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MAJOR JONES'S COURTSHIP.

THE CHRISTMAS PRESENT THAT WAS TO BE KEPT FOR A LIFETIME.

Christmas is over, and the thing is done did! You know I told you I was gwine to bring Miss Mary up to the chalk on Christmas. Well, I done it, s'fiek as a whistler; though it come mighty nigh bein a serious business. But I'll tell you about the whole circumstance.

Christmas Eve I put on my new suit, and shaved my face as slick as a smooth iron, and after tea went over to old Miss Stallins. As soon as I went into the parlor whar they was all settin around the fire, Miss Caroline and Miss Kesiah both laughed right out.

'There! there!' ses they, 'I told you so! I know'd it would be Joseph.'

'What's I done, Miss Caroline?' ses I.

'You come under little sister's chicken bone, and I do believe she know'd you was comin when she put it over the door.'

'No I didn't—I didn't no such thing, now,' ses Miss Mary, and her face blushed red all over.

'Oh, you needn't deny it,' ses Miss Kesiah, 'you belong to Joseph now, jest as sure as there's any charm in chicken bones.'

I know'd that was a first rate chance to say something, but the dear little creeter looked so sorry and kep blushing so, I couldn't say nothin zackly to the pint! so I tuck a chair and reached up and tuck down the bone and put it in my pocket.

'What are you gwine to do with that old chicken bone now, Major?' ses Miss Mary.

'I'm gwine to keep it as long as I live,' ses I, 'as a Crismus present from the handsomest gal in Georgia.'

When I sed that, she blushed worse and worse.

'Aint you ashamed, Major?' ses she.

'Now you ought to give her a Crismus gift, Joseph, to keep all her life,' ses Miss Caroline.

'Ah,' ses old Miss Stallins, 'when I was a gall we used to hang up our stockings.'

'Why, Mother?' ses all of 'em, 'to say stockings right before—'

Then I felt a little streaked too, cause they was all blushing as hard as they could.

'Eighty-tidy!' ses the old lady—'what monstrous finement to be shore! I'd like to know what harm there is in stockings. People now-a-days in gettin so mealy-mouthed they can't call nothin by its right name, and I don't see as they's any better than the old time people was.'

When I was a gall like you, child, I use to hang up my stockings and git 'em full of presents.'

The galls kep laughin and blushing. 'Never mind,' ses Miss Mary. 'Major's got to give me a Crismus gift—won't you, Major?'

'Oh, yes,' ses I, 'you know I promised you one.'

'But I didn't mean that,' ses she.

'I've got one for you, whar I want you to keep all your life, but it would take a two-bushel bag to hold it,' ses I.

'Oh, that's the kind,' ses she.

'But will you promise to keep it as long as you live?' ses I.

'Certainly I will, Major.'

'Monstrous finement now-a-days—old people don't know nothin about pelliteness,' said old Miss Stallins, jest gwine to sleep with her nittin in her lap.

'Now you hear that, Miss Caroline,' ses I. 'She ses she'll keep it all her life.'

'Yes, I will,' ses Miss Mary—but what it is?'

'Never mind,' ses I, 'you hang up a bag big enough to hold it and you'll find out what it is, when you see it in the mornin.'

Miss Caroline winked at Miss Kesiah, and then whispered to her—then they both laughed and looked at me mischievous as they could. They spicioned something.

'You'll be shore to give it to me now, if I hang up a bag,' ses Miss Mary.

'And promise to keep it,' ses I.

'Well, I will, cause I know that you wouldn't give me nothin, that wasn't worth keepin.'

They all agreed they would hang up a bag for me to put Miss Mary's Crismus present in, on the back porch, and about ten o'clock I took em good evin and went home.

I sot up till midnight, and when they was all gone to bed I went softly into the back gate, and went up to the porch, and thar, shore enough was a great big meal bag hangin to the jice. It was monstrous unhandy to git to back out. So I sot some chairs on top of a bench and got hold of the rope and let myself down into the bag; but jest as I was gettin in, it swung again the chairs, and down they went with a terrible racket; but nobody didn't wake up but Miss Stallin's old cur dog, and here he come rippin and tearin through the yard like rath, and round and round he went tryin to find whar was the matter. I scrooch'd down in the bag and didn't breathe louder nor a kitten, for fear he'd find me out, and after a while he quit barkin.'

