

**JOLLY OLD UNCLE JOSH.**

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know that, but I suspect it won't be long before this young man begins to take an interest in matters of paregoric and — "U-n-c-l-e!" "Well go in anyway, Polly may find some diet articles she wants." Sure enough she purchased combs, brushes, face powders and ounces upon ounces of fine imported perfumes.

"Don't forget," added Uncle Josh, "to come here with your prescriptions as Vaughan and his clerks are competent pharmacists and use pure and wholesome drugs." He then invited his lords up to Vaughan's soda fount and ordered the thing to be kept a sizzin' till they had all they could drink.

"Let's see—I promised you a gold watch, didn't I," queried Uncle Josh of Polly, "and M. H. Jones' jewelry store is the place to get it." Thereupon the old man gallantly acquitted himself of the promise and then directed Polly's attention to the superior stock of silverware carried by this house. "There is no other such house in town," said the old man, "and I will guarantee the quality to be the very best. Pick out your family clock while here," he added, "Mr. Jones carries a magnificent line. Don't forget another fact," he continued, "if ever you unfortunately need optical goods, this is the place to come, and say, Charley, when that old 'turnip' of yours breaks down remember Mr. Jones can fix her up good as new."

At this point, somewhat to the confusion of Charles, the old man indulged in a half serious criticism of his personal appearance. "You are decidedly off style for a townsman," said he, "and we'd better go to T. J. Lambe's clothing emporium." After Charles had fitted himself in a suit, from the piles of garments that cover the tables of this extensively stocked establishment, Uncle Josh declared: "Now you look like a newly married man." Before leaving, having found goods and prices irresistible, Charles also invested in a complete outfit of gent's furnishings, from the late style hat to a dozen shirts. This house is not to be undersold in the state.

"By the way," remarked Uncle Josh, as they reached the street. I must run up to the First National bank and get another check book. Come with me and get acquainted with Leo D. Heardt, the cashier, for of course you do business with them and it is always more pleasant to be personally acquainted with the people you do business with. The bank is as solid as the base of the universe, and has a strong working capital. You will find them ever ready to extend any accommodations compatible with business principles."

While Uncle Josh was pondering where to go next, Polly suddenly asked: "Uncle, where can I find the leading millinery establishment?" "We will go to Mrs. Ada Smith," remarked Uncle Josh, "who, by the way, has on hand one of the completest stocks of millinery to be found in the city. You can get what you want there, the latest styles and lowest prices being her motto. Mrs. Smith has the experience which guarantees that when you have purchased of her there is a satisfaction of knowing your work has been done by a competent artist." In a few hours there never was a happier girl than Polly.

"Oh!" ejaculated Polly, as they halted before a show window, "what a perfectly lovely slipper." "Yes," said Uncle Josh, "D. Pridden's stock can't be equalled in style and extent in this section. Go in, look it over and get acquainted." It might have been policy not to have extended that invitation, had not Uncle Josh known what wise economy it is to trade at Pridden's, for Polly found goods and prices so seductive that she purchased an outfit from a comfortable house slipper to a handsome walking boot. Charley invested in gent's fine shoes, while Uncle Josh indulged in a stout brogan. No one needing footwear can resist the inducements offered at Pridden's.

"By the way," exclaimed Uncle Josh, with a parental air, "the next thing to look after is the lumber for those improvements which are absolutely necessary. Come with me and I'll introduce you to D. B. Cameron, manager at Cameron's lumber yard who is the principal dealer in that line here. He carries the most complete line of building material in the country—everything, from the sills for the foundation to the

shingles for the roof, including doors, and windows, mouldings, etc. It is a pleasure to deal with Mr. Cameron for his greatest aim is to give satisfaction to every customer.

Woman like, Polly was looking out for number one, and here she interrupted with "Oh, say, Uncle, where can I go for dry goods? This dress is hardly suitable, I must admit." "Well, my girl, if you want to select from the most extensively stocked establishment in the city, I will direct you to Ellis, Stone & Co., who carry a stock of dress goods that for variety and real value is seldom seen outside the largest metropolitan cities. They carry all the latest weaves in fashionable dress goods and you are sure to be guided right in your selections. You will find Ellis, Stone & Co. pleasant to deal with, and his employees polite and expert, while the prices can not be duplicated. Later we'll look at their mattings. They lead in this line also.

"Yes, and I must have an album, Uncle Josh," exclaimed Polly, "and—" "Yes, and a Bible with a reasonably big family register," interrupted the old man, "so we'll go down to Gattis & Son's book store. You'll find many articles indispensable for the parlor as well as the library there, and as for variety, Gattis & Son have an unequalled stock. So here Polly's purchases included miscellaneous books, fancy stationery, all the latest agonies, bric-a-brac of all manner for the centre-table; house decorations and such. Polly remarked to the generous old uncle, "Why, I don't know when to quit buying. This firm sells such nice goods, and so cheap, too."

"And in the matter of insurance," he continued, "that is of importance. You will want a risk on your new house, and fire lightning and tornado insurance on your farm property; then you can't do more sensible or satisfactory thing than to give your wife a paid up policy in life insurance and take out accident for yourself. My friends J. Southgate & Son, not only have lines of the solidist and best companies, but they are expert and trustworthy underwriters. They have, by far, the largest local agency in the state, writing all branches of insurance with more than thirty of the largest American and English companies." The insurance was placed with Southgate & Son.

