

## BEST BANKNOTES.

They Are Produced by American Talent and Methods.

HARDEST TO COUNTERFEIT.

From the Time of Paul Revere, the First American Banknote Artist, Ours Have Been More Difficult to Imitate Than Those of the Old World.

To say that Americans make the best banknotes in the world may sound at first rather boastful, and yet any history of the art and industry of note engraving which failed to record that fact would be incomplete. Paul Revere was the first American banknote artist, and from the time of the chartering of the Bank of North America under the direction of Robert Morris, in 1781, up to the present American engravers have excelled not only in the artistic quality of their designs, but in their provisions against counterfeiting.

Marco Polo found banknotes in China ages ago, printed on paper made from the bark of the mulberry tree. One of the notes upon which the great Venetian traveler himself may have gazed is on an exhibition at this day in the office of an American company. It is one of a series issued by the Ming dynasty about 1399 A. D.—current anywhere under heaven—and seems to have been printed from wooden blocks on a sheet of paper nine by thirteen inches, a bigger surface than any man could cover with both hands outstretched. It is good for "one string of cash." The provision against forgery is simple to the point of severity: "Counterfeiters hereof will be executed. Persons giving information of counterfeiters will be rewarded with taels 250 and in addition will receive the property belonging to the criminal."

Another great government has placed much dependence upon death as a deterrent to imitators of its promises to pay. When Jacob Perkins of Newburyport, Mass., invented the method of transferring designs from hardened steel plates to steel cylinders and retransferring to flat plates, thus enabling the engraver to devote the time necessary to accomplish his best work in the original and reproduce it at will, the new process aroused international interest. Mr. Perkins and his associates went to London in 1819 at the instance of the British minister at Washington to help the Bank of England to issue notes not easily counterfeited. But the conservative old bank refused to adopt the new method, preferring, as one of the Americans said, to rely upon the hangman rather than the engraver. Nevertheless the English began in time to follow American methods after the geometric lathe had been invented by Asa Spencer of New London, Conn., and improved by Cyrus Durand.

The governments of continental Europe depend exclusively upon color work to protect their paper currency, and several of the large banks of issue have civil engineers in charge of their bureau of engraving and printing, though what connection there may be between engineering and engraving is a mystery. Many Italian banknotes are easy to counterfeit. The Bank of Spain has of late abandoned its own plant because its notes were imitated so successfully that counterfeiters were accepted by the bank without question. A private concern now does the work. The Bank of Greece now uses the American method, having had sad experiences with notes of Austrian, German and English fashioning.

A myth that probably will never die tells us that the notes of the Bank of England cannot be counterfeited. As a matter of fact, they can be imitated readily enough, for little attempt is made to protect the notes beyond the use of a watermark paper. The watermark can be easily copied.

One practical safeguard of great effectiveness is the custom of the Bank of England to cancel every note that is returned to the bank and issue another in its place. This and the practice of keeping a record of the numbers of all bank notes used in every business establishment keep alive a keen sense of responsibility which adds to security. The custom of circulating soiled banknotes, of course, gives the counterfeiter his best opportunity. Forgery is much more readily detected in a crisp, stiff, new bill than in a rumpled and dirty one.

The American style of banknote has become the standard in the countries of Central and South America. The experience of the Brazilian government led the way in this after various appointments. First the much vaunted Austrian system was tried, the notes being engraved and printed in England under that system. They proved a complete failure. Counterfeiters flourished. The Brazilians tried banknotes made in France, and these were promptly and extensively imitated as soon as the counterfeiters could get their plates and paper ready. Brazil tried German and English establishments, but still without securing protection to the banknote circulation, and at last turned to the United States and found a type of bills practically impossible to counterfeit. So it is no boast, but a mere record of fact, to state that Americans make the best banknotes in the world.—Detroit News.

## A GAME OF BRIDGE.

John W. Gates Sprung a Surprise on His Young Friend.

