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MONEY CHANGERS.

They Must Keep Posted on European Coins and Counterfeits.

"I never realized until today," said a man who had just returned from Europe, "what an undertaking it is to be a money changer."

"I came back with about \$20 in foreign money, principally French and Italian. This I took to a money changer's to cash in."

"He looked over the coins rapidly, throwing them into little piles and putting down notes on a slip of paper. When he had cleared up the lot he said I had \$10.25 coming to me."

"At first I thought he was doing me, but he was not. He showed me a dozen or so Italian coins that had been counterfeited and were worth about 40 cents on the dollar. There was a nice little pile of counterfeits that were not worth a cent and altogether only about a third of the coins that I brought home were worth their full value."

"The only consolation I had was that I obtained my share in the insurance business and not in the exchange business for my poor little brain and the things that it knows have to remember."

The man with the coins did not exaggerate. There are thousands of different coins floating about that a money changer has to know. He has to keep in mind every demonetized coin, and within the last hundred years

In addition to that, there are counterfeits. The counterfeiters bring over heaps of bad coins. Many of them buy up counterfeiters cheap, with the hope of exchanging them at Ellis Island.

Then there are the coins of the South American countries. They are worse than those of the European countries. Brazil, for instance, has a scheme all its own. Certain notes are good for ten years. After that time for every year they lose 10 per cent of their face value until the whole value is used up and they are worth only the paper they are printed on.

As my man expressed it, you have to know the history of the world to be a money changer. A peculiar part of the business is the shipment of coins back to the countries whence they came. Often during the rush season one firm sends back a million coins, while it is estimated that in the course of a year \$10,000,000 in foreign money is reshipped to Europe and a million to the rest of the world.

Money changing is a business just like any other. They do not exchange money; they buy it, and when you go there with foreign coins they buy them from you at a stated price. When you go there to get foreign coins you buy them from them at a certain price just as you buy eggs and cigars.—New York Sun.

Imported From Paris.

The woman was calling on her friend who lives in East Thirty-fourth street. It was a ground floor flat. Every little while she would raise her right hand and cross herself. It was on Sunday afternoon.

"What in the world are you doing that for?" asked her friend after she had done it about seven times.

"Funeral processions," explained her friend, "going down the street."

"Are you a Catholic?" asked her friend. "I never knew that."

"No," explained the woman further. "I learned in Paris to cross myself when a funeral procession passed. Everybody does it there. I don't know why unless it is because they haven't any religion."—New York Press.

Says Irish Potatoes Are Injurious.

"The Irish potato will breed malaria in one's system and will injure digestion to a serious extent," said Charles T. Wilburn of Pittsburg. "For years I suffered from attacks of malaria, in fact, I was in bed for a long time. I visited some of the best physicians in my country. They told me many things. Finally one suggested that I stop eating Irish potatoes in any form. Before then I had always eaten them, for they were my favorite vegetable. I stopped partaking of them, however, and in a little while I was getting better. In six months I was almost well, and today I am as healthy as anybody. I never eat Irish potatoes any more and I think them most injurious."—Pittsburg Post.

SHORT STORIES.

Ten men to one woman carry life insurance.

A Minnesota scientist declares that we are to die of thirst.

The report of a cannon has been heard as far away as 146 miles.

Brazil will celebrate in 1908 the centenary of the opening of Brazilian waters to foreign trade.

The old meeting house in Rockingham, Vt., is the only instance of old colonial church architecture of its period now remaining in the state. It was built by the township in 1787.

More persons crossed the Atlantic ocean from this side during the first six months of the present year than during any other similar period. There were 31,000 steerage passengers in that time.

The rededication of the old brick boot webbing mill in North Monmouth, Me., was celebrated recently by a dance. The grand march was led by George S. Fairbanks, aged ninety-two, who attended a dance in this same mill fifty-eight years ago.

HOME NOTES.

A teaspoonful of pulverized alum mixed with the common stove polish will give a wonderful polish.

Use a clothespin to screw a small hook into hard wood. It will make it much easier than if the fingers alone are used.

If the upper edge of the saucepan is well buttered you will find that chocolate, milk, cocoa or anything of the kind will not boil over.

When your washboard becomes old cut up the zinc, and on a day when you have a good fire put it in the stove, throw back all the dampers, and it will clean out all the soot.

If when doing the family washing it is a rainy day, rinse and wring clothes as usual, shake them out and leave in basket, putting tubs and everything away. Then when the sun comes out the clothes are all ready for the line.

Animal Life.

The kangaroo readily leaps from sixty to seventy feet. The greatest recorded leap of a horse is thirty-seven feet.

The average number of eggs produced by a hen is 3,500,000, but a large cod will have as many as 9,000,000.

In four years a pair of rabbits could secure a progeny of nearly 1,500,000. A doe rabbit produces as many as seven families in a year.

Some animals are entirely voiceless. Among these are the giraffe, armadillo and porcupine. In most serpents the vocal cords are completely absent.

Great Scheme.

Mrs. Simpson in her "Many Memories of Many People" says of Archbishop Whately: He was utterly regardless of appearance. If he came to us without a servant and perceived a hole in his black stocking he would put a piece of sticking plaster on the corresponding part of his leg to conceal the defect.

Any Old Kind Would Do.



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[Serial 250121] 1807 Great Land
Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, The Dalles, Ore
May 23rd 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Edith Spencer, one of the heirs and for the heirs of Benjamin F. Vaughan deceased of Heppner, Oregon who, on December 25th, 1902 made Homestead entry, 12156, for Lot 1 1/2, 2, 3, 4, NE 1/4, Sec. 34 and SW 1/4, Section 13 T2P 1 E, Range 21 East Willamette Meridian has filed notice of intention to make Final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before the County Clerk at his office in Heppner, Oregon, on the 8th day of July, 1909. Claimant names as witnesses: F. Burroughs, of Ione, Volney Day, C. C. Rhea and Ed. Ball, of Heppner, Oregon.
C. W. Moore, Register.

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