

# Trivia

*did you know that ...*

Hershey's Kisses are called that because the machine that makes them looks like it's kissing the conveyor belt.

*Colgate claims "Tooth Fairy" as a registered trademark.*

The characters Bert and Ernie on Sesame Street were named after Bert the cop and Ernie the taxi driver in Frank Capra's "It's a Wonderful Life."

*Armored knights raised their visors to identify themselves when they rode past their king. This custom has become the modern military salute.*

Everyone in the Middle Ages believed -- as Aristotle had -- that the heart was the seat of intelligence.

*The "Twelve Days of Christmas" gifts: A partridge in a pear tree, two turtledoves, three French hens, four calling birds, five gold rings, six geese a laying, seven swans swimming, eight maids milking, nine ladies dancing, ten lords leaping, eleven pipers piping, and twelve drummers drumming.*

Carnegie Hall in New York City opened in 1891 with Tchaikovsky, the famous Russian composer of "The Nutcracker", as guest coordinator.

*Chocolate syrup was used for blood in the famous 45 second shower scene in Alfred Hitchcock's movie, Psycho.*

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# Company News



## New Dixon Price List

We will be mailing the 2008 Dixon Price List

(DPL108) this month. In

an ongoing effort to be "The Right Connection", we are again expanding our product line. For 2008 we have new product offerings in the cam & groove, air, FRL's, gauges, shank fittings, brass, Holedall, sanitary fittings, fire, valves, pipe and welding and specialty hose groups. As always, the Dixon "mix" of products available through this new catalog allows for safe operations and the efficient transfer of water, air, and steam as well as many chemical media normally conveyed by hose assemblies.

The new DPL showcases the fittings and accessories that are stocked and ready for shipment from our twelve branch locations in the United States or three locations in Canada. Having the right part at the right place at the right time will always be our goal.

In addition to specifications and important descriptive information, the catalog contains many tables and useful pages of data concerning the proper and safe application of Dixon products. DPL108 is more than just a price list, it's a handy reference for the coupling professional. If you would like additional copies please call Dixon at 1-877-963-4966 or visit us on the web at [www.dixonvalve.com](http://www.dixonvalve.com) and use the online catalog - literature request form.

# Dates in History

**1798** On December 14th, David Wilkinson patents a nut and bolt machine.

**1863** On December 8th, Abraham Lincoln announces his plan to reconstruct the South.

**1913** On December 1st, The Ford Motor Company introduced the first continuous moving assembly line, allowing Ford to complete a car every two-and-a-half minutes.

**1931** On December 7th, the last Ford Model A was produced.

**1969** On December 9th, the ground breaking for Washington, DC's Metrorail was held.

**1990** On December 1st, tunneling crews met at the halfway point for the Service Tunnels (131 feet below the English Channel), connecting England to Europe. Commonly referred to as "*The Chunnel*."

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# On the Lighter Side

Did you read about the man who went on a powdered food diet. It was working quite well until he went in the rain...and immediately gained 22 pounds.

*"Lord, if you can't make me thin, then make my friends look fat."*

With tears in her eyes, the little girl told her kindergarten teacher the only coat left on the coat rack wasn't hers. The teacher searched the coat rack and the class but she couldn't find any other coat. "Are you sure this isn't yours?" she asked. "I'm sure," the little girl sobbed. "My coat had snow on it."

*A town doctor was in bed when his phone rang and an excited voice told him that the baby had swallowed a corkscrew. The doctor was about to leave for the hospital emergency room when his phone rang again. The same voice on the line said: "It's all right now, doctor. We've found another corkscrew."*

One of these days somebody's going to come up with a book on "How to Get Out of Doing it Yourself." That person is destined to make a fortune.

*Father: "I'm worried about your being at the bottom of the class."*

*Son: "Don't worry, Dad, they teach the same stuff at both ends."*