### Unwilling Pupil.

Visitor—"Well, my little man, do you like going to school?"

Little Man (aged six)—"Yes; but I don't like staying there."

### On Friendly Terms.

Little Louise was lost on the street and was brought into the police station. The officers tried in every way to learn her name. Finally one of the officers said:

"What name does your mother call your father?"

"Why," said Louise, very innocently, "she don't call him any name, she likes him."

### Knew Something.

A postmistress in a village was very fond of tampering with the parcels. One day a boy came in with a large piece of bride's cake, and said, "My sister sent this to you."

"Oh, thank you," said the woman. "Tell her I have a weakness for bride's cake."

The boy eyed her coldly and said: "She sent it to you to get the edge off your appetite afore she sends away the boxes."

### It Has Its Uses.

An old Scotchwoman, much against her will, was induced to sit for her picture, the first she had taken since she was a girl in her teens. When the photograph was handed to her she failed to recognize herself. She thought there must be come mistake. "Is this me?" she asked. "Yes, madam," said the photographer, "and it's a speaking likeness." The old lady gazed at her counterfeit presentment for a full minute in silence. "Aweel!" she said resignedly, "it's a humblin' sicht."

### What Worried Horace.

Horace Norsworthy, of Morpeth, is the champion grouch. His pastor said to him one day:

"Well, Horace, you're a great growler and complainer, but you certainly can't growl and complain this year about your potato crop. Why, man, they tell me that both in quantity and quality it's the finest potato crop in Kent County."

"Oh, yes," muttered Horace, "that's all right as far as it goes, doctor, but whar am I goin' to get the bad potatoes to feed me hogs?"

### A Dead Beat.

Pat, while on a visit to America, became deeply interested in watching a Yankee gardener. After a while the following dialogue took place:

Yank—"Some fine vegetables here, Pat!"

Pat—"Yes."

Yank—"I once grew a cabbage which, when cut in two, and the heart removed, made a grand cradle for kiddies!"

Pat—"Begorra! But it must have been a mighty fine one. But we have some fine vegetables in old Ireland. I once remember seeing three men sleeping on one beet!"

Yank—"Three men?"

Pat—"Sure! Policemen!"

### Revised Version.

A young Australian reporter was left in charge of the news room one evening. Suddenly he was confronted with, to him, an inexplicable cable from England.

It ran: "Lincoln, 3.50. Dean Swift Obit Roseate Dawn," and was, in fact, the result of a race which had been run that day.

Knowing nothing about racing, and going bound to justify his existence, the inventive youth had the following inspired paragraph inserted in the paper next morning:

"We regret to announce the death at Lincoln at 3.50 yesterday afternoon of the Very Reverend Dean Swift, the author of the well known hymn 'The Roseate Hues of Early Dawn.'"

## Totems That Tell Tales.

From the British lion to the Chinese dragon, the old states of the world looked to the animals for the designs for their national crests.

The Prussian eagle and the Gallic cock, like the British lion, signify strength and pride; but new nations have also their official crests, or totems, and in nearly every case we find the choice has fallen on some kind of animal.

These totems tell tales to the interested observer. In most instances the figure chosen is a link with the past. It may be sentiment or business which sways the choice, but the animal is there. The totems of a nation or state are often shown on their postage-stamps.

The Canadian beaver and the kangaroo of Australia are natural enough, but Canada pays her tribute to sentiment by also adopting the maple-leaf. On the stamps of the United States there is a piture-gallery illustrative of national history, from the buffalo being hunted by the Red Man to the self-binders for prairie corn

Sealing and cod-fishing formed Newfoundland's early trade, so on oldest colony stamps we find the hair seal, on another a codfish. A Newfoundland dog graces yet another stamp, evidently a concession to sentiment rather than a record of trade.

Japan's stamps usually incline to bird objects, the osprey being a favorite choice. New Zealand inclines in this direction. The apteryx is commemorated on the postal issues. Many of New Zealand's great men have been naturalists, and it is reasonable enough to find the strange fauna of the islands imprinted on the stamps.

Behind the national emblem of the Republic of Guatemala, which is the trogon, a tropical bird of georgeous feathers and long tail-plumes, lies a small history-book in itself. This is one of the most interestng of bird emblems, although the black swans of Western Australia also have a story to tell.

