train moved on I stepped aboard, and my followers re-entered at

the other end of the car. 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. The train was running through a sparsely settled country. While looking out of the window I saw a short distance ahead a man standing in a field holding three horses. Suddenly the man with the zebra waistcoat sprang up, seized the bell cord and pulled it vigorously. It happened that at the same time the onductor came into the car for tickets. The brakes were put on, and the train slowed up. The conductor, seeing no reason for stopping, angrily gave a signal to proceed.

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 saw them run for the horses. All mounted, and as they dashed away the man with the zebra waistcoat held the sult case aloft triumphantly and

waved his plug hat. 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 eashier, which he created for me. I chose the latter, soon became cashler

and am now president of the bank. I often wish to have seen the expression on the robbers' faces when they opened the suit case and found no

A KING'S SECRET

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

of the banks who had sent for me to a soldier of his comrade in barracks in

"I am commemorating the scene we witnessed today. He was having tattooed on his right arm in india ink a picture of a guillo-

"What are you doing now?" asked the other again. "I am beginning to have tattooed un-

tine with a figure lying on it.

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. So devoted was he to the cause bills in a large pocketbook in the breast of the people of France against their pocket of my coat. Of course from the king that he did not suppose he would start I had my eye on everybody in ever be a royalist. As to his being sight, wondering if some one of them | a king, that of course was absurd. He

geant in the ranks of the army. 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 resembling those of a zebra. He was arm. Sergeant Jean Bernadotte under evidently down on his luck and had 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 people he conquered he placed under the control of kings, and these kings were usually members of his own family. Even if Napoleon did not conquer a kingdom his influence was so great that he could control its government.

The throne of Sweden became vacant, and Napoleon nominated-whom? 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."

Here 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 de-

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. Had it not been for that which clung like a serpent to his arm he might have at times forgotten that he was a French peasant of whom another commoner monarch had made a king. But the accursed spot would not out. In morning when he performed his ablutions there it was bared to his gaze. At night when he disrobed it stared at him as with the malicious eves of a serpent.

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 feli III, and the doctors sugrested that he bare his right arm to be bled. The king refused. The doctors told his majesty that if he did not permit them to bleed him they would not be responsible as to what night happen to him. The king would not yield, but bared his left arm. He was told that it would not be profesdonal to bleed him on his left arm. Nevertheless, since the king would not yield, he was bled from his left arm.

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. He alone was to possess the secret under a pledge that he would not reveal it. The physician made the pledge, promising that he would personally superintend the laying out of the body. The king did not exact a promise that the doctor would not examine the arm about which so much curlosity had been excited by the king's refusing to be bled from it. Gorgensen might consider it his duty to make the secret public, Having been confided with it and knowing that it did not affect the state, he would likely refrain from divulging it.

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.'

Many years had elapsed since that picture was made and those words written. Great had been the rise of the man who had stood looking on as one of the guard attending the execution of the king. But the doctor knew what the world knew-that the dead king had been a French peasant, a soldier in the ranks, and rumor had it that he had been present as one of the guard at the beheading of the

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 emember a rascally poet named Rich- 1917. ard Savage for one solitary line-that in which he speaks of the "tenth transmitter of a foolish face." It catchily conveys the notion of heredity and suggests the sort of wonderful family like-

ness 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 seculiarity-the little finger and the inger adjoining on each band had only one joint, the first two bones being nited. The same abnormality affected all the toes except the big ones. Tolay in a direct masculine descendant of the first curl the same extraordinary formation persists. It was transmitted o him by his father and to his father from his grandfather and has come down unchanged through nearly 500 years, passing through fourteen gener-

Defining a Wife.

ations.-London Standard.

The pretty schoolteacher had asked her class for the best original definition of "wife," and the boy in the cor

ner promptly responded, "A rib." She looked at him reproachfully and nodded to the boy with dreamy eyes. who seemed anxious to say something. "Man's guiding star and guardian an-

gel." he said in response to the ned. "A helpmeet," put in a little flaxen haired girl.

"One who soothes man in adversity," suggested a demure little girl. "One who makes a man hustle," was

the next suggestion, "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 orrowful little malden.

"Stop there," said the schoolteacher. That's the best definition." - Pitts surgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Worse Luck. Fatigued Philip-D'd the lady t'row bellia' water on youse? Wandering Walter-Worse'n dat, Phil; worse'n dat. It was soapsuds!

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 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.

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Marion Bailey, deceased.

king of France. Gorgensen divined the against said deceased, to present them, the time aforesaid, set for the settleverified as required by law, within six | ment of said estate. months after the first publication of Dated and first published August 4, this notice, to the undersigned at Med- 1917. ford, Oregon, or his attorney Newton W. Borden at his offic at 232 East Main

Street, Medford, Oregon. Dated and first published August 25,

JOHN A. PERL, Administrator of the cotate of Francis Marion Bailey, Deceaser.

Summons.

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

Della D. Walker, Julius Syffort, Harvey W. Craig, Francis Craig, Evelyn Syffort, Jaffrey E. Brees, Leroy Craig, Mihnie 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 firstpublication of this summons, to-wit: six weeks after the 4th day of August 1917, and defend the above entitled cause in the above entitle i court and answer the complaint of the plaintiff 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 l'onation 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; aud for a further decree of this Court A man should be upright, not have es in this plaintiff, and for such other at quieting title to said lands and premisand further relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable.

Service of this summons is made by Post, pursuant to an order of the Hon Post, pursuant to an order of the Hon. F. M. Calkins, Judge of the above ensisters, aunts and cousins, but only one | titled Court, made and entered July 39, 1917.

B. 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 ber 4, 1917 at the hour of 10 o'clock A. court at the court house at Jacksonville, Jackson County, State of Oregon, JACKSONVILLE POST. has been appointed as the time and place for hearing of objections thereto and for the settlement thereof.

> CHARLES NUNAN, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlemint

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON. In the matter of the Estate

of Ruth Keizur, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

Clarence A. Keizur, the administrator of the estate of Ruth Keizur, deceased, has presented to and filed in said Court his final report and petition for NOTARY PUBLIC AND CONVEYANCER distribution to the parties entitled thereto the residue of the said estate and that Monday the 10th day of Sep- JACKSONVILLE. . - OREGON tember, 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 and contest the same.

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

CLARENCE A. KEIZUR,

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 of the administration of In the County Court of the State of said estate and that Monday, the third Oregon, In and for Jackson County. day of September, 1917, at the hour of In the Matter of the Estate of Frances 10 o'clock, A. M. at the court room of said court in Jacksonville, Jackson The undersigned having been appoin- County, Oregon, has been fixed as the ted by the County Court of the State time and place for the hearing of said of Oregon for Jackson County, admin- Final Account and for the settlement istrator of the estate of Francis Mar- of said estate. All persons having ob- 16 Oregon Express 6:20 P.M. ion Bailey, deceased, and having quali- jections to said account or any part 12 Shasta Limited2:18 A.M. fied, notice is hereby given to the cred- thereof, are required to make or file itors of, and all persons having claims the same in said Court, on or before

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