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### Lincoln the Farmer.

Matters soon reached a crisis which drove the junior partner out into the fields again, where he undertook all sorts of rough farm labor, from splitting rails to plowing. As a man-of-all-work, however, Lincoln did not prove altogether satisfactory to his employers. He was too fond of mounting stumps in the field and "practicing polemics" on the other farm hands, and there was something uncomfortable about a plow man who read as he followed the team, no matter how straight his furrows ran. Such practices were irritating, if not presumptuous, and there is a well known story about a farmer who found "the hired man" lying in a field beside the road, dressed in his not too immaculate farm clothes, with a book instead of a pitchfork in his hand.

"What are you reading?" inquired the old gentleman.

"I'm not reading; I'm studying," answered Lincoln his wonderful eyes still on the pages of his book.

"Studying what?"

"Law sir."

The old man stared at the speaker for a moment in utter amazement.

"Great—God—Almighty!" he muttered as he passed on shaking his head.

—From Frederick Trevor Hill's "Lincoln the Lawyer" in the January Century.

### Exception.

The wandering minstrel man stepped off the accommodation and accosted the oldest inhabitant, who was sitting on a nail keg chewing a piece of sassafras bark.

"Guess every one is acquainted in this town," ventured the minstrel man. "Reckon they be," drawled the old man, "seeing that there ain't so many of us."

"And gossip! I dare say they are plentiful!"

"Everybody in town is a gossip but old Dan."

"Ah, I admire Dan. I bet he is conscientious. Now, isn't that why he doesn't gossip?"

"No, stranger; Dan don't gossip because he is dead. Been dead a month."

### Past Reconciliation.

In the days of the first settlers in the Chickasaw country, when Davy Crockett still frequented the Big Hatchie, "Old Man Giddins" was a prosperous citizen of the Forked Deer settlement. One day he started on a trip to Arkansas, and thenceforth for several years Forked Deer knew him no more.

As travel in Arkansas was dangerous, and as nothing was heard of Giddins, he was officially declared dead by the court, and his estate divided among his heirs. A year or so later, however, he turned up, and tried to get possession of his property again. He was promptly seized and taken into court.

"What do you mean by coming round here, trying to take this property?" roared the court at him.

"It's my property," asserted Giddins. "Everybody knows it's mine."

"Not at all!" replied the judge. "I'll admit your case seems a hard one, but it can't be helped now. This court has decided that you are extinct de-functus, which is Latin for dead. This court cannot err. Dead you are. If you want any property round here you must take another name and set to work to earn it. Mr. Sheriff, adjourn this court, and we will all go and see that wrestling match you spoke of."

### A Little More Credible.

A man who had been shooting on Cape Cod returned by train, and a stranger who was obliged to share his seat entered into conversation with him, and asked if he had had good sport.

"Very good, indeed," replied the sportsman. "We got one hundred head to two guns."

"You don't say so!" ejaculated the stranger, apparently lost in astonishment at the size of the bag. "Double-barreled guns, I suppose?"

Yes, Verily.

To sit upon a jury  
Most every man has fitness,  
But it takes a skillful lawyer  
To sit upon a witness.  
—Philadelphia Press.

## QUEER STORIES

The longest clock pendulum ever made is that of the Eiffel Tower—377 feet.

A chasm, thirty miles in length has been excavated by the waters of the Grand Falls of Labrador.

The occupants of the Philippines represent such a variety of races that thirty-one languages are spoken there.

The most costly tomb in existence is that which was erected to the memory of Mahomet. The diamonds and rubies are valued at £2,000,000.

Steam has by no means made sailing vessels obsolete. The total number of them in the world is still 65,934, as against only 30,561 steamers.

An acting model of the human heart, with every detail, has been made by a French physician. The blood can be seen coursing to and from it through artificial arteries.

Naturalists say the smallest tree in the world is the Greenland birch. This miniature tree grows to a height of less than three inches, although it spreads over a radius of two or three feet.

Every three years all Chinese domiciled in Siam have to pay a small poll tax. When this has been paid the collector ties a string around the man's left wrist and fastens the knot with a special official seal. The bracelet is a Chinese receipt and must be worn one month.