John W. Gates' last office was in the Trinity building. He called his firm Charles G. Gates & Co. Others termed it "the house of the twelve apostles," as a dozen partners were in it. Gates was considered a good bridge whist player. Often after 5 p. m. bridge was played in the office. One day there were only three to play. A young man of good family, but not wealthy, came in.

"Sit down," said Gates agreeably. "I hate to play with a dummy." "How much a point do you play?" asked the newcomer. "Fifty," said Gates. "I can't afford it," was the rejoinder. "Twenty-five is a big game for me." "Well, make up the rubber," said Gates disappointedly. "We'll play for twenty-five."

The young man played well, had luck and won. "We have a sort of clearing house here," said Gates when the game ended. "I'll send you your check in the morning."

The young man got a check for \$13,000. Astounded, he took it to the signer. "What does this mean?" he asked. "I circulated that I won \$130. We were playing for 25 cents a point, weren't we?"

"We were playing for \$25 a point," returned Gates.

"Wha-at! Why, if I'd lost I couldn't have paid."

"If you hadn't paid we'd have run you out of the city," said Gates coldly. "But you won. Cash that check." It was cashed.—New York Tribune.

## YOUR MORNING MAIL.

It May Be Dangerous to Open It at the Breakfast Table.

Did you ever hear that it is dangerous to open your morning mail at the breakfast table? According to a Berlin scientist, Professor Kron, and the London Lancet, it is dangerous—very. Professor Kron has succeeded in tracing several cases of contagion to the old custom of waiting until you sit down at the breakfast table before opening and going through your morning mail. He calls attention to the fact that the average man or woman goes down to breakfast with hands and face scrupulously clean, teeth scrubbed and throat gargled. In that condition he is prepared to eat without danger of swallowing more disease germs than may have possibly escaped the watchful attentions of the cook.

But instead of doing that he handles letters and papers which have passed through many hands before reaching his own. Between bites he opens envelopes and wrappers and in doing so unthinkingly paves the way for the absorption of all kinds of germs which may or may not do him a great deal of harm.

It has long been the custom in many well regulated households where the breakfast hour is fixed somewhat late and where the mail carrier gets around before breakfast is served to place each person's morning letters by his or her plate in the dining room. This, says the Lancet, is a custom which should be abolished at once. Letters should be opened and read either before or after breakfast, but never at the table during the handling of food.

**To Restore Leather Bindings.**  
To restore the leather bindings of books wash them first very lightly and carefully with clean warm water in which a tiny piece of soda has been dissolved, in order to free the leather from grease; then wash with clear water to remove the soda and dry. Dissolve a bit of gum arabic the size of a small bean in a teaspoonful of water and beat it up with a teaspoonful of the white of an egg. With a bit of sponge go lightly over the leather with this glair and let it dry. Should the glair froth up on the leather, as it is very likely to do if there is much tool work on the book, dab it until it subsides with the palm of the hand or with the sponge squeezed as dry as possible.

**Her Dear Husband.**  
"Why," exclaimed a newly married woman to a bunch of friends, "for three months after our marriage my dear husband made me bake hot biscuits for him every meal."  
"And yet your husband is a strong, healthy looking fellow," answered her friend, in astonishment. "Doctors say that such a die is terrible, and—"  
"Oh, yes, this husband is healthy. I was referring to my first husband!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**She Understood.**  
Mr. Misfit—It's no use trying to explain things to a woman. She can't understand scientific terms. No; there is—  
Mrs. Misfit—Oh, yes, I can, Charles! Heredity is what a man blames his father and mother for, and environment is what he blames his wife and children for.—Exchange.

**The Logical Lunatic.**  
A lunatic was in the habit of catching imaginary flies. When asked to explain her strange action she pointed under her cloak and replied, "The flies are to feed this mongoose."  
"But there is no mongoose."  
"Well, there are no flies."

**Flattery.**  
"Odd thing about flattery."  
"What?"  
"It makes everybody sick except those who swallow it."—Exchange.

So much is a man worth as he esteems himself.—Rabelais.

