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**How the Name "Turncoat" Started.**  
The epithet "turncoat" took its rise from one of the first dukes of Savoy, whose dominions lying open to the incursions of the two contending houses of Spain and France he was obliged to temporize and fall in with that power most likely to distress him. He frequently obliged to change his colors he humorously got a coat made was blue on one side and white on the other and might be worn either side out. While in the Spanish interest he wore the blue side out, and the white side was the badge for the French; hence he was called Emmanuel, surnamed the Turncoat, by way of distinguishing him from other princes of the same name.

**The Walking Steeple.**  
At Holywell church, in Wales, an old bell is kept which was used in a novel way to call people to worship. The position of the church causing any bell rung there to be inaudible in some parts of the town, a peripatetic ringer used to be employed, whose performances were thus described: "A leather strap is suspended round his neck, and a large and heavy bell attached to it, which rests upon a cushion buckled over his knee. Thus accoutered, he traverses the town, jingling his bell, to the surprise of those who are unacquainted with the custom. 'The walking steeple,' he was called by the townspeople."

**Origin of a Postal Custom.**  
The steamship Oregon was lost off Fire Island on March 14, 1886. She was rammed by a coastwise schooner, remaining afloat for half an hour, a time which made it possible to save every person aboard. When her mail was fished up and delivered the pieces were stamped with a statement that they had been in the wreck, the first instance of a practice which is now employed by direction of the international postal union. The credit for this simple device is believed to be due to Edward M. Morgan, at that time in a subordinate position in the New York postoffice, who foresaw that a few minutes' work with a rubber stamp would forestall an infundible of complaint.—New York Sun.

**Song of the Brown Thrasher.**  
When the brown thrasher starts to sing one might just as well listen, as he will be heard, and every other bird might just as well keep still, as nothing else can be heard. He dominates the entire vicinity. He is on the stage in the middle of the spotlight. His performance is dramatic. It is comic opera at its best. The brown thrasher is more commonly known, probably, as the brown thrush or sometimes as the cinnamon thrush, but as the bird does not belong to the thrush family he should be given his proper name. He is a cousin of the catbird and the mockingbird.—Ohio State Journal.

**For a Weak Stomach.**  
As a general rule all you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets. Adv.  
Bernard Hass of Welser was an Ontario visitor on Monday.

**TAKEN UP—**A buckskin cow, weight about 1000 pounds, about six years old, now dry, came to my place a half mile east of Ontario on December 3 and after having been driven off, returned and broke into corral with stock. Owner may have same by paying for this advertising and cost of damages and keep.  
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**Desperate.**  
Mr. Smith (making a purchase for Mrs. Smith, who has instructed him to get her a pair of three and a half shoes)—Let me see a pair of ladies' 5's, wide.  
Shopman (who knows the Smiths)—Why, Mr. Smith, your wife always orders 3's!  
Mr. Smith—My man, I am not going to suffer the tortures of the infernal regions every morning watching that woman trying to get a bushel of feet into a peck of shoes. I am going to take her a pair that will fit her.—London Answers.

**Thought Drinking Only a Fashion.**  
Charles Booth, the economist, who regarded drink as one of the most prolific causes of pauperism, thought the drinking habit was principally a matter of fashion, rapidly passing away among the upper classes, while among the middle classes it was preserved as a "social necessity," men treating each other to drinks they would perhaps sooner be without. Among the poor men drunk to excess from a perverted pride. "The whole thing," he declared, "is so baseless that it is conceivable it might very rapidly come to an end. The cure lies, I think, not so much in a total abstinence propaganda, though that is indirectly useful, as in the raising of the whole standard of life."

**Wise Tommie.**  
"What are you looking for in the dictionary, Tommie?" asked the parsimonious aunt, finding her little nephew in her house.  
"I'm looking for pie, auntie," replied the boy.  
"Looking for pie in the dictionary, Tommie?"  
"Yes'm. Somebody told me it was the only place in your house it ever could be found."—Yonkers Statesman.

**A Waiting Game.**  
"By the way, old man, how is your suit with Miss Roxley progressing?"  
"Slowly. I'm playing a waiting game just now."  
"A waiting game?"  
"Yes; I'm waiting for her to change her mind."—Boston Transcript.

**Its Location.**  
Bladys Roxton—And the duke is so brave, papa! Why, he declares he intends to become an aviator. Papa—H'm! He does, eh? Wants to visit his castle, I suppose?—Puck.

**Watson and Ireland.**  
Sir William Watson has earned the right to be termed Ireland's poetical champion, although he was born in Yorkshire and is of Yorkshire ancestry on both sides. Home rulers say that there is no more terse description of the position of Erin than that contained in the famous lines of his "Ode on the Day of the Coronation of King Edward VII.":  
\* \* \* The lovely and the busy bride  
Whom we have wooed but have never won.  
His first volume of poems was published at his father's expense. Ten years later not twenty copies had been sold. Six years after the publication of his second volume he had gained no success. Today he is regarded as our greatest living poet.—London Standard.

**HORSES! HORSES!!**  
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**An Historic Battle.**  
The great battle of Crecy was fought on Aug. 24, in 1344. It was here that Edward the Black Prince gained honor. The blind king of the Bohemians was slain and the ornaments on his sword were adopted as the coat of arms of the princes of Wales, the coat of arms being three ostrich feathers with the words "Ich Dien." It was at this battle also that cannon were used for the first time in history.

**He Liked Candor.**  
"Ladies and Gentlemen—it has never been my lot to face a more empty headed, silly looking bunch of people, and I hope I will never be looked for this town again. It is not a pleasure to be here, and 99 per cent of you won't be able to understand what I am talking about. We shall now proceed with the lecture. My subject is, 'Truth—Candor—Know Thyself.'"—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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