

Hit Him Coming and Going.
An attorney went to a livery stable and hired a team for two or three hours and at the end of that time, in a state of absentmindedness, left the team at another livery stable, where it remained eight days. At stable No. 1 there was no worry about the team. They knew the attorney was perfectly good for the pay. They knew that if he kept the team a month the bill would be paid promptly on presentation. They presumed that he knew what he was about and concluded it was his business and not theirs. At stable No. 2 there was equal freedom from anxiety. The attorney came there, left the team and went away, saying nothing. They put the horse into a stall and "choked it down" on the office slate, knowing him to be a business man who paid cash. Discovery came at last, and the lawyer was presented with two bills, one for eight days' hire and the other for eight days' keep. He paid both bills promptly, but it cured him of being absentminded for nearly a whole month.

The Coffee Cup in Persia.
The expression "to give a cup of coffee" has in Persia a somewhat ominous significance. This is due to the fact that the coffee cup is one recognized medium for conveying poison. Some years ago the governor of Aspadana, having long been at daggers drawn with the chief of a powerful mountain tribe, determined in this way to put an end to all trouble. He professed to entertain a great degree of friendship and esteem for the chieftain and invited him to visit him at his palace. The chief unsuspectingly came, accompanied by his two young sons. For a week they were royally entertained. But at last one morning when the chief came into his host's presence he was coldly received, and an attendant soon stepped forward with a single cup of coffee in his hand, which he offered to the guest. The latter could not fail to understand that he was doomed. Preferring, however, steel to poison, he declined the cup and was thereupon, at a signal from his host, stabbed to death.

Salad of the Shoes.
Freshmen have troubles the world over. The "conscripts," as they are called at the famous Ecole Polytechnique in Paris, are subjected to an amusing initiation called the salad of shoes. The freshmen report some days before the upper class men so that they can receive their uniforms and become familiar with the routine of the school. The first morning after their tormentors return the freshmen are aroused by a demand that they throw their shoes out of the windows into the courtyard. The shoes are gathered into a heap, and, kneeling in a big circle around this, the freshmen are obliged to go through some ridiculous gymnastic movements at the command of their superiors. When the study bell rings they have but a minute to appear in the class rooms, and it is a strenuous minute around that pile of shoes.

Tennyson Disturbed.
This story is told in Robert H. Sherard's book "My Friends the French." "A granddaughter of Wordsworth, being full of admiration for the young poet who was to succeed her grandfather in laureate honors, was once taken to see Mr. Tennyson by Mrs. Taylor, the wife of another poet of some distinction. Tennyson received them very badly, showing great irritation at being disturbed, and when Mrs. Taylor rallied him on his manner he said: 'Madam, I am a poor man, and as I can't afford to buy the Times I hire it from the stationers. He charges me a penny for it, which entitles me to keep it for an hour. Why will people always select just that hour to come and call upon me? After which he flung out of the room, leaving Mrs. Tennyson to apologize for his brusquerie.'

Currency in China.
Writing from the interior of China, a traveler says: "Currency is primitive to a degree. Lump silver only is used and copper 'cash.' Coined money is not current. Even in Honan city, which is distant only two days by rail from Peking, lump silver, the same cumbersome currency that has been used for centuries, is still employed. It is cut into small pieces by hammer and chisel. Every town and village has its own weights and scales, and there is no pretense at uniformity."

The Man and the Parrot.
Exasperated Purchaser—'Didn't you guarantee that this parrot would repeat every word he heard?'
Bird Dealer—'Certainly I did.
'But he doesn't repeat a single word.'
'He repeats every word he hears, but he never hears any. He is as deaf as a post.'

Life's Percentages.
It sometimes happens that a man plays an errorless game because he accepts mighty few chances. The man in the right garden is pretty sure to have a better fielding record than the shortstop.—Aitchison Globe.

Outdones.
'He doted on Alice and would have married her but for her mother.'
'Ah! Her mother—'
'Yes; her mother was still more attractive.'

Missed Fire.
Putton-Ayres—I am cavalier to the general, you know. Miss Innocent—Oh, are you really? My brother is in the military too.—Boston Transcript.

Grief is crowned with consolation.—Shakespeare.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the matter of the Estate of Emery LaHue, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern: That Sarah LaHue has been appointed administratrix of the estate of Emery LaHue, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with proper vouchers as required by law, to me at the law offices of Peterson & Wilson, at Athena, Oregon, or at Pendleton, Oregon, within six months from date hereof.

Dated this the 12th day of August A. D. 1910.
Sarah La Hue, Administratrix,
Peterson & Wilson, Attorneys.

SUMMONS.
In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
Flora Stover, Plaintiff
vs.
Edward C. Stover Defendant

To Edward C. Stover, the above-named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit within forty-two days from the date of the first publication of this summons upon you. Defendant will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer or plead within said time, plaintiff, for want thereof will apply to the court for a decree of divorce, a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony now existing between you and the plaintiff; and the plaintiff will ask the court to award the plaintiff the care and custody of plaintiff's and defendant's minor child, and for \$15.00 per month permanently, as alimony.

This summons is published pursuant to a certain order made and entered in the above entitled Court at Pendleton, Oregon, on the 14th day of July, 1910, the first publication is to be on July 15, 1910, the last on August 26, 1910.

Homer I. Watts,
Atty. for Plaintiff.

Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract.
(Publisher.)

PUBLIC LAND SALE.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
U. S. Land Office at LaGrande, Ore.,
July 7th, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under provisions of Act of Congress approved June 27, 1906 (34 Stats., 517), we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at 10 o'clock a. m. on the 1st day of September, 1910, at this office, the following-described land:
Lots 3 and 4, Sec. 5, T. 4 N., R. 35 E. W. M., Serial No. 07115.
Any persons claiming adversely the above-described land are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the time designated for sale.
F. C. Bramwell, Register,
Colon R. Eberhard, Receiver.

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