Automatic billiard tables have been invented in Germany to do away with the services of an attendant and save the proprietors of cafes the men's wages. On dropping a small coin into a slot the balls are produced automatically and at the end of fifteen minutes they disappear from the table.

During a recent cold period in Switzerland thousands of swallows fell exhausted and half frozen. At Lucerne and Zurich the birds were collected and taken care of by the people. When they had sufficiently recovered they were shipped by train to Italy and there set at liberty to continue the migration southward.

This country is the greatest consumer of hides and skins in the world. It uses in a year 48,000,000 goat skins, 24,000,000 sheep skins, 16,000,000 hides of all kinds, nine million calf skins, and two million other skins. It imports all its goat skins, a total amount of about \$25,000,000 worth, and over \$10,000,000 worth of hides and over \$17,000,000 worth of other skins, a total of over \$50,000,000 worth of hides and skins. Germany imports one-third less hides and skins than does this country, and England and France each import one-half as much.

A formidable list of persons killed and injured in one month by eating adulterated food has been compiled by a current magazine. The list of the dead include four persons who died from eating toaststools mixed with mushrooms, three poisoned by candy, three by wood alcohol contained in lemon extract, and many by the same substance in whisky; four infected by typhoid fever germs contained in ice cream, twin babies poisoned by formaldehyde used to preserve milk, and hundreds of persons poisoned by beer manufactured from glucose, in the manufacture of which sulphuric acid, made from an arsenic bearing mineral has been used. Many of these cases were reported by health officers and food commissioners of the various States in which they occurred.

### HE GAVE WHAT HE HAD.

East Avenue, on the beautiful campus of Cornell University, is shaded by a row of elm-trees, each end of the line marked by a small brown stone bearing the inscription, "Ostrander Elms." Henry W. Sage, whose name stands next to that of Ezra Cornell on the roll of the benefactors of the university, told the story of these trees in an address at Cornell several years ago. After speaking of many things that had been done for the young college, he said:

And last, not least, a gift which has always had for me a fragrance akin to that of the widow's mite immortalized in Scripture. John B. Ostrander, a man remarkable for his integrity and humility, after having served me twenty-five years in the forests of Canada and Michigan, returned at the age of 70 to Dryden, his native town, to spend there his declining years.

Meeting me one day, he said: "Henry, I have been to the university grounds and seen the work in progress, and feel as if I want to do something to help it along. Now I have no money, but I have some fine young elms in my woods, and I can bring down thirty or forty and plant them there. They will look well, and will make a shade for somebody after you and I are gone."

I replied, "They are just what we want. Bring them, and they shall be known as the Ostrander Elms."

Those are the elms on East Avenue, and a stone at each end marks the name of the donor. The shadow of death has rested over his tomb several years, and not long hence will rest over mine, but the elms remain, and a hundred years hence the shadows of their graceful foliage will attest the loving gift he made us—"they will make a shade for somebody."

What has become of the woman so old-fashioned that she leaned on her escort's arm?



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"You see, it's like this with my business. Order day is order day, and delivery day is delivery day, and whether it's summer, with thirty-two customers on the route, or winter, with—well, with some less, all Jim's got to do those days is to get over the route by shutting-up time."

"And he's what you might call a handy boy, Jim is. Groceries and hardware aren't all he's got in his mind, and he's ready to take hold and help with what's going on wherever he goes. So—I feel kind of dubious when I think of Boston. I don't know as you catch my meaning?"

"M-m," said the city man. "I believe I do."

### A Knotty Question.

Pokely—I saw a kid watching a ball game through a knothole to-day and—

Jokeley—Pardon me; that reminds me. When may a knothole be said to be not whole?

Pokely—What on earth are you talking about?

Jokeley—The answer is: "When only part of the knot is not."—Philadelphia Press.

### Harsh Measures.

Oldpop—I want that man Stoptole to quit hanging around here. You send him away.

Daughter—But, papa, I can't get rid of him. I've given him all sorts of hints, and even treated him rudely, but it's no use.

Oldpop—Well, make it strong. The next time he comes, sing to him.—Cleveland Leader.

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"You don't say. It is a wonder his wife didn't take the money away from him."

"She gave it to him. She won it playing 'bridge.'"

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