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CHRONOLOGICALLY SPEAKING

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11,390 B. C.: The button was invented, but not very much was done with it until the invention of the button-hole, which occurred a year later.

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3,990 B. C.: Adam raises Cain, and says he'll raise another son if he's Abel.

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45 B. C.: Toot-Un-Kommon, son of Cyclops I and grandson of Sideburns III, has to wait two hours in barber shop for Cleopatra to get her hair shingled before meeting Anthony.

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43 B. C.: Caesar gets a severe attack of Gaul stones.

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1066 A. D.: Sir John, yclept Schommer, (full big he was of braun, and eke of bones), when tackled amidships by an archer while refereeing the Battle of Hastings, quoth right lustily at the banquet hall: "I love the clash of lance on helm, eke jousts that teste the strengthe of blade and corselet, God wot, but this, as the good Sir Artemus said, 'is 2 mutch'."

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1352 A. D.: Wilber J. Budd, suffering from a bad cold, invests in a package of cough drops, but reaps no benefit as the directions did not say where they should be dropped.

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1493 A. D.: Colombo discovers GaudeLoupe, but Mrs. cantaloupe.

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1619 A. D.: Reports that Shakespeare was born found not to be exaggerated.

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1622 A. D.: John Alden pays his ice-bill promptly on the first of the month, and is therefore classed among the early settlers.

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1776: Washington throws a silver dollar across the Delaware river. Nobody has been able to do it since; scientists have just recently announced that is because a dollar went further then than now.

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1793: Whitney discovers cotton-gin.

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1794: Whitney discovers corn-whiskey.

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1812: Silas H. Levee raises his hand during a third grade class. This is the first holdup recorded in Chicago.

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1814: Prof. E. C. Nomist, A. M. (Absent Minded), discovers the law of diminishing returns. He sent a table-cloth to the laundry, and got back a lady's handkerchief.

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1816: Prof. E. C. Nomist wins the title of "the Original A. M. P." when, during a fire, he carried down a suitcase full of clothes in his arms, and threw his wife out of a second story window. Fortunately the glass was not damaged.

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1822: Rare Roman coin unearthed near Cicero (evidently it had roamed quite a ways), dated 378 B. C. What scientists can't dope out is how the minters knew about B. C. 378 years ahead of time.

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1826: Prof. E. C. Nomist, A. M., successfully defends the title he won in 1816. He was afflicted with tuberculosis, and went to Colorado. Later he settled in Chicago, but was obliged to return to Colorado for his lungs.

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1841: Arther S. Topeka, alias "Topeka Kansas," escapes from the Federal prison at Leavenworth after serving 5 years of his life sentence. The phrase: "Time is long, and Art is fleeting" originated at this time.

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1858: Elliot MacDoozle, in his "Memoirs," writes: "Sweet peas subject to tonsillitis and dandruff should be sprayed with cleaning solution and carefully sand-papered." MacDoozle was electrocuted at Sing-Sing August 32, 1795.

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1876: Robert Bluing wrote the following lines, in his "Ode to the Grocer":

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*"The hails on the thorn, the potatoes are blighted;
These boots pinch my corn, the farmer's excited
'Cause his ragweed is trampled, the truck garden's sampled,
God's in his Heaven, what's left of the world?"*

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1893: Pedestrian runs down first truck.

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