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Oscar Marburger, once a hustling farmer of Lee County, but late years a farmer near Paige, was a caller at the News office Monday. He was on his way home from a visit to his son at Burlington and reports a most pleasant trip except that he happened to a little bad luck. He walks with a walking stick (generally a broom stick) and his friend of long standing Max Jenke of Fedor gave Oscar a fancy walking cane. Max did not need the cane because he does not use one and he does not need one for protection as he has no enemies and all the neighbors' dogs know him, so Max gave the cane to Oscar.

While Oscar was visiting in the black land where they have to walk on planks during wet weather, Oscar slipped and fell on one of the planks going to the house. He injured his hip slightly, but that was not the worst of it — the neighbors up there were all strangers to Oscar and they thought he had been drinking. That was hard luck for Oscar, especially when he was away from home. Better luck next time, Oscar. The editor knows you and your fancy cane.