In India and the Far East the totems chosen vary from bounding tigers to a tortoise asleep beneath a coconut-palm. Fancy runs riot in some postage-stamps and national emblems; but, traced back, there is always reason behind the choice. In the totem we may read the past.


# BABY'S HEALTH IN THE SPRING

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It's not the man who knows the most that has the most to say.

# Surnames and Their Origin

### POMEROY

**Variations—Pommery, Lapommeraye, Appleyard, Applegarth.**

**Racial Origin—Norman-French.**

**Source—A locality.**

Pomeroy is a family name belonging to that group which originated as descriptive of the locality in or near which the original bearers of the name lived. It means "apple yard."

It is an old name in England, being traceable back to the days of Norman dominance, in which, together with the period following it, most of the English family names developed into such from mere descriptive phrases.

The original form of the name, as it is found in the old records, is "de la Pommeraye" ("of the Appleyard"), but the Saronized version appeared quite early, at first in the form of "Atte Appleyard," and later with the prefix eliminated.

Pommery, of course, is simply a variation from Pomeroy in the development of the spelling from "Pommeraye."

While Pomeroy in some instances is more recently imported from France, the more usual form of the name as existing in that country today is Lapommeraye.

There has been little difference in the manner in which the true French and the Anglo-French family names have developed. In many cases they are almost identical. The principal difference in trend, except in the large class of family names formed from diminutives of given names, has been the dropping of all prefixes in England, while the French, though dropping the "de" quite often, have tended to retain the "la" or "le."

### MacSWINEY

**Variations—MacSweeney, McSweeney, Sweeney, McSwiggin, MacSwiggan, Sweeny, McSwiney, Swiney, Swyney, Swain, Swayne, Sweney.**

**Racial Origin—Irish.**

**Source—A given name.**

There is little doubt that in many cases there has been a confusion between this group of Irish surnames and the Scottish family names of the MacQueen-MacSweyn class, for the given names from which the groups have been developed are quite similar.

The Irish given name is "Suibhneach," and belongs to that fairy-name class which, incidentally, is almost as large among the Teutonic as the Celtic races. It means literally the spirit or apparition of the strawberry plant. The Scottish name was "Suibhne." It was, however, from an entirely different source, being in reality but the Gaelic rendering of the Norse and Danish name "Sweyn."

The MacSuibhaneaighe" clan in Ireland was a branch of the more ancient O'Neills, of Tyrone, through one "Aodh Anrachan," brother of "Donal am-Togdhamh," one of the O'Neill princes, and a brother of a "Suibhneach," who crossed over to Scotland and established himself there and is credited with being the founder of the MacLaughlans of that country.

There were several divisions of the MacSwiney clan ultimately. One was in Fanad. Another bore the name of "MacSuibhaneaighe na-Tuaighe" (the MacSwineys of the Axe"). Another was in Banagh, and still another at Castlemore, in Cork.

The variations of the name at the head of this article are, of course, merely the Anglicized forms.


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## "With All the Saints."

"Certainly I am not so foolish as to doubt the existence of God," Rob Kerr declared. "The memory of my parents' lives and prayers would prevent my doing that. And I haven't forgotten their faith."

"Don't you think that part of their faith in God was the result of their lifelong faithfulness to the church?" Dr. Parker asked.

"I am not prepared to answer that. They would have been the same wherever they were. I believe that their spiritual life grew out of their personal relationship with God. And it is the personal relationship that I claim for myself. Times are changed now. Many of the customs and methods of the church are obsolete and inadequate, and I feel that it is poor business to use them."

I am interested in the position you take," Dr. Parker said. "What organization seems to you better fitted than the church to meet the need of to-day?"

"I thought I made it clear that I believe in a personal relationship with God."

"Surely that is one of the foundation stones of the church! Do you mean that you believe you can achieve such a relationship better outside the church than in it?"

"Certainly quite as well." The young man seemed a trifle nettled.

