

Saint Mary's Beacon.

The Smith Family.

A name which demands a volume to do it justice is that of Smith, which enjoys the proud preeminence of being the commonest of all English surnames.

"I am not sure," says one, "but that the name demands a new science to be called 'Smithology.' It would doubtless prove quite as instructive as many existing 'ologies,' and it would have merit of being more amusing."

The name is derived from the Saxon word Smitan—to smite. It was applied not only to workers in metal, but valorous soldiers were called "mighty warsmiths." The term was not confined to iron work, but was applied to everything which required "smithing." Thus the poet was a verssmith, though he only had to smite his brains to produce results.

In the early ages of the world every king and chief had a smith, and great was the honor paid to him. In Wales the King's smith sat beside His Majesty at table, and had a right to drink of every wine brought into the banquet hall before even the guests were served. The smith then shaped armor and military weapons, and part of his duty was to teach young warriors how to use the weapons after he had made them.

Among Highland clans the smith ranked third in dignity to the chief.

As a surname, it is one of the very oldest. By some historians it is said to be the oldest surname of all, with possibly the exception of the name of King. In old records the name appears as Smith, Smythe, Smyth, Smyth, Smythe, Smyth, Germany has its Schmids, Schmids, Smids Smiths, Smits and Schmitzes. In France, the name is the more euphonious Lefevres. In Italy it is Fabbroni. Then there are the classic Fabri and Fabricii. In Scotland one hardly recognizes the name of Gowans.

If you have a friend who is "Smyth," if you please; I have a "y" in my name," pray don't make the unpardonable mistake of calling him "Mr. Smith." He was probably "Smith" three generations ago, but that makes no difference, because, like all the rest of us, he is very sensitive over an error in the pronunciation or spelling of his name.

The Smiths of English ancestry trace back to the Right Reverend William Smith, who was born in Lancaster county, England, about 1460. He was bishop of Lincoln, and Litchfield, and, with one other, founded Brazenose College, Oxford. He is buried in Lincoln Cathedral.

One of the immigrant ancestors of the English Smiths was the old familiar John Smith, who was born in England about 1609, and probably came to this country in 1638, landing in Boston. With him came his brother Nehemiah. Edward, a nephew, came in 1652. He was the first regular customs official in the colony.

To John Smith, the second Mayor of Newcastle, England, and the fifth in descent from Bishop William Smith, was granted a crest in 1624, the family arms having been recognized in 1561. The arms—a token of prowess—displayed a lion rampant; the crest was a tiger passant wounded on his shoulder.

The proudest earldom in England is that of the Smiths—the real family surname of the Earl of Derby. An important organization is the Preston Choral Guild of Lancashire, England. The Guild Mayor for 1902 was the Earl of Derby who is the fifteenth one to bear the title.

An American Smith boasts not of crests and titles, but glories in the fact that his country's hymn was written by a member of his family. Rev. Dr. Samuel Francis Smith of Newton Center, Mass. It was written in 1832, and first brought into use at the Fourth of July celebration in same year at the Park Street Church, Boston.

The Smiths could fill every regiment and man every ship in Uncle Sam's service, so far as numerical and age requirements are concerned. Of the total appropriation made for the Civil Service, \$1,660,000 is paid out of the treasury to the Smith family each year.

Seven Smiths distinguished themselves as generals in the Civil War. One Smith has been nominated as President of the United States; six have been members of Presidential cabinets; one was elected President pro tem. of the Senate. One in every 127 Americans is of this name, and one in seventy-two in England.

"Is Mr. Smith here?" some one inquired at a door, where a meeting was in progress.

One thousand gentlemen arose. "It is Mr. John Smith I want."

Five hundred gentlemen sat down. But this is an old story, and probably originated with some one who had a quarrel with fate because he

didn't happen to be a Smith himself. For it is, if not a fact, at least a tradition, that every one was named Smith in the beginning, but as men degenerated and became unworthy of the name, they were given others—Vere de Vere, Capulet, or Montague, or something of the sort which really means nothing whatever.

Meetings of Lovers.

There are a few moments in a man's life which linger so long and tenderly in the memory as that in which his eyes first rested on the face of the woman who was destined to become his life companion, the sharer of all his joys and sorrows.

