

Smith & Jones.

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Jonas K. Smith and William B. Jones were schoolmates and bosom friends. At the age of twenty they entered the same counting room. Two years later Smith went into the draper's business, and Jones went to South America to represent a firm.

Three years after Jones had departed for South America things so changed with his firm that he returned. Smith knew that he was coming and was the first to greet him. Neither had married during the interval. The draper had prospered, but desired to enlist more capital and enlarge his business. Jones had money and became a partner. So great was their faith in each other that no papers were drawn beyond those making it a legal partnership. They trusted to each other in everything else. The partnership continued for five years, and the firm made money. This made at least sixteen years that they had been daily together as boys and men, and one would have said that each thoroughly understood the other. One day, in view of further improvements, they had a balance sheet drawn. This showed the exact share of each and the profits made. There was a difference of just a halfpenny in favor of Smith. The matter was first mentioned in a joking way and in the greatest good nature, but later on it became a bone of contention. Here were two lifelong friends who had handled thousands of pounds between them disputing about a halfpenny. Each declared that he was actuated by principle, and so hot did the dispute rage that a dissolution of the copartnership was agreed upon.

Jones went out of the firm and established an opposition trade. In two years he bankrupted both concerns. People for thirty miles around were furnished with free railroad tickets to come and buy, even at half price, and they were furnished free meals at the stores.

When bankruptcy came it made a clean sweep. Both men went out into the world without a dollar. Smith took a situation in a warehouse, and Jones secured one with a real estate agent. Smith secured board far away from the other place, but inside of two days Jones was a boarder at the same place. Then they spoke for the first time in two years, and their words were overheard by the landlady, as testified to afterward. As they met in the upper hall Jones said:

"Smith, I have just a word to say to you. I shall kill you some day for your meanness about that halfpenny."

"That's my intention toward you." That was all. They sat at the same table and slept within a few feet of each other for five months and never passed another word. They ignored each other's very existence. The other boarders in the house came to understand the situation and fell into it, though of course it was a subject of general remark. On a dozen different occasions mutual friends interceded, but each time they were rebuffed. That poor little halfpenny stood in the way and could not be put aside. At the end of five months a relative of Smith died, and he decided to buy a house in a suburb of London and have a widowed sister act as housekeeper. This project was talked over at the table before all.

It was a most curious thing that Jones should be in the employ of the real estate man who had erected the houses in the suburb referred to and that it was a part of his duties to show would be purchasers through the houses. Such was the case, however, and one afternoon when Smith alighted from the underground at the suburb he found Jones ready for him. It must have been a surprise to him, and yet he was equal to the occasion. He asked to be shown a certain house, and Jones led the way into it. People on the street heard and saw this. That evening neither man returned to his boarding house. They did not return next day. Then the police were spoken to, and a search was instituted. Smith had said that he was going to look at a house. Jones had said that he was going to show a house to a customer.

They found the house into which the two men had gone and had not been seen to reappear with its outer door unlocked. In a room upstairs they found Smith and Jones dead. What happened was told by a tramp who was in hiding in the house because he had committed a theft and feared the police were after him. He was asleep in an upstairs room and was awakened by the sounds of the men's voices in dispute. He heard one say:

"Smith, Providence has sent you here to your death. I am going to kill you!"

"Jones, I have been waiting for just such an opportunity to take your life" replied the other.

There was little or nothing more said before they closed with each other. The struggle lasted about five minutes. It was heard, but not seen, by the tramp. It ended by Smith being dashed against the sill of a window with such force as to fracture his skull. It was the opinion of the doctors that he may have lived on for an hour. Jones started to go downstairs, but sat down on the top step and fell back and died. He had a weak heart and had overexerted himself. The tramp had to climb over him to get downstairs.

That was the end of one of the strangest feuds ever started from any cause, and one has but to read the par-

...ulars to wonder if any human being ever comes to really understand another. M. QUAD

A FEAT OF MEMORY.

Zangwill's Knowledge of the Famous Trials of History.

As an indication of the quality of Zangwill's mental processes I may relate an incident that occurred while we were producing "The Children of the Ghetto." Mr. Zangwill was seated in my office, and we were going over some of the details of the play. It was the day that Labor, intimately connected with the Dreyfus case in Paris, was assassinated. Knowing that Zangwill had intimate knowledge of the case, a New York newspaper sent a representative up to see him. The reporter entered and after conveying the news said:

"Mr. Zangwill, we want from you a history of all the famous trials you can call to mind for our paper."

"Indeed?" said Mr. Zangwill. "I think I can prepare that for you. Come to see me in three or four days, and I will have it ready."

"We want it now," objected the newspaper man. "We want to print it in our paper tomorrow morning."

"But you surely don't expect me to quote you dates and facts out of my mind on the spur of the moment, do you?" asked Mr. Zangwill in astonishment. "Such a thing is out of reason."

"I'm sorry, but it's the only way we can make use of it," replied the newspaper man firmly. Mr. Zangwill thought a moment and then asked if he could have my stenographer for a short time. He was called in, and Zangwill dictated to him then and there a two column resume of all the famous trials of history, from Sauronara down, and quoted every important date and historical feature connected with each.—From "Israel Zangwill," by George C. Tyler, in Bohemian.

The Crowning Blow.

