

## STORIES OF WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE

Buckingham Palace Flunkey Didn't Recognize Prime Minister.

As Prime Minister Baldwin is a man with a sense of humor, he has found only diversion in the fact that he recently was shown out of a side entrance of Buckingham Palace by an attendant who did not recognize him. He also was halted by a House of Lords attaché this week-end, and asked if he were a member of the Cabinet.

The first occasion was at the royal court. After the presentation of the Prime Minister retired to another part of the room, though his official position was behind the King and Queen on the dais. When the procession formed to follow the Sovereigns from the throne room the Prime Minister waited until the court dignitaries and members of the diplomatic corps had passed and then modestly started to follow. An attendant, however, ignorant of the identity of the King's first Minister, said he could not join the procession and insisted upon showing him out by a side door. Mr. Baldwin liked the joke so much that he did not protest.

When the Prime Minister attempted to make his way to the place in Westminster Hall reserved for Ministers, on the occasion of its reopening by the King after a protracted period of renovation, a House of Lords attendant touched him on the arm and inquired if he were a member of the Cabinet.

Mr. Baldwin quietly answered that he was the Prime Minister and the attendant hurriedly walked away in dismay.

### The Tireless "Tiger"

M. Georges Clemenceau, the veteran French statesman, is exciting a great deal of comment in the French capital because of his remarkable energy. He is up at seven o'clock each morning and begins his round of visits at eight o'clock. He has an hour's gymnastic lessons regularly every morning, and generally has very little time to spare.

However, one of his favorite pastimes is telling good stories, and the following is the latest gem of a repertoire that must contain thousands upon thousands of amusing anecdotes.

This story concerns, strange as it may seem himself, it must be remembered that M. Clemenceau is very modest and very rarely tells a story about himself, although tales about him are legion.

The grand old Frenchman was standing outside his residence one morning about eight o'clock, when a photographer from a morning newspaper sidled up to him, and asked:

"Excuse me, but has Clemenceau come out yet? I want to take his picture."

"Clemenceau, Clemenceau!" said the former premier thoughtfully. "I seem to know the name, but who is he? Who is he?"

I don't know the end of this delightful story, but it seems extremely unlikely that Clemenceau gave the game away and let the photographer take his picture. It is one of the boasts of the French statesman that he will never have his photograph taken for newspaper purposes for the next ten or twenty years. After that time, of course, he may relent.

### Timber.

Stroke of the axe! The trunk shivers and gapes,  
Stroke on stroke! The chips fly,  
"Oh year upon year upon year I grow,  
since I woke in the seed."

Stroke on stroke! Raw wounded wood and the heart laid bare,  
"Oh sun and wind and rain, Oh leafing and the fall of leaves,  
Oh flower, love and love's fruit,"  
Strong bite of the axe! Staggering, crying timber.

Down!  
And the little branches and the twigs are scattered on the ground.  
And the woodman stands measuring.  
Man, of what timber are thou?  
—Olaf Stapledon.

### Peter's Poser.

Little Peter was of an inquiring turn of mind.  
"Daddy," he asked one day, "is to-day to-morrow?"  
"No, my son, of course it isn't to-morrow," was the reply.  
"But you said it was," murmured Peter.  
"When did I say to-day was to-morrow?" asked father.  
"Yesterday," answered Peter.  
"Well, it was to-day yesterday, but to-day is to-day, just as yesterday was to-day yesterday, but is yesterday to-day, and to-morrow will be to-day to-morrow, which makes to-day yesterday and to-morrow all at once. Now run along and play."

### Poor Puss.

After a particularly trying day an English barrister came home with his nerves on edge and at once sought refuge in his own study, well away from the noise of the household. He sat down by the fire and was gradually feeling calmer, when the cat, which had been sitting there too, got up slowly and walked across the room.

The barrister started, then turned on her and said indignantly:

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### The Mower Sang.

The mower paused to whet his scythe,  
And whetting it he sang  
Till the merry tune and blithe  
The stretching hay fields rang.

The sweat ran down his sunburnt face,  
But deep his breath and slow,  
A wind made ripples in the place  
Where still he had to mow.

The whetstone rasped along the snath,  
Which hummed beneath the stroke,  
The knife that had laid low the swath  
In ringing triumph spoke.

What words were coupled to the tune  
He sang amid the hay?  
It may have been a wordless rune  
The mower sang that day.

But fully did I understand  
The song that then I heard,  
As though each note the mower  
Spun.

And as he sang my dull heart sang  
And lifted to the blue,  
While all the stretching hayfield rang  
And all my spirit, too.

—Maurice Morris.

### Funeral Before Death.

Funeral services for an old couple who are still alive have just been held at Kochi, Japan.

The man, who is the proprietor of a fashionable restaurant, and his wife, are both seventy, and it was their desire that their funeral should take place before their death.

A long cortege of "mourners" left the Kochi park, and all the procedure of the funeral service according to Buddhist rites was carried out in regular order at the Hongwan Temple.

After the service the couple entertained many of their "mourners" at a dinner, given to celebrate their longevity. They believe that the "funeral" has given them a new lease of life.

### Birth of An Island

The birth of an island is described in a report received recently from the master of the steamship Jacox, who declares that he was a witness of part of the phenomenon.

While on his route from Singapore, a violent disturbance was noted on the surface of the sea, where a mass "dark in color, with straight sides, about 100ft. in height, and between two and three miles in length," had risen above the surface.

"There were breakers along the entire length," added the captain, "and the sea was washing away loose material.

Repeated explosions were noted, causing large waves. These continued at intervals of about one minute for more than an hour."

