

# Orrin Porter Rockwell

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Orrin Porter Rockwell...  
Best gun in the West...  
Orrin Porter Rockwell....  
Always passed his test...

He is known for so many things...  
His fearlessness and his tricky schemes.....  
But he's best known for, they always say.....  
The trick he played on poor old Frank Slade!!!!

Orrin Porter Rockwell was a US Marshall.....  
And a very good shot...  
Many silly gunmen tried to test themselves against them..  
But...you know what they got.....!!!!

But Frank Slade found him by himself one day....  
And said...."I've come to kill ya.....!!!!!"  
Orrin Porter Rockwell just laughed and said....  
"Why that will never do ya.....!!!!!"

"You can't kill me!!!!!"  
Frank said "I know of the prophecy...."  
Orrin Porter Rockwell said "I don't mean that!!!!"  
"You can't win....if you don't have a firing pin..."  
Frank looked down and that was that....

But Orrin Porter Rockwell took it all in stride...  
Knowing folks must keep their self-sustaining pride..  
But when he heard of a friend in need.....  
He dropped everything and ran with all speed...

Joseph Smith's brother's wife....had a strange illness.  
Orrin Porter Rockwell saw a need and filled it....

He went to visit Agnes Coolbrith Smith  
Orrin Porter Rockwell looked and thought, 'What's THIS?'  
For there in the doorway as he came to call-  
Stood Agnes Coolbrith Smith, COMPLETELY BALD!!!

Orrin Porter Rockwell took his life in hand...  
Crossed the street and gave a command...  
Said, "Cut my hair and do it quick...  
"And make for Agnes Coolbrith Smith a beautiful wig!!."

Kindly Providence must have given a wink...  
At least that's what most people think...  
The prophecy was if he'd never cut his hair...  
No assassin would ever find him unprepared...

Orrin Porter Rockwell...Died in his bed....  
Orrin Porter Rockwell.... Of him it is said...

He was loyal to a fault...  
Did what other people ought...  
Supported his friends and did his part...  
And he's won a place in history's heart...

Orrin Porter Rockwell...Best gun in the West...  
Orrin Porter Rockwell...Of friends he's the best!!!!