"Mothers and nurses have devised and invented many ways of procuring obedience and correct behavior from their little charges," said a park policeman. "The familiar 'boy man' is still employed, but the times change and the people with them. The last fine day, when the park was filled with mothers and nurses, I heard a new way of appealing to the love or fear of a child. A stylishly dressed young woman leading an irrepressible youngster, after making all sorts of threats and promises without effect, said, 'Child, child, you give me wrinkles under my eyes'."—New York News.

PIGEON POINTERS.

Some Hints to Breeders of the Little Feathered Beauties.

The following valuable hints on pigeon rearing are clipped from Poultry Success:

Birds bred from good foundation stock will show their good qualities for several generations to come.

Charcoal is one of the necessities that pigeons must have, and granulated charcoal is the best, as it is free from dirt and dust and uniform in size. This should be in every loft.

Too much attention cannot be given the birds at this season of the year, the molting time. Some call it the "dying time." A well balanced ration, cleanliness and ventilation are necessary.

Keep your coop free from feathers. Examine some of them and you will find lice and mites. Burn them and lessen your trouble.

Don't tend your birds on the installment plan and say there is nothing in the business.

Common sense, care and attention is the only road that leads to success, and then you find some thorns on the way-side.

Why of course you are going to exhibit that pair of birds at your local show, and if they win a place send them to another.

Remember the pigeon breeder who has spent ten or fifteen years in perfecting a strain of birds cannot sell them at low prices. Get the best from reliable breeders and you will be better satisfied one year from now.

Do not be led astray by some of the literature put on the market by some squab company. Remember the squab business must be learned largely by experience. Better start with six pairs than 600.

Some people rush into the squab business, thinking fabulous sums can be quickly realized. Remember, it takes years of experience and judicious handling to make a success of the business.

Bowel trouble in pigeons is usually the result of improper feeding, filthy water and crowding.

In the breeding of pigeons it is well to remember that size is influenced largely by the female.

Don't Put Off.

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COOKING MEAT.

The Proper Methods of Roasting, Broiling and Boiling.

If housewives understood more fully the processes of broiling, roasting and boiling, there would be less complaint of tough, tasteless meat. The principles underlying all three methods are identical. The difference lies in the medium employed. In all the object to be attained is to first quickly sear the exterior of the meat, thus coagulating the surface albumen and effectually sealing the juices. The cooking then proceeds more slowly to a finish, the time required being, as a matter of course, upon the size of the cut.

In broiling and in roasting, which are in reality the same, the name depending upon the nature of the piece of meat, this hardening of the exterior is accomplished by exposing the meat to the direct action of the heat, which must be intense enough to sear the surface at once. When it is not, the juices seep out, leaving the meat tasteless and sacrificing its nutritive qualities.

In boiling meat surface coagulation is attained by immersing the meat in boiling water and keeping up the temperature for a minute. One of the preliminary rules of boiling, one which should be indelibly impressed upon every cook, is that water cannot be heated to the proper temperature for boiling (212 degrees) in an open vessel nor in one with an indifferently fitting cover. Another point equal in importance to the first is that when water begins to boil a quicker fire than is absolutely necessary to keep it boiling results merely in wasting the water in the form of steam and so hardening the exterior of the meat as to prevent the heat penetrating to the interior.—Housekeeper.

A HIGH WINDOW.

Artistic and Practical Method of Treating It.

Where there is a high window in a room it generally presents a difficult problem in decoration. There are



TREATMENT FOR HIGH WINDOW.

many ways of meeting the condition, of course, and the illustration presented herewith shows one way that is particularly effective and artistic. A woman whose recessed casement window was too high for an ordinary window seat had the carpenter build two steps and put the seat on top with the above satisfactory result.

Encourage His Hobbies.

Women would find men much easier tethered to their own fancies if they would encourage their husbands in some peculiar hobby, and forgive the little extra trouble the brushing up afterward gives them. The encouraging of a hobby certainly implies self sacrifice on the part of the wife, but, if she is wise, she will give her "man" a corner of the home as his own den, where he can bestow his properties, make as much litter as he chooses and work out his leisure in the pursuit of his harmless hobby.

Perhaps it may take him many hours to turn a soap box into a corner cupboard, but do not laugh at the work of art when it is finished. Praise it rather. It is better for a man to do such things in his old hours than attend a horse race, bet, drink and lose his situation. His example, too, will lessen the labor in the training of your family, for his eye will be on the young people, and they will in "helping father" learn to find home the most blessed spot on earth.

Fitting Waist Linings.

When fitting the waist lining pin the front edges together to form a seam toward the outside, being careful to have them even at the top. A seam of three-eighths of an inch is allowed at each side of the front, and only this much should be taken up in pinning. A certain indication that too much alteration has been made or that it has been made on the wrong seam, is when the grain of the lining material pulls out of shape. The pattern is planned to have the grain of the goods run in the lines that will best fit in to the figure. For this reason every section is marked with a line of small perforations, and in cutting the lining these perforations must follow a lengthwise thread of the material.

AN INSIDIOUS DISEASE.

One of the worst features of kidney trouble is that it is an insidious disease and before the victim realizes his danger he may have a fatal malady. Take Foley's Kidney Cure at the first sign of trouble as it corrects irregularities and prevents Bright's disease or diabetes. T. E. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

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R. L. SABIN, Trustee.

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