The island has been officially named Tagawa, but on most charts is designated "Newborn."

Turnips are about nine-tenths water.

## Surnames and Their Origin

**CUMMING.**  
Variations—Cummings, Commings, Cumyn.  
Racial Origin—Norman-French.  
Source—A locality.

This group of family names is distinctly Scottish. It is, in fact, the name of an old feudal estate in Normandy.

This does not mean, however, that any appreciable amount of French blood flows in the veins of descendants of the Clan Cumming, for names form no infallible guide to blood. Probably no better example of this could be given than in the case of this particular name.

The Sire de "Comyn," or "Comin," as it is spelled in another copy of the battle roll called at the command of William the Conqueror following the Battle of Hastings, at which he broke the kingdom of the Anglo-Saxons, was one of the followers of the Conqueror. His given name does not appear, but the name of the place of which he was the ruler served for the Norman nobleman the same purpose as a modern family name, for his rulership was hereditary.

Either this nobleman or his son presumably was the Richard "Comyn" who settled in Scotland and became a follower of King David I. of that country, starting the family on the road to high honors. Later a John, known as the "Red Cumyn," laid claim to the Scottish throne and killed Robert the Bruce.

The family won its holdings and position in the Highlands, as a few other Norman families did, both through intermarriage and grants of the Scottish kings. In this manner the clan following gradually was built up from the inhabitants of the granted

## Pennies as Pledges.

In its original form the penny was not a coin, but a token or pledge. Its derivation comes from the same source as that from which we get the word "pawn," and also such words as "panel," "pane," "counterpane," and "panicle."

The readiest pledge to leave in pawn was cloth, hence the Latin "panna," a piece of cloth. The original panel was a piece of cloth, or patch, and from this we get the word "pane" as applied to a pane of glass, and also the word "penny." Its literal meaning being a pledge or token, and hence a coin. Originally the word was spelt "peny."

The word shilling really means a division of money into small parts, and is obtained from a word meaning "to divide." Thus, in the first place, it was not a coin, but an indication of money having been made up in small form.

Sterling, as applied to money, is derived from the Hanseatic League, which had an important house in England. As their land lay "to the east of England," Englishmen called them "Easterlings," and the gold they paid in the course of trade became known as "Easterling money." Subsequently the expression became sterling.

### C.G.S. "Arctic" Again Sails for Far North.

The Canadian Government steamship Arctic sailed from Quebec on July 9th for points in the Canadian Arctic archipelago in the provisional district of Franklin, Northwest Territories. It had been intended that the ship recently purchased in England for this service, and renamed the Franklin, would be used this year, but owing to unforeseen delays in having her hull strengthened to meet ice conditions this was impossible and it was necessary to recommission the famous old Arctic for one more northern voyage. As last year the expedition, which is in charge of the North West Territories Branch of the Department of the Interior, is commanded by Mr. J. D. Craig, and Captain J. E. Bernier is in charge of the Arctic. Those on board include a number of surveyors, naturalists, and engineers to investigate the natural resources of the region; the members of the special court which is to conduct the trial of three Eskimos charged with murder; and a number of members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to relieve men stationed in the north. The cargo consisted chiefly of supplies for the posts at Craig Harbor and Ponds Inlet and for the new posts it is intended to establish. It is expected the Arctic will return in October.

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## SYMPTOMS OF ANAEMIA

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## Music is Organized Sound.

With regard to performing and hearing music, the multiplication of instruments like the player piano and the talking machine added to the large number of persons who are able to play the piano, the organ, the violin and other stringed instruments—these all have smoothed the way to the understanding and appreciation of music.

It is by no means true that music is appreciated when it is understood, nor is it necessarily understood when it is appreciated. A long experience in teaching musical appreciation to college students has convinced one well-known authority of the truth of these statements, (1) An understanding of music without any real love for it, without feeling its worth, will result in mere snobbery, (2) A love of music, a belief in its great value without knowledge of its structure, without any exact knowledge how it grew or of what it is composed, will leave its possessor critically helpless, unable to distinguish between the false and the true, able to say only this, "I know what I like."

To know what music is made of, to approach it as organized sound, to realize that it has structure, to know that it is subject to the same great laws of growth as the other arts, to esteem it not because it helps one to make pictures, or for any other reason, but because it has value in and of itself, this is to understand music. Quite apart from what many people are pleased to term its message, beyond any emotional enjoyment experienced in hearing it, music exists as organized sound, and lasting and profound appreciation of music come to one the more profoundly that truth is apprehended.

### MONEY ORDERS.

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### Must Give to Receive.

If a farmer desires a bountiful harvest he will not be stingy with his seed planting, and it is equally true that he who would have friends must give generously of himself. In the moral world if we desire happiness we must "scatter seeds of kindness for the reaping by and by."  
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"In October, 1920, I went to Sudbury Hall, Lord Vernon's place in Derbyshire, to bring to town ten Chipendale chairs and two settees that he had bought. In a few days we sold them to Messrs. Dighton."

"What did you pay for them?" asked the examining lawyer.

"About six hundred pounds."

"How long was it before you sold them to Messrs. Dighton?"

"About six weeks."

"For how much?"

"One thousand four hundred pounds."

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Manifestations.  
Lord, who walked upon the sea,  
Is it you who pass  
Softly in the grass  
When a little wind blows over,  
Scarcely bending down the clover?

Is this robe of blooming years  
Spread across the field,  
That its hem has healed  
Suddenly my bitter heart  
With a virtue passing art?

And the high far touch of hills  
On my narrow sight  
Shedding vintaged light—  
Is it your hand healing me  
As the blind of Galilee?

—Hilda Morris.

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