

GOSSIP OF THE BACKWOODS

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The practical joker is again up and doing at Point Gap. No longer contented about work, he has become a soul of the flock at the cross-roads store. Since the breeze have carried his jollity into all corners, those of his neighbors who have not lost all their "meetin' house" solemnity are afraid—those who not long ago dated a good deal of supernatural power and were a power themselves against most of the day's evil!

station to fire at the youth doubled up with the inconceivable tree, a young hand seized a hen, and said he gave a terrific squall. The story was broken off. Urged by his wife, the veteran went to the roof. As Will had retreated into the smokehouse, the hen emitted her yells therefrom. The hero of Chickamauga feared only one thing, a confusion among his chickens, but he was compelled to catch the predicament by the horns this time. So he mimicked his attitude in the great battle and peeping into the darkness of the room, said: "Shoo-poo-oo!"

being alone should be reversed; for does not joy begot concern, which will finally overwhelm with new and unhappy ties? Naturally the maiden thought he needed a correction. Humiliation, such as a net of circumstances planned by a professional joker, would be the very thing.

most resolved to forsake her plans and die a martyr in the approaching winter. But she decided to keep vigil near her traps yet another time. Great was her joy therefore when Billy Willy was caught by the largest snail and suspended, head downward, over a cliff which forested miserably suspense or final death among the roughs half a mile below!

On his arrival, Young America was told to go after grass seed three miles down. Having unloaded, he started in an hour he returned with a club in his hand and blood in his eye. But as night was fast approaching, and the mule was not, the owner thereof came just then to divert the rider's attention to the problem as to how he could explain his long stay.

YARN MILL MERGER PLANNED? Rumor in New York That Expert Accountants Are Examining Southern Plans for This Purpose. New York Journal of Commerce, 7th. There was a rumor in circulation in the financial district yesterday to the effect that another attempt is being made on the part of promoters to merge a number of cotton yarn mills into a new corporation with a large capitalization.

Tillman's Chicago Speech. Spartanburg Spartan. Tillman's Chicago speech did not hit him nor the negro. South Carolina was the chief sufferer.

CATARRH

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