

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

## The Personal Narrative
## Assignment 7

- *poem.* Memorize section 3 of John Keats' sonnet, "The Grasshopper and the Cricket."
- *reading.* Complete Lesson 7 and the corresponding reading. We will be reading ballads by various authors: Wordsworth's "The Idiot Boy," Longfellow's "Wreck of the Hesperus," "Robin Hood's Death and Burial" (Child, compiler), and Holmes' "The Ballad of the Oysterman." Make sure that you study all the material presented in the lesson.
- *writing.* Write a journal entry on your reading response to the "The Idiot Boy."
- *picture.* Oliver Wendell Holmes was one of America's five Fireside Poets, a group which also included Longfellow. He was also a physician. His son, jurist Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., was the inspiration behind the name of Arthur Conan Doyle's character Sherlock Holmes.