"I would like to make you acquainted with Dr. J. C. Brown, my dentist friend, too," said the old man. "If you ever have to supplement your natural teeth. Ugh! Don't you mention false teeth to me," cried Polly. "I'll never carry 'pearly lies' in my mouth if I go toothless." "Oh, as for that," laughed Uncle Josh, "if you'll only consult a good dentist in time, you can save the catastrophe. Dr. Brown, for instance, is wonderfully expert in saving natural teeth, and he has the skill and every mechanical appliance necessary to do his work with the least discomfort to his patrons."

At this point Uncle Josh suggested a resort to some place of refreshment.

At the refreshment table the old man waxed philosophical. "Never neglect your larder," said he. "That important adjunct to house-keeping controls masculine temper. To that end you must patronize a grocer on whom you can depend for honest goods. Through a long term of years I have found A. H. Proctor perfectly reliable. You will find him a careful dealer, always full stocked with every possible thing in the line of staple and fancy groceries, fresh and first class, no shelf worn goods there—while the prices are down to brass tacks.

"I declare, Uncle," exclaimed Charley, "There goes a handsome phaeton; I must have one like that for the girl." "Get it right here," said the old man. "You see, C. P. Howerton conducts a carriage repository here that for variety and excellence of stock can not be beaten. He carries surrys, carriages, buggies and phaetons of leading makes and styles, and is satisfied with a moderate profit, too." Polly was soon the possessor of a C. P. Howerton carriage, which is undoubtedly the best.

"As you are going to keep a horse," remarked Uncle Josh, "you'll need harness, and Jno. M. Wyatt is the boss horse milliner. He uses only first-class material and gives personal supervision to the minutest detail of manufacture. There is nothing in this line that cannot be had of him—heavy and light, single and double, plain and fancy, work and buggy harness. He has all them in stock, besides every other kind of turf goods imaginable." After a visit to the harness store Charley said he thought "if a man couldn't get satisfied it would be his own fault," and he expressed himself pleased with Mr. Wyatt's candor and fair-

"How about the plumber, Uncle?" inquired Polly. "You remember you said you would see somebody for that." "Jesse so, Jesse so; and we shan't have any botcher to do our work either. I go see W. F. Dowd & Co., the practical plumbers. We've got to have gas and water pipes put in, a hot water heater besides other sanitary fixin's. Dowd & Co. is the very firm to do the work. They understand thoroughly and observe closely all the hygienic laws guarding against dangers from sewer gases. You can always feel safe about the house when practical plumbers, as I know W. F. Dowd & Co to be, have done the work!"

"Now, young man, let me give you a pointer," remarked the generous old uncle. "Do not understand me to say that clothes makes the man, but I do affirm that clean and spotless linen makes the nice appearing man. Now in this connection I am happy to inform you that the Durham Steam Laundry is one of the best in the state. Polly will want her lace curtains washed some time, and it's a ticklish job you know, but this laundry is so very careful that the most delicate fabrics are washed without the slightest injury and at nominal cost, too. Mr. Deelman, the manager, will see that your collars, cuffs and shirts are made white as snow and put on a lookin' glass finish.

At this point Polly said something about ice. "Speaking of ice," replied Uncle Josh, "that reminds me of W. T. Saunders. Keep cool, keep cool, but follow me and you will leave an order for your summer supply. My favorite ice dealer is Saunders. He sells the Kenebeck ice, clear as crystal and solid as a rock. And what is more he serves his customers with promptness and dispatch, giving a fellow the full worth of his money and I know just what I'm talking about." Mr. Saunders took the order for their summer supply.

"Law Sakes," suddenly exclaimed Uncle Josh, "all this trading and shopping round town has caused me to forget one of the greatest essentials to future existence. I have heard it said that newly married folks could live on love and scenery, but an old man of experience knows better. Now to locate a meat dealer where you can get fresh wholesome meats at all times, J. W. Hutchins is the man to supply you. He is popular with everybody who is particular to have the best. The reason for this all is because he is careful in the selection of stock and get the freshest of everything and keeps nothing but the very best. To keep your 'Hubby' in a good humor buy meat of J. W. Hutchins every time, Polly."

"Now," cried the old gentleman, "now for a picture of this crowd, in good old fashion, we'll go to the photograph gallery, and W. Shelburn has a first-class one. His pictures are wonderful in fidelity and finish. I want one full-sized photo for my study and some small ones for my friends. Shelburn is famous for successful enlarging, and I want to give you a life-size representation of 'yours truly.' He has the soul of a true artist; all his work is a labor of love in which he will not stop short of perfection."

En route for their home the gentlemen called at the RECORDER office. "You'll want the news every week," said Uncle Josh, "and as this is the favorite paper of this section, I'll subscribe."

Upon rejoicing Polly she began to volubly express her thanks. "You have bought us everything," she exclaimed. "Only one thing," replied Uncle Josh, reflectively, "but I can remedy that. Royall & Borden the furniture men always have a nice line of them and you can get one whenever you want it; I'll pay for the best." "Why," exclaimed Polly with great surprise, "Uncle, what can it be?" "Well, it's a b—" But Polly had fainted.

ROXBORO, N. C. April 21.—Special—Between Saturday afternoon and this morning, the Farmer's Bank was robbed of all money on hand. Robbers entered through the window, opened the safe and took the money and then closed it as it had been. There is no clue whatever, but the general impression is it was done by some expert.

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