## Boulder Creek.

Mrs. Elsie Kinnaman and little daughter, Reta, came home Saturday evening from Tillamook, where they had been visiting Mrs. Kinnaman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dye for a few days.

E. P. Mills made a trip to Tillamook last week for a load of provisions. He reports his new house to be nearing completion.

Carl Jensen visited relatives down the river last Friday and Saturday. Rev. H. A. Walter and family and Mrs. N. Smith and Miss Fannie spent a few days last week at the beach and visiting Mrs. Smith's daughter, Mrs. Earl Ayer, at Woods.

Little Janie Johnson is seriously ill at the present writing. Drs. Smith and Boals have been in attendance and the latest report names the trouble to be brain fever, and a very dangerous case.

Mr. Antoine Borba has been spending a few days with his brother, John Borba, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Chopard, Norman and Neva, returned last Saturday from South Prairie, where they had been visiting. Mrs. Chopard's brother, L. E. Gitchell and her cousins Mrs. H. P. Coghlan and Mrs. Chas. McDivitt. Master Norman visited his cousin, Cranston Goddard for several days before his parents went out.

The many friends of M. T. Soares were much pleased to read his interesting letter in the Headlight a few weeks ago, and to know that though "the ocean rolls between," his heart is still true to the land of his adoption, and that he is longing to see the "flag of the free" once more floating above his head.

H. P. Coghlan hauled about 2800 lbs. of cascara bark to Tillamook last Friday for H. A. Chopard, who shipped it to San Francisco the first of the week on the steamer Golden Gate.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Margarell are now occupying their beautiful new home, which was completed a short time ago by L. D. Krake and sons who also have built a new woodshed for Mr. M., and helped to install a fine water system.

J. J. Hollett, our mail-man, made a trip to the county seat last the week.

Wedding bells herald the marriage of Louis Krake, of this neighborhood and Miss Sarah Gray, of Blaine, which occurred at the home of Mrs. Dee Moon, the bride's sister, on Wednesday, Sept. 13th. The happy couple are spending their honeymoon quietly with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Gray, of Blaine, and Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Krake. Rev. H. A. Walter, F.M. pastor here, performed the ceremony, which was only witnessed by a few close friends and relatives. Best wishes of all their friends go with them.

George and Henry Smith are in from Salem for a few days visit with their mother and sister.

Carl Jensen is milking for his grandfather, and will attend school at Hebo for a while, we are told.

Miss Fannie Smith was out calling in this neighborhood last Monday.

H. L. Jensen went to Tillamook, Monday and returned Tuesday.

## Notice.

Beginning with the 1st of September, the following prices will be charged by the physicians of Tillamook.

Confinement, \$20 and mileage (normal case).

City visit, \$2.00.

Visit out of town, \$2.50.

Visit out of town, three miles, \$3.00; one dollar for each mile over three miles as usual.

R. T. BOALS,  
I. M. SMITH,  
S. M. KERRON.

## Patronize Home Industry.

Patronize Home Industry! And help boost the home products! James O. Hutchings has started a cigar manufacturing establishment in this city, and he turns out a superior quality of home made cigars. He is located near Vierick's Bakery. Give him a trial. He asks for a share of the patronage on account of being a home product. \*

## Hunting Notice.

The undersigned has leased the hunting on Mark Harrison's place south east of town. Anyone hunting thereon will be prosecuted.

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ERWIN HARRISON,  
ROY MAPES,  
E. N. CRUBSON,  
N. H. KUPER,  
V. E. HOVEN,  
JOHN HATHAWAY.

## Is the World Growing Better?

Many things go to prove that it is. The way thousands are trying to help others is proof. Among them is Mrs. W. W. Gould, of Pittsfield, N. H. Finding good health by taking Electric Bitters, she now advises other sufferers, everywhere, to take them. "For years I suffered with stomach and kidney trouble," she writes. "Every medicine I used failed till I took Electric Bitters. But this great remedy helped me wonderfully." They'll help any woman. They're the best tonic and finest liver and kidney remedy that's made. Try them. You'll see. 50c at Chas. I. Clough's.

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