

MR. JONES IN AN EMERGENCY.

Except for Single Unfortunate Incident He Was Just the Man to Deal with It.

When Jones reached home the other night he found Mrs. Jones huddled up in a corner of the sofa weeping, and about four inches of water on the kitchen floor.

The Joneses hadn't been married very long, so he contented himself with a general remark concerning the nonresourcefulness of women and asked how it happened.

"The water pipe under the sink burst," Mrs. Jones told him.

Jones smiled pityingly, walked deliberately to the kitchen closet and produced a wrench. Opening the cellar door with a confident air he descended to the region below.

After bumping at least seven obstacles he finally reached the wall and reached out for the cock which he had noticed in a pipe which traversed the wall. He applied his wrench and shut it off.

Putting himself on the back for being able to cope with an emergency he started back upstairs. Just half-way up the steps he bumped into his wife.

Mrs. Jones was the first to speak. "O, dear," she said, "what in the world did you turn off the gas for?"—Philadelphia Times.

NOT THE SPEAKER'S PROVINCE

Orator to Follow Was Proper Person to Comply with Request of Enthusiast.

Preachers of all denominations occupied chairs upon the platform. They were giving their voices and influence to the overthrow of a political boss. The Presbyterian clergyman had the floor and most vigorously attacked the enemy. He delivered some fierce, telling thrusts, and the audience was with him. The boss received some cruel jabs.

"That's right, soak him!" encouraged a man with a stentorian voice who had standing room in the rear.

As the clergyman warmed up to his subject the interrupting "soak him!" came from the rear with greater power and frequency.

The speaker paused. He was not irritated, but gently threw the audience into a good-natured hysteria by saying:

"The intentions of the gentleman in the rear are good, but wholly inopportune and ill advised. If he'll kindly reserve his comments for the next speaker, Brother Herrick of the Baptist church, he'll be accommodated, no doubt."

Salt Seasoned Timber.

A workman was packing salt about a pile of timber. "Seasoning timber with salt, eh? It sounds like a joke, doesn't it?" he said. "It is often done, though, especially in ship timber.

Ships built of salt-seasoned timber get a better insurance rate. Some very rich woods are seasoned in boiling oil.

That's an ancient and costly process.

A new dodge is electrical seasoning.

With strong electric shocks the sap is driven out of the wood and replaced

by a solution of borax and resin. The scheme is cheap; not half as good as salt."

True Man Shows His Worth.

Ford: Titles of honor add not to his worth who is an honor to his title.

JUDGMENT OF HUMAN NATURE.

But One Infallible Way by Which Test Can Be Made, According to One Writer.

Some people claim to make a study of human nature. They will tell you they can read character at sight—know faces and what they index. Let us grant all this to be so—maybe they can. Then again, maybe they can't—they only think they can. Faces don't always tell the whole story. Behind the frown and the knitted brow may lurk a big heart and a soul full of healing humor. Behind the easy smile may lurk the worst old wolf of a temper you ever saw. Often you will face a face so closed up you wouldn't know it for a cent, itching to subscribe heavily to your half-dozen benevolent schemes in your inside pocket. Then again a face so bland you think you could say "Brickettbit" to it, and see it cough up spittle, like the donkey in the fairy tale, will cough up nothing. A man tells me that to study human nature in the wood you need to be a person of little influence, and to go around with a subscription paper for some religious or charitable object. Then you find out. Because you have no personal influence the cause looks like the giver (or the non-giver) right smack in the face, and the nature of the person concerned will be as evident as an open-faced watch. Whether much, little, or nothing be given matters little, but the spirit matters a whole lot—so the informant tells us.

TOUCHES THEIR TENDER SPOT.

Most Men Have Weakness for Being Photographed on Horseback, Says Observant Photographer.

A young man went out with a camera one morning not long ago and took seven snap shots of early morning horseback riders. He sent proofs of the pictures that turned out well to the men who were photographed and every one of the men sent him an order to finish up a few of the pictures.

"Of course they did," said a more experienced amateur photographer when he heard about it. "A man will always buy a picture of himself on a horse—unless he's an unusually poor rider and looks bad on a horse. No matter how modest a man is, you catch him at the one time when you'd be most likely to be interested in him."

Woke Up with a Thirst.

Queen Elizabeth of England is reported to have drunk a quart of ale every day with her breakfast.

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JUST CASE OF WANDERLUST.

Family Starting to Git Were Properly Sure They Must Land Up Somewhere Eventually.

In the smoking car on a southern railroad, where they had sat up all night, was a family consisting of husband, wife and five children. They were rubbing sleep from their eyes and wrangling with each other when a man entered the car and espied them and advanced to say to the man:

"Howdy, Joe—I'm s'prised to see you."

"Howdy, Tom?"

"Where you-all gwine?"

"Down to Harbor Pint, I reckon."

"But I thought you-all lived up at Cherry Hill?"

"We did."

"What you-all totin' away from there fur?"

"Dunno."

"What you-all gwine to Harbor Pint fur?"

"Dunno. Jest thought we'd go."

"Oh, I see. You-all thought to get?"

"I reckon. Yes, thought we'd git, and we pulled up and started a gittin', and if we keep on long 'nuff we sure must git sumwhar' or other."

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