"Oh, Edward, do look there! Did you ever see such a lovely face? I wonder who she can be?" exclaimed Mrs. Bulwer to her son at a literary gathering in London one day, three-quarters of a century ago; and the son turned his eyes languidly in the direction his mother indicated, to find them arrested by the most beautiful vision he had ever seen. That glance of a moment sealed his fate, for Rosina Wheeler became the wife of the young man who was later to be known to fame as Lord Lytton.

There was little that was romantic in the first meeting of Kean, the great tragedian, and the lady who was to bear his name. It was on the stage of the Cheltenham Theater that Charles Kean and Miss Chambers, a pretty young actress, first saw each other. "Who is that shabby little man with the brilliant eyes?" Miss Chambers asked in the hearing of the King of the stage. "And who," Kean retorted by asking aloud, "is that odd little woman?"

From this singularly inauspicious opening Kean's love drama proceeded so swiftly that before a month had gone the curtain was rung down at the altar.

Scott's first passion took its origin in a shower, when he gallantly offered his umbrella to a charming girl, as she was leaving church. It was not long before the proffer of his umbrella was followed by an offer of his hand, which was accepted equally as graciously.

It was at the first performance of his "sylvana" at Frankfurt that Weber, the famous composer, met his matrimonial fate. At the close of the opera the applause was deafening, and the delighted audience clamored loudly for the composer, who, overwhelmed by nervousness, declined to show himself. At this juncture Miss Caroline Brandt, whose singing had contributed much to the success of the performance, seized hold of Weber's hand and dragged him by main force before the curtain. It was with much less reluctance that he held the same hand later at the altar.

Describing his first meeting with his wife Bishop Hall wrote: "Walking from the church with a grave and reverend minister, I saw a comely and modest gentlewoman standing at the door of that house where we were invited to a wedding dinner, and inquired of that worthy friend whether he knew her. 'Yes quoth he, 'I know her well and have bespoken her for your wife.'"

Cobbett, as the world knows, first saw the girl who was to become such a devoted wife when her arms were deep in the soapshuds of a wash tub. "That's the girl for me!" exclaimed the young soldier, as he then was, and five years the "maid of the wash tub" became Mrs. Cobbett.

Balzac was gazing through the window of a Swiss inn when his reverie was broken by the sweet voice of a girl asking if he would allow her to remove her book from the window seat against which he was leaning. The lady was the Princess Hanski, who later dowered the composer with her love and riches.

When Archbishop Tait was first introduced to his future wife she was busily engaged in making the very pair of slippers which, unknown to both of them, he was to wear during their honeymoon; and the first glimpse Miss Read had of Benjamin Franklin was as he passed her house on his return from a Baker's shop with a roll tucked under each arm, while he was diligently eating a third.

Miss Glynn's attention was first drawn to her distinguished husband, Mr. Gladstone, at the dinner table of a mutual friend. "Take careful note of that young man," her neighbor whispered to her, "for one day he will be Prime Minister of England."

Warren Hastings fell a victim to the charms of Baroness Imhoff during a voyage to India, when he had the misfortune to become seriously ill, and owed his life to the tender nursing of the fair German lady. And Dean Buckland lost his heart, while traveling by coach in the west of England, to a pretty young lady who, he found, was immersed in the very same book which he himself was reading. The accidental discovery of a kindred taste suggested to the young man possibilities which

were richly realized when Miss Morland became Mrs. Buckland. Brindley, the great engineer, was introduced to his wife when she was a small schoolgirl, and his first love offerings took the welcome form of gingerbread; while Macready's life romance began when he scolded a tiny nine-year-old actress for forgetting the words of her part. He made ample amends, however, for this seeming unkindness when in later years he rehearsed the marriage ceremony with her.—[London Tit-Bits.]

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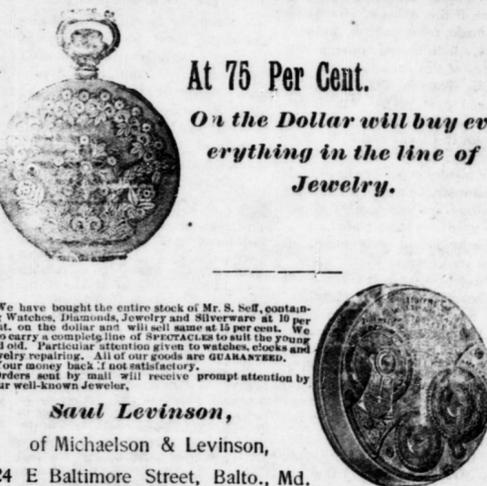
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