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The Ornithologist and the Ichthyologist

A N Ornithologist invited an ichthyologist to walk in the woods with him, and the ornithologist said: "I suppose you know that the crow——"

"I know nothing about birds."

"But surely you have heard that the cuckoo—"

"I do not know a hawk from a handsaw, I am sorry to say."

"Yes, but you surely have heard so common a thing as the fact that the swallow never—"

"My friend I know less than nothing about birds."

"They finished their walk, and the ornithologist went home and said to his wife:

"The man with whom I walked to-day in the woods is woefully ignorant. How can a man go through life with so little knowledge of the things about him?"

The next day the ichthyologist invited the ornithologist to walk along the seacliffs with him.

So they walked together, and on the cliffs a doltish fellow was standing.

"Good-morning," they said to him, but he only stared at them, openmouthed.

"A fool!" cried both.

And the ichthyologist said to the ornithologist: "Of course you know that the blue fish of these waters——"

"I know nothing about fish."

"But surely you have heard that the sword fish——"

"I would not know a cod from a kid, I am sorry to say."

"Yes, but you surely have heard so common a thing as the fact that a porpoise never——"

"My friend, I know less than nothing about fish."

At this point the ichthyologist, was so impressed by his friend's ignorance about common things that he did not mind his