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Recognized at Long Distance.

An old farmer was skeptical as to whether people who were miles apart could really talk to each other over a telephone wire.

One day his wife went to make a visit to a distant friend who had a telephone in her house. During the afternoon the farmer visited a near neighbor who also boasted a house telephone, and who persuaded the farmer to call up his wife as a little surprise.

Following instructions, he put the receiver to his ear, and, after the usual preliminaries, he shouted:

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Just then a flash of lightning caused by the heat of the summer day struck the wire and he fell sprawling to the foor. The neighbor was chagrined that the old man should meet with such an accident on his first trial of a telephone, and assured him that such a thing would not happen except in case of storms. But the farmer was convinced of the possibilities of communication, however, and would not try again. He rose to his feet, and, shaking his head knowingly, said:

"It's wonderful! That was Jane, all right."

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