In the English language, there are a great many common expressions that are built on the formula whose what, that is, a possessive noun plus a noun. To discover just how many of these little phrases have become established, try filling in the blanks below. Answers appear at the end of this issue.

The first section involves animals. Supply the noun that follows each zoological possessive. Example: rabbit's foot.

1. a bird's --- 2. bulls --- 3. (the) cat's --- 4. in a coon's --- 5. crow's --- 6. a dog's --- 7. frog's --- 
8. scarce as hens' --- 9. a hornets' --- 10. the lion's --- 11. a monkey's --- 12. in a pig's --- 13. at a snail's ---

For the next grouping, again supply the noun that follows each possessive. Example: no man's land.

27. child's --- 28. citizen's --- 29. collector's --- 30. all in a day's --- 31. dead man's --- 32. devil's ---
33. your father's --- 34. finder's --- 35. fireman's --- 36. fool's --- 37. gentlemen's --- 38. God's ---
39. a hair's --- 40. heart's --- 41. for heaven's --- 42. Hell's --- 43. housemaid's --- 44. idiot's ---
45. Jehovah's --- 46. a king's --- 47. the Lord's --- 48. lovers' --- 49. the mind's --- 50. mother's ---
51. painter's --- 52. the razor's --- 53. rogues' --- 54. runner's --- 55. scout's --- 56. wolf in sheep's ---
57. shepherd's --- 58. a stone's --- 59. teacher's --- 60. widow's --- 61. at wit's ---
Each item in the next cluster starts with a person's name. For each blank, supply the proper noun that precedes each given noun.

Example: Halley's Comet.

66. ---'s Almanack
67. ---'s apple (or rib)
68. ---'s ark
69. ---'s Belt
70. ---'s bosom
71. ---'s box
72. ---'s choice
73. ---'s cow
74. ---'s Dance
75. ---'s Disease
76. ---'s fire
77. ---'s Follies
78. ---'s Folly
79. ---'s heel (or tendon)
80. ---'s helpers (or reindeer)
81. ---'s lace
82. ---'s ladder
83. ---'s Last Stand

Finally, a bonus section for book lovers. The titles of various works of literature also adhere to the pattern whose what. For the last set of blanks, fill in the name that kicks off each literary title. Example: Gray's Elegy.

101. --- Adventures in Wonderland
102. --- Baby
103. --- Body
104. --- Cabin
105. --- Choice
106. --- Complaint
107. --- Last Tape
108. --- Travels
109. --- Wake
110. --- Web