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## SOME INTERESTING BEGINNINGS.

Envelopes were first used in 1830.

The first steel pen was made in

1818.

The first iron steamship was built in

1830.

Coaches were first used in England in

1820.

The first steel plate was discovered in

1820.

The first horse railroad was built in

1820.

The first daily newspaper appeared in

1792.

The first telescope was used in Eng-

land in 1608.

The first watches were made at Neu-

enber in 1477.

Locomotives were first used in this

country in 1825.

Kerosene was first used for lighting

purposes in 1820.

The first copper coin was coined in

New Haven in 1787.

The first newspaper was published in

this country in 1790.

The first printing press in the United

States was worked in 1820.

Glass windows were first introduced

into England in the eighteenth century.

The first steam engine on this continent

was brought from England in 1792.

The first complete sewing machine

was patented by Elias Howe, Jr., in

1846.

The first telegraph instrument was

successfully operated by Prof. Morse

in 1844.

The first attempt to manufacture

plum in this country was made soon

after the war of 1812.

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Cough Cure. They never come back.

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