The wind began to blow boominable cold, and the old bag kep turnin round and swingin so it made me sea-sick as the mischief. I was afraid to move for fear the rope would break and let me fall, and thar I sot with my teeth rattlin like I had the ager. It seemed like it would never come daylight, and I do believe if I didn't love Miss Mary so powerful I would froze to death; for my heart was the only spot that felt warm, and it didn't beat more'n two ticks a minit, only when I thought how she would be suppressed in the mornin, and then it went in a canter. Biemby the old dog come up on the porch and begun to smell about the bag, and then he barked like he thought he'd treed something. 'Bow! wow! wow!' ses he. Then he'd smell again, and try to git up to the bag. 'Git out!' ses I, very low, for fear the galls might hear me. 'Bow! wow!' ses he. Be gone you bonnable fool,' ses I, and I felt all over in spits, for I spected every minute he'd nip me, and what made it worse, I didn't know whar abouts he'd take hold. 'Bow! wow! wow!' Then I tried coaxin—'Come here, good fellow,' ses I, and whistled a little to him, but it wasn't no use. Thar he stood and kep up his everlasting whinin and barkin, all night. I couldn't tell when daylight was breaking, only by the chickens crowin, and I was monstrous glad to hear em, for if I had to stay thar one hour more, I don't believe I'd got out of that bag alive.

Old Miss Stallins come out fast, and as soon as she seed the bag, ses she:

'What on yeath has Joseph went and put in that bag for Mary? I'll lay it's a yearlin or some livin animal, or Bruin wouldn't bark at it so.'

She went in to call the galls, and I sot thar, shiverin all over so I couldn't hardly speak if I tried to—but I didn't say nethin. Biemby they all come running out on the porch.

'My goodness! what is it?' ses Miss Mary.

'Oh, it's alive!' ses Miss Kesiah, 'I seed it move.'

'Call Cato, and make him out the rope,' ses Miss Caroline, 'and let's see what it is. Come here, Cato, and git this bag down.'

'Don't hurt it for the world,' ses Miss Mary.

Cato untied the rope that was round the jice, and let the bag down easy on the floor, and I tumbled out all covered with corn meal from head to foot.

'Goodness gracious!' ses Miss Mary, 'if it aint the Major himself!'

'Yes,' ses I, 'and you know you promised to keep my Crismus present as long as you lived.'

The galls laughed themselves almost to death, and went to brushin off the meal as fast as they could, sayin they was gwine to hang that bag up every Crismus till they got husbands, too. Miss Mary—bless her bright eyes—she blushed as beautiful as a mornin glory, and sed she'd stick to her word. She was right out of bed and her hair wasn't combed, and her dress wasn't fix'd at all, but the way she looked pretty was real distractin. I do believe if I was froze stiff, one look at her sweet face, as she stood thar lookin down to the floor with her roguish eyes, and her bright curls fallin all over her snowy

neck, would have foted me too. I tell you what, it was worth hangin in a meal bag from one Crismus to another to feel as happy as I have ever since.

I went home after we had the laugh out, and sot by the fire till I got chaw'd. In the forenoon all the Stallins come over to our house and we had one of the greatest Crismus dinners that ever was seed in Georgia, and I don't believe a happier company ever sot down to the same table. Old Miss Stallins and mother settled the match, and talked over every thing that ever happened in their families, and laughed at me and Mary, and cried about the dead husbands, cause they wasn't alive to see their children married.

It's all settled now, 'cept we haint sot the weddin day. I'd like to have it all over at once, but young gals always like to be engaged a while you know, so I pose I must wait a mouth or so. Mary (she says I mustn't call her Miss Mary now) has been a good deal of trouble and botheration to me; but if you could see her you wouldn't think I ought to grudge a little sefferin to git sich a sweet-little wife.

Your friend, till death,  
JOS. JONES.

Three Warnings.

It was in the days of our grandmothers, when brick ovens were in the land, when Mr. Hubbard bought his house, and brought it very much against his wife's will. It was a lonely house, and reported to be haunted. It was next to a graveyard which, though unused, was not at all cheerful, and which likewise had the reputation of a ghost. However Mr. Hubbard did not believe in ghosts, and was too cheerful to be depressed by warnings, and never intended to be lonely.

'Mrs. Hubbard,' he said, when his wife shook her head at the purchase 'I get it cheap and it is a good one. You will like it when you get there; if you do not, why then talk.'

So the house was bought and into it the Hubbard family went. There was scarce a chance for a ghost to show his face in such a family of boys and girls. There were ten of them, all hony ones.

Having once spoke her mind in regard to the house the lady gave up the point. She scrubbed and scoured, tacked down carpets, put up curtains, and owned that the house was pretty.