"What I am trying to understand," Dr. Parker continued, "is why you hold such an attitude. Surely you don't take the same position toward business; you never would ignore business men's clubs and conferences and other means of co-operating." You wouldn't take the same ground in science and refuse to meet other men of scince or to make yourself familiar with thir discoveries. How then can you think that Rob Kerr all by him self is going to become master of the great spiritual mysteries? St. Paul, who knew his business as well as any man who ever lived, told his people that they must learn to apprehend certain things 'with all the saints.' In other words no man could apprehend all of them by himself. You have already intimated that the thing that has held you steady has been, not your own experience, but that of your parents. Suppose you had not had such parents? How far would your own experience have carried you?"

There was silence for a moment. Then the old minister held out his hand. "Come and join your father's people, Rob. There are saints still, and we need their help."

### This Sad World.

He—"Darling, why are you so sad?"

She (gulping down a sob)—"Oh, dearest, I was just thinking this will be our last evening together until to-morrow night."

Write it in your heart that every day is the best day of the year.—Emerson.

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If you will take the trouble to study and think, you will unquestionably stand out among your fellows. If you will throw yourself into your job, whatever it is, study all you see and hear, really crave a chance to use all your powers, you need not generally hunt success, for success will seek you out.—A. Barton Hepburn.


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These guano depoits are sometimes of great depth—so deep, in fact, that the lower stratum is as hard as limestone, and dates back to remote periods long before the sight of a man ever disturbed the countless millions of birds which generation after generation have nested on the islands.

Such enormous quantities of guano would seem incredible to anyone who has not seen the wonderful sight any one of these islands presents in the breeding season. The birds gather there in countless numbers, hatching out their eggs in such close proximity that there is barely room to turn round.

Cormorants are the most numerous species. A recent observer estimated that there were ten million birds of this species alone sitting upon their eggs in one place at the one time. They would appear to feed in relays, one "shift" taking care of the eggs whilst the other is at sea.

It is an amazing fact that, among the tens of thousands of nests, no bird seems to make a mistake as to which is her own.

Gannets and pelicans are also very numerous. It is quite a usual sight to see twenty thousand gannets busy fishing at the same time, and if the story is well founded that these voracious birds devour ten pounds of fish a day, it goes to prove the endless possibilities of the ocean as a source of food supply for human beings as well as birds.

Thus one flock, such as the above, may devour in the course of a day one hundred tons of fish, and as it is probable that one hundred million seabirds of different species, but all voracious, feed day by day off the coasts of Peru, a very elementary sum will give the weight of fish consumed. The resulting figure multiplied by the number of days in a year staggers the imagination.

## The Origin of Our Marriage Customs.

The "best man" is an essential feature in all our marriages, and can be traced back to the days of "marriage by capture," when the "best man" was the comrade called upon by the bridegroom to assist in the catching of his bride.

The "honeymoon" was not always a pleasure trip as it is now; originally it was a rapid flight of the newly-married couple to escape the wrath of an outraged father. There is no doubt that the bride and bridegroom deemed it advisable to keep out of his way for at least a month, to allow time for his vows of vengeance to cool down.

The custom of giving presents to bridesmaids originated in a form of toll. The bride's girl friends went through the form of preventing the bridegroom and his friends from taking her from her home, a mock battle ensued, each party pelting the other with sweetmeats, and this was finally settled by the bridegroom making presents to all the girls.

The custom of throwing an old shoe after the departing couple is another link with the past, but writers on the history of marriage disagree as to its origin. According to one view it originated in the "marriage by capture" days, when, during a fight at the bride's house, the nearest things that came handy were thrown. Another explanation is that it was a symbolic act on the part of the bride's father, signifying that he renounced all authority over his daughter.

The throwing of rice was symbolic of abundance and fertility, and clearly expressed the hope that the bride would live in plenty.

The wedding cake, still cut by the bride, is one of the oldest marriage customs. The taking of food or drink together by the bride and bridegroom was always the principal, and sometimes the only, ceremony among primitive people, and this is still the case in many parts of the world to-day.


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### The Puzzled Wife.

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Mr. Goodman (mystified) — "The night books?"

Mrs. Goodman — "Yes; those that you have to work over at night and that keep you down here until two o'clock in the morning."


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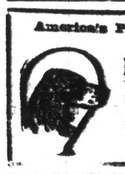

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