

# Recollections of Life in Ohio

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*Recollections of Life in Ohio* is the autobiography of William Cooper Howells (1807-1894), father of the American novelist William Dean Howells. William Cooper's father brought the family from Wales to Ohio in 1813. This was a time and place where neighbors joined together to raise log barns and husk corn, where local peach brandy was a staple drink, and where religious revivalism permeated the social fabric. Howells' recollections see him herding the family pig down the road with a noose around its hind leg, acting as "corner man" at a log barn raising, curing tobacco in a smoke house, grubbing stumps, fighting snakes, and wrestling with what it meant to be "religious" at the camp meetings to which father took him. *Recollections of Life in Ohio* is a fascinating and enjoyable read for anyone interested in U.S. frontier history.

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