

## Letter From Doug.

The State Hospital, Salem, Oregon,  
Nov. 12, 1916.  
Dear friend, L. W. Charles:  
I thought I would write you a few lines. My health is lots better since I came here. How is Scio getting along since I left? I would like to see all of the people. How do you like it because Hughes got beat. I am sorry he is beat. How would you like to see me? When I come home I will show the people I am a better man. I work most all the time here. I am sorry for what I did; they have made a better man of me. I like the place pretty well, but would rather be home. I have been making kraut the last week. Newt Morrison wrote to me that he would vouch for me if I was put on parole, and if I did not behave to send me back here. I will behave myself. He thought the people would vouch for me there. There is a show every Monday night. How is the horse? I like everybody in Scio and the country. I think it right for the people to forgive me. Tell White I am sorry I could not haul the rest of his wood and to forgive me. I would like to be there and work for the people. Publish this letter in the paper if you wish. Please answer this letter. Write or put it in the paper.  
S. A. D. Hamilton

### Report of the Condition of THE SCIO STATE BANK

At Scio in the State of Oregon, at the close of business Nov. 17, 1916

| RESOURCES                                       |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Loans and discounts                             | \$50,820.23 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured               | 325.76      |
| Bonds and warrants                              | 8,061.77    |
| Banking house                                   | 3,000.00    |
| Furniture and fixtures                          | 1,000.00    |
| Cash and due from approved reserve banks        | 79,490.77   |
| Checks and other cash items                     | 59.55       |
| Total                                           | 142,758.08  |
| LIABILITIES                                     |             |
| Capital stock paid in                           | \$10,000.00 |
| Surplus fund                                    | 8,500.00    |
| Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid | 1,335.13    |
| Individual deposits subject to check            | 110,294.44  |
| Demand certificates of deposit                  | 7,959.51    |
| Time and savings deposits                       | 4,669.00    |
| Total                                           | 142,758.08  |

State of Oregon, )  
County of Linn ) ss

I, E. D. Myers, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. D. MYERS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of Nov., 1916.

R. Shelton Notary Public

Correct attest:  
W. A. Ewing, A. E. Randall, Directors.

## Farmers!

We are in the market for your fat hogs at seventy-five cents per hundredweight below Portland markets. This is a condition the farmers in Scio vicinity have wanted for some time. Heretofore we have been buying at \$1.00 per cwt under Portland market, and we now ask the support of the farmers to make it a paying proposition.

For the last two weeks we have been paying 9 cents at West Scio and have got good stuff, which is necessary to maintain this margin. All we ask is for the farmers to furnish their hogs and we will do the rest by giving you good square weights and the price.

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## THE CURIOUS SEA HORSE.

It Resembles a Chess Knight Tailed With a Coiled Worm.

The interesting little fish known as the sea horse or hippocampus, which has attracted much attention on account of its curious form and no less peculiar habits from time immemorial, is discussed by Dr. Charles R. Eastman of the American Museum of Natural History in one of the Smithsonian reports.

Occurring plentifully in the Mediterranean, the typical species was well known to the ancients, and, owing to the wide distribution of the remaining thirty odd species composing the genus, sea horses have now become familiar objects in most large aquariums of the world. They appear to be a weird combination of a horse's head and a body or tail of a caterpillar. It has been said that if a coiled worm were attached to the base of a chess knight the sea horse would be well imitated.

The most frequent position assumed is a state of rest, with the tail wound around the stem of a plant or other substance, and the body carried nearly or quite erect, but notwithstanding the apparent rigidity of its cuirass like body armor, almost every other attitude consistent with such a form can be assumed. The body can be thrown outward or downward at various angles, the tail being wound around a plant in a double coil. Once in awhile one eye may roll toward the observer, while the other may be passive or look backward or even in the opposite direction. The little fish can move its eyes independently of each other and in entirely different ways. A comical effect is produced by the manner in which these fishes peer at some objects, reminding one of a very nearsighted person.

Releasing itself from its support, it can progress slowly, still in a vertical position, its tail curved inward, its dorsal fin rapidly undulating, reminding one of a screw propeller, and with its pectoral fins vibrating in harmony.

Incurved as it is in an almost inflexible coat of mail, progression cannot be effected by lateral flexion of the body, as in ordinary fishes, and with the flexion in a vertical direction progress is limited.