As not a ghost appeared for a week she made up her mind that there was no such inhabitants. She even began not to mind the tombstones. So the house got to rights, and baking day came around. In the press of business they had a great deal of baker's bread, and had become tired of it. Mrs. Hubbard never enjoyed setting a batch of bread to rise so much as that which was to be eaten for the first time in the new house.

For I cannot get up an appetite for stuff that nobody knows who had the making of,' said the lady, 'and all puffy and almy besides.'

'So into the oven went the bread and out it came at the proper time, even and brown as loaves could be.

Tommy was four, and when at that age we are prone to believe that anything will bear our weight, Tommy, therefore anxious to inspect the bread tray, swung himself off his feet by clutching the edge of the bread tray, and over it came, loaves, and Tommy and all.

Mrs. Hubbard flew to the rescue, picked up the loaves. All were dusted and put in the tray once more but all one. That lay bottom upward under the table.

'A botherin child, to give me so much trouble,' she said as she crawled under the table to git it. A—a—ah—dear—O—my!

And there on the floor sat the lady wringing her hands and shaking her head. Mr. Hubbard rushed into the house from his work.

'What is the matter, mother?' he gasped.

She pointed at the bottom of the loaf that lay in her lap.

'Look there and see,' she said. 'It is a warning, William; I am going to be taken from you all!'

And he looked and saw a death's head and cross bones as plainly on engraved on the bottom of the loaf as it could be.

'It is an accident,' said Mr. Hubbard. 'Some queer pranks do come your way now.'

But Mrs. Hubbard was in a terrible state, as was natural.

'The story about the haunted house was true,' she said. The spirits have marked the loaf, and I am fearful it is a warning!

'And the loaf was put aside, for even Hubbard did not dare to eat any of it himself.

Mrs. Hubbard got over her fright at last, but the news of the awfully marked loaf spread through B—

and the people came to Hubbard's all the week to see it. It was a death's head and cross bones certainly—every one saw at a glance—but as to its meaning, people differed. Some believed that it was a warning of the approach of death, and some thought that it was a warning by the spirits to frighten the Hubbards away, and get possession of the house all to themselves.

The latter supposition inspired Hubbard's wife with courage. Finally, being a brave woman, she adopted the belief; and when another day arrived for baking put her loaves into the oven once more, prepared for cross bones, and not to be frightened by them.

'The loaves baked as before. They came out brown and crusty as Mrs. Hubbard turned each in her hands. There was no skull and cross bones, but on the last was sundry characters and letters. What no one could tell, until there dropped in for a chat a certain printer of the neighborhood accustomed to read things backward.

'By George,' said he, 'that is curious—r-e-s-u-r-g-a-m—resurgam; that is what it is on the loaf—resurgam.'

'It is what they put on tombs, isn't it?' said the lady.

'Well, yes,' said Mr. Hubbard, being obliged to admit it. 'But it is not so bad as crossbones and skulls.'

Mrs. Hubbard shook her head. 'It's even solumner,' said the little woman, who was not as good a linguist as bread-maker. 'I feel confident, William, that I will soon be resurgam, and what will these dear children do?'

And now that the second loaf was before her eyes, marked even more awfully than before, Mrs. Hubbard grew really pale and thin and lost her cheerfulness.

'I have a presentment,' she said over and over again, 'that the third baking will decide who the warning belongs to. I believe it is meant for me, and time will show. Don't you see how thin I am getting.'

And though Mr. Hubbard laughed he began to be troubled.

The third baking day was one of gloom. Solemnly, as at a funeral, the family gathered round to assist in the drawing.

Five loaves came out markless; but one remained.

Mrs. Hubbard's hand trembled, but she drew it forth. She put it on the tray. She turned it softly about. At last she exposed the lower surface. On it were letters printed backward, plainly enough read this time:

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lamented by  
her large family.

'It's me!' cried Mrs. Hubbard, 'I am to go to-morrow—this is the 1st. I do feel faint, yes I do. It is awful end so sudden.'

And the lady fainted away in the arms of her husband.

The children screamed, the cat mew'd, the dog barked. The oldest boy ran for the doctor. People came flooding into the house. The loaf was examined. Yes there it was—a call to quit the world.

She lay on the bed, bidding goodbye to her family, her strength going fast. She read the bible and tried not to grieve too much. Nobody doubted but that her end was near for people were so superstitious in those days.

They had been up all night with good Mrs. Hubbard, and dawn was breaking, and with it she was sure she must go, when clattering up the road and up to the house came a man who alighted. He rattled the knocker and rushed in. Up the stairs he rushed to Mrs. Hubbard's room and bolted into it.

