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From the Portland Transcript. ETHAN SPIKE'S FIRST AND LAST VISIT TO PORTLAND. Maine is a great State! There's no doubt of it. It is farther "Down East" than either of the twenty-six—to say nothing of Texas and California.

Speaking of this reminds us of our old friend, Ethan Spike, up in Oxford county. Ethan's a team altogether, and has skinned more bears than any other man in the State—besides holding a justice of the Peace's commission.

Portland, said he, 'is the all darndest place I ever seed. I was down there in '33, to see a little about my goin' to the Legislature, and such a run time as I had you never hee'd tell of.

'Wal, I'd bin down thar two or three days, pokin' about in every hole an' corner, an' thought I'd seed just every thing thar to be seed. But one day towards sun-down I was going by a shop in Middle street that looked wonderfully sick.

Wal, I didn't feel any better I went into a shop close by, an' called for two glasses of brandy; arter swallowin' it, I went hum to the tavern.

When I got up I hadn't any appetite for breakfast, and the tavern-keeper told me if I was goin to carry on—screaming and groainin as I had the night before, my room was better than my company.

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