

Penny postage began in England on the 10th January, 1840.

The phonograph was invented by Thomas Alva I. Edison in 1877.

Spectacles were invented by an Italian in the 13th century.

The first public schools in America were established in the New England States about 1642.

The largest anvil is that used in the Woolwich Arsenal, England. It weighs sixty tons.

The greatest giant was Goliath who was eleven feet. He lived in Palestine 1063 B. C. The smallest dwarf was Lucia Zarate, a native of Mexico, who was only 20 inches.

The sayings of the seven wise men are the famous mottoes inscribed in the temple of Apollo at Delphi: Solon of Athens—"Know thyself;" Chile of Sparta—"Consider the end;" Thales of Miletus—"Suretyship is the precursor of ruin;" Bias of Priene—"Most men are bad;" Cleobulus of Lundus—"Avoid excess;" Pitaceus of Mitylene—"Know thy opportunity;" Periander of Corinth—"Nothing is impossible to industry."

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