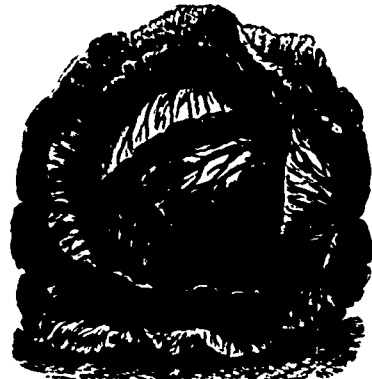


A certain lawyer had his portrait taken in his favorite attitude—standing with one hand in his pocket. His friends and clients all went to see it, and everybody exclaimed, "Oh, how like! It's the very picture of him." An old farmer only dissented—"Taint like!" exclaimed everybody, "Just shew us where 'tain't like." "'Taint—no, 'tain't" responded the old farmer. "Don't you see he has got his hand in his own pocket; 'twould be as like again if he had it in somebody else's."

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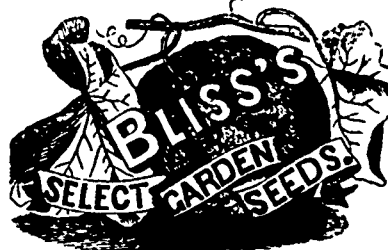
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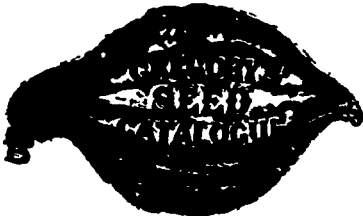
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