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A Wise President.

It was at a session of the London Conference. A brother who had made several unsuccessful attempts to catch the President's eye, at last succeeded in gaining the floor, and complained that he had not received fair play. "Why," said he, "we in this end of the church have no chance to speak, for the President never looks in our direction at all."

Rev. Dr. Willoughby at once gravely responded, "The President keeps his eyes from beholding rarity."

In the Same Fix.

An author wrote an Easter story for a certain publication. It was accepted, but the cheque for it did not arrive "on time."

The author was anxious about it, and for reasons. He wrote to the editor:

"Will you please send that cheque in time for my wife's Easter hat?"

The editor was prompt in replying. He wrote:

"I can't. I'm married myself!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Difficult to Convince.

"That's what I learned at school, Uncle 'Rastus,'" said the small white boy from the old plantation. "The world is round, and keeps going round. Can't you understand it?"

"No, honey, I cya'n't say I does," admitted Uncle 'Rastus, surveying the well-varnished apple with which his little guest had illustrated his argument. "Wat holds de world up, dat? what I'd like to know, chile?"

"Why, it goes round de sun, Uncle 'Rastus,'" said the boy, eagerly, "and the sun holds it up by the law of attraction."

"Um, honey, I reckon yo ain' gone quite far 'nough in yo' reasoning yet," said the old man, with a smile of patronizing good nature. "In dat case, w'at would keep de world up when de sun's gone down? Answer me dat, chile."

A New Lincoln Story.

When Abraham Lincoln was in Springfield, Ill., he met a little boy who was introduced to him, and who was allowed to shake the great man's hand. On the President's departure the boy boasted of the incident among his schoolfellows, who refused to believe him and made his life miserable by their jeers. Young America was not daunted, however, by the skeptics' persecution, but sat down and wrote a letter to Lincoln, telling him of his trouble. In a little while he received the following letter:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, MARCH 19, 1861.

Whom It May Concern: I did see and talk with Master George Evans Patten last May, at Springfield, Ill.

Respectfully, A. LINCOLN.

This effectually silenced the unbelievers, and from a derided and scorned object, young George Evans Patten became the envy of the other boys. It is astonishing that Lincoln, at this anxious time, with the multiplicity of things demanding his attention, should have found time to heed the request of a mere schoolboy on a matter which was of absolutely no importance except to the boy himself. It is characteristic of the man that he could and would find time to remedy an injustice whenever brought to his notice, however humble the subject of it might be.

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