Every one stared at him as he took off his hat.

'Parding,' said he breathlessly, 'I heard Mrs. Hubbard was dying, and she'd warning on her baking. I came over to explain. You see I was sexton of a church here a few years ago,

and I know all about it. You need not die from fear yet madam, for it's neither spirits nor demons, nor yet a warning. What makes the loaves is old lady Finkle's tomb stone. I took it for an oven bottom, seeing there were no survivors and bricks were dear. So you see how it was and I am sorry you have been so scared.'

'Nobody said a word. The doctor walked to the window.

'William,' said she to her husband, 'the first thing you do get a new bottom for that oven.'

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Westward Daily.

Table with columns: Time—Eastern Standard, No. 1., No. 2., No. 3. Rows: Lv Norfolk, Lv Suffolk, Ar Petersburg, Lv Petersburg, Lv Suffolk, Ar Lynchburg, Lv Lynchburg, Lv Liberty, Lv Roanoke, Ar Big Spring, Lv Chesapeake, Lv Marion, Lv Appomattox, Ar Bristol.

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Eastward Daily.

Table with columns: Time—Eastern Standard, No. 2., No. 4. Rows: Leave Bristol, Lv Abingdon, Lv Marion,

WILLIAM C. PENDLETON, Editor and Proprietor.

ONLY LIVING ISSUE.

The Hon. Abraham S. Hewitt, of New York, and a member of Carlisle's Committee of Ways and Means has just published a letter in the Albany Argus in which asserts that the tariff question is "the only living issue between the two great political parties which divide the country."

If this be true, and we concur with Mr. Hewitt, why is it that he is a Democrat and not a Republican? It must be for the reason that the two parties occupy very different positions upon the great tariff question, the only one that divides the two national parties. To make it a "living issue" there must be an essential difference in the positions occupied thereon. Can there be an essential difference if both are for protection or for free trade? Not at all. To make a "living issue," one must be for "protection" and the other for "free trade. The declaration of Mr. Hewitt, who is a member of the Ways and Means Committee is a sufficient acknowledgment of this fact. Strange to say, however, Mr. Hewitt says that he is in favor of import duties for the sake of protection. That is precisely what the Republican party as a party is for, and therefore he is in accord with the Republican party as a party in the position it takes upon "the only living issue."

If the Republican party as a political organization is in favor of import duties for the sake of protection, the only way to make the tariff question "the only living issue" in the presidential election of 1884 is to find some party that as a party is in favor of not having import duties for the sake of protection. Does that party exist? Mr. Hewitt's admission proves that it does exist; and that it is the Democratic party, which as a party is opposed to import duties for the sake of protection, otherwise the tariff question cannot be "the only living issue between the two great political parties that divide the country. If Mr. Hewitt's declaration is true, and we believe no intelligent thinking man will deny it, there is every probability that in the national election of 1884 men will vote with reference to their views on the tariff question, disregarding old issues, prejudices and sentiments. The national parties are likely to take a decided stand upon the question. The people do not want to see them in a doubtful or uncertain position. If they should both be for "protection" in the true sense of the term or free trade "the only living issue" will be removed from the issue and men can be governed solely by personal preference; for what else should or could influence them when according to the views of Mr. Hewitt "the only living issue" will be removed by both parties taking the same stand upon it.

The coming ninety days will be expended as foolishly by the Fugate Legislature as were the first thirty days of its session the people will begin to wonder what has become of all the intellectuality and patriotism that was said to exist in the ranks of Bourbon-Fundamentalism.

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DEMOCRATS' MONTHLY for January, 1884, is an unusually entertaining number, and exceedingly rich in illustrations. Among the articles of interest may be mentioned "Our Thames," "Sentiment and Science in Philanthropy," by the Rev. O. B. Frothingham; "How We Live in New York," by Jenny June, and "The Home of Dorothy Vernon." The interesting serial "The Shores of Nothing" is continued, and "The World's Progress" and other departments are full, useful, and varied. The frontispiece is a fine steel engraving of Sir Frederick Leighton's celebrated painting, "Wedded."

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The initial number of Godey for 1884 is unusually attractive. Everything in it is good, the fashion plates engraving's, fashion notes, and all the contributed matter. It has a story by Marion Harland and one by Christian Reid, together entertaining stories.

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Judge Lunsford Lewis Wedded to a Tennessee Belle.

HAPPY HEARTS IN MEMPHIS! SOCIAL CIRCLE—THE BRIDESMAIDS AND GROOMSMEN—JUDGE RICHARDSON PRESENT.

