A Clary's Grove Log Cabin.

From a water-color by Miss Etta Ackermann, Springfield, Ill.

This cabin was the residence of George Davis, one of the Clary's "Grove Grove Boys", and grandfather of Miss Ackermann. It was built seventy-one years ago—in 1824—and is the only one left of the cluster of cabins which constituted the little community. "Clary's Grove" was the name of a settlement five miles southwest of New Salem, deriving this designation from a grove on the land of the Shapin Clarys. A daring and reckless set of young men living in this neighborhood were known as the "Clary's Grove Boys". The fraternity in reality extended to New Salem, at least to the extent of which allowed the admission of honorary members; for very soon after his arrival there Lincoln won their favor to a phenomenal degree and was taken into full fellowship.