

## Lincoln on the circuit:

Judge <sup>P. S.</sup> Conway told me to-day of how Leonard Sweet told him that when they were travelling on the circuit they used to carry their fawn guns & frequently they came across deer. As soon as one was spied the whole ~~crew~~ travelling court gave chase. The deer usually took a circuitous path to a piece of timber & the court would pell mell in a straight line to the same spot. If it took a week the chase was never given up & the litigation hung fire until the deer was down.

He tells me Judge Swiny of Chicago was the son of a tavern keeper at whose place Lincoln, Sweet, Davis, Logan & Douglas used to stop. Swiny has some of the circuit also a copy of his father's tavern receipt with great names upon it. Has made a speech (on retirement of Judge Bloodjett?) which contains reminiscences of this period.