Time Line:

1520: Geronimo Cardano publishes the first book on statistics
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1805: Legendre publishes the least squares method
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1888: Francis Galton discovers correlation
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1896: Peirce develops random sampling
1899: Lord Guinness, of the Guinness Brewing Company hires William Gosset (a
          Statistician) to help the company
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1970: John Tukey develops the stem and leaf plot and the box and whiskers plot