

NAME

penny-reconcile - mark cleared postings as reconciled

SYNOPSIS

penny-reconcile [options] FILE...

DESCRIPTION

Finds all postings in the input ledger files whose flag is exactly one letter: the letter *C*. Changes those flags to the letter *R* and prints the resulting ledger to standard output.

This is useful when reconciling a financial institution account: you may first mark postings in your ledger that match a posting on your bank statement with a *C* flag. Because only postings from the current statement will be marked with a *C* flag, it is easier to use **penny**(1) to list only the postings that you have just cleared. Then, after ensuring that the statement is properly reconciled, **penny-reconcile** will automatically mark all the posts reconciled.

If no *FILE*, or *FILE* is -, read standard input.

OPTIONS

--output *FILENAME*, **-o** *FILENAME*

send output to *FILENAME* instead of standard output. You can use multiple **--output** options; to explicitly print to standard output, use **--output -**.

VERSUS sed(1) OR YOUR TEXT EDITOR

You could do this with **sed**(1) or your text editor. Unlike those programs, **penny-reconcile** knows the structure of a ledger file. So **penny-reconcile** will not, for example, change the text *[C]* to *[R]* where the *[C]* appears within a comment, while a naive **sed**(1) script would do so. This would happen only rarely though, so you might be just fine using a query-replace function in your text editor.

Also, **penny-reconcile** will tidy up your ledger file--that is, it might rearrange or delete the non-significant whitespace within a transaction and posting, similar to **penny-reprint**(1). This might be good or bad. **sed**(1) or your text editor, on the other hand, will not do this.

EXIT STATUS

0 if everything went fine; some other value if something went wrong (e.g. a ledger file could not be parsed.)

BUGS

Please report bugs in the program or documentation to Omari Norman. <omari@smileystation.com>

SEE ALSO

penny-suite(7)