With such limited powers of progression, a nice adjustment of organs is necessary. One method is said to use an air bladder comparatively large and always distended by a quantity of gas so exactly in harmony with the specific gravity of the body that this entire body is a hydrostatic apparatus of extreme sensibility. A proof of this is that if a single bubble of gas no larger than the head of a very small pin be extracted the fish immediately loses its equilibrium and sinks to the bottom, on which it must crawl until the wound has been cicatrized and a new supply of gas secreted by the internal membrane of the bladder.

### Two Brusque Notes.

When Andrew Millar, the publisher of Dr. Johnson's dictionary, received the last proof sheet from Dr. Johnson he wrote him this brusque note: "Andrew Millar sends his compliments to Mr. Samuel Johnson, with the money for the last sheet of the copy of the dictionary, and thanks God he has done with him." To this the doctor replied, "Samuel Johnson returns his compliments to Mr. Andrew Millar and is very glad to find, as he does by this note, that Andrew Millar has the grace to thank God for anything."

### His Gentle Rebuke.

Fenimore Cooper gave a friend a copy of his last work, inscribing on the flyleaf the words:

"To John Blank, with the author's affection and esteem."

A few months later Cooper came upon this same book at a second-hand dealer's. He bought it in and sent it back to his friend again with a second inscription:

"This volume, purchased at a second-hand shop, is re-presented to John Blank, with renewed affection and reiterated expressions of esteem."

Madagascar possesses the only oxen cavalry regiment in the world. The climate is so unhealthy for horses that some suitable substitute had to be found. The oxen have been trained to maneuver with surprising skill and lack nothing of the qualities of the horse except if speed.—Exchange.

## NOTICE OF ROAD MEETING

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, resident taxpayers of Road District No. 25 of Linn County, Oregon being more than ten per cent of the taxpayers of said road district, that a meeting of the taxpayers of said road district will be held at Jordan Store in said road district on Tuesday, the 28th day of November, 1916, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for the purpose of levying such an additional tax on all the taxable property in said road district as may be deemed advisable by the majority of such taxpayers at such meeting to improve the roads of said road district.

John Bender, J. C. Huber, R. C. Pennington, C. Schneider, E. M. Kimball, Earl D. Jaynes, H. H. Phillips, C. M. Williamson, J. H. Wortman, W. H. Woodard, E. Phillips, Fred Grimes, C. A. Silbernagel, W. H. Grimes, G. M. Wirth, Jacob Weidman, E. J. Weidman, Augustine A. Bender, Theresa Bender, John Silbernagel.

## NOTICE OF ROAD MEETING

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, resident taxpayers of Road District No. 15, of Linn County, Oregon, being more than ten per cent of the taxpayers of said road district, that a meeting of the taxpayers of said road district will be held at Scio City Hall in Scio, Oregon in said road district on Saturday, the 25th day of November, 1916, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for the purpose of levying such an additional tax on all the taxable property in said road district as may be deemed advisable by the majority of such taxpayers at such meeting to improve the roads of said road district.

Roe Shelton, H. A. Stepanek, J. S. Sticha, E. C. Wesely, Roy McDonald, O. H. Cyrus, J. F. Leffler, G. E. Rodgers, Dean Morris, Chas. Wesely, J. F. Oupor, F. T. Thayer, P. H. MacDonald, H. Shope, C. Carson, Roy V. Shelton, T. L. Dugger, C. N. Long, T. P. Lukenbach, E. C. Peery, J. L. Calavan, A. G. Prill, Rolla Morris, C. C. Wade, T. A. Richardson.

## NOTICE OF ROAD MEETING

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, resident taxpayers of Road District No. 16 of Linn County, Oregon being more than ten per cent of the taxpayers of said road district, that a meeting of the taxpayers of said road district will be held at the I. O. O. F. hall, Scio, Oregon in said road district on Saturday, the 25th day of November, 1916, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for the purpose of levying such an additional tax on all the taxable property in said road district as may be deemed advisable by the majority of such taxpayers at such meeting to improve the roads of said road district.

W. E. Arnold, F. Pruitt, N. I. Morrison, J. A. Craft, W. Richardson, W. J. Chromy, Joe Boyanovsky, A. R. McDonald, W. F. Sommer, W. H. Young, Wm. Dobrkovsky, John Dobrkovsky, J. H. Poindexter, B. Arnold, Thos. Smail, W. O. Filipot, R. C. Shelton, Wm. J. Beran, O. Young, A. L. Ellwood, Joseph Liska, Ivan Miller, Ant. Karnos, John F. Kukacka, John T. Smelser, Wint Young, J. F. Rockwell, W. T. Lee, Jos. R. Young, Louis Borovicka, A. F. Kraynik.

Strayed—Black Berkshire sow from my place. Reward.—J. F. Kukacka. 18t3

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