The Memphis Appeal of Thursday, which should have reached Richmond Friday night, brings the following account of the social event of the season in that city—the marriage of Judge L. L. Lewis, president of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia, to Miss Janie Looney:

For several weeks the social circles of Memphis have been busy discussing and preparing for a notable matrimonial event which unites two distinguished families of Tennessee and Virginia.

All who visited the neighborhood of the Second Presbyterian church at the hour named in this invitation discovered that some event of special interest was about to take place. Carriages blocked the streets and a constant and a constant stream of invited friends were pouring into the church. Long before the hour announced for the ceremony the large and commodious edifice was thronged by the friends of the contracting parties. The weather without was cold, bleak and inauspicious, but there was a warmth and a wealth of light, flowers, beauty and music within. The ushers were Walker Ays, Henderson Beard, Elias Porter, S. Blackburn, Walter Goodman, John M. Carrin, W. B. Griffing, and John Jones, who courteously discharged the duty assigned them. It was nearly an hour after the time set before the bridal party arrived, preceded by Col. R. F. Looney and wife. As they entered the church the organ, at which Prof. Winkler presided, pealed out its majestic melody. The altar was tastefully decorated. From either side of the dais rose spiral columns of cedar, which were bent over so that the tops met together in the center, forming a beautiful arch. From this depended two white doves, with wings outstretched; a rim of delicate crimson flowers surrounding the letters "L. L." and beneath this hung a floral pyramid composed of the rarest and most costly exotics. The atmosphere was laden with sweet perfume, and wherever the eyes wandered it rested on luxuriant flowers in full bloom.

The bridal party entered the church in the following order: Miss Mamie Looney and Judge R. A. Richardson, of Virginia; Miss Lou Looney and H. M. Neely; Miss Marie Brown of Pulaski, and J. E. Ray; Miss Kate Thompson and T. C. Looney; Miss Sallie Looney and Mr. Hughes, of Virginia. The ushers had already taken position on the stage, and when joined by the attendants the whole formed a beautiful tableau. The bride and groom took their places in front of the altar, when the ceremony was performed by the Rev. N. M. Long, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Latimer, of the Second Presbyterian Church, and all united in expressing the opinion that they had never heard a more beautiful and impressive service. Every seat in the church was occupied, while many stood in the aisles, all eager to obtain a glimpse of the contracting party and their attendants.

Never was a fashionable wedding attended by so large a concourse of friends more admirably conducted. Miss Janie Looney is the eldest daughter of Colonel R. F. Looney, who has been identified with the growth and prosperity of Memphis for over thirty years, and who has, of late years, amassed a fortune by operations in speculation. The bride was born and reared in this city. She was elegantly attired and looked queenly and beautiful at the altar. The virtues of her mind are equal to the beauty of her face, and she will leave an aching void in the social circle of Memphis. But her departure will not cause the hearts of her many friends to beat with less warmth and affection for her, as she will carry with her the earnest wishes of all for her happiness in her new home. The heart of Miss Janie Looney has ever been a fountain of living sympathy. The aim of her young life has been to cause smiles to be born here sorrow was brooding; and it is hoped that, after filling the duties of her wifely trusts, her eyes will open on the "beautiful beyond" radiant with the lustre of her bridal freshness, which all the darkness of death and all the damps of the grave can never extinguish.

The groom, the Hon. Lunsford L. Lewis, is an elegant gentleman, and so higher compliment could be paid him than to say he is worthy of his lovely bride. He is one of the judges of the Supreme Court of Virginia, and is said to be a lawyer of fine ability. He is descended from a historic family of Virginia. His personal appearance is very attractive, and by his affability and gentlemanly deportment during his short and brief visits to Memphis he has made many friends and a fine impression on all who have had the pleasure of meeting him. As a judge of the Supreme Court of Virginia he has shown the ability of a jurist whose decisions and opinions place him in the front rank of his profession. The happy couple first met in Virginia a year or so ago, and formed an admiration for each other which ripened into love and marriage. After the ceremony the bridal party returned to the residence of the bride's father, where they received the congratulations of their friends, and where a sumptuous repast had been prepared for the occasion. At 11 o'clock the bride and groom, accompanied by many friends took carriages for the Memphis and Charleston depot, whence they departed for Richmond, Va. This ended a social event made conspicuous by uniting two distinguished families, and thereby strengthening the bonds of friendship which have ever subsisted between Tennessee and the grand old Commonwealth of Virginia.

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