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SAM JONES IN CHARLOTTE.

Charlotte Observer, 9th.

Sam Jones was at the Chautauqua yesterday, and since the speaker was Sam Jones it would be redundant to say there was a large crowd. Heretofore the speakers have stood on the platform at one end of the floral hall. But Sam Jones stood on the rostrum in the midst, his audience all around him.

He was in his very best trim. That gleam and glitter in his eyes, that smirk that heralded every funny thought, the droll, deliberate method of delivery would have made the lecture worth the money to a deaf man. His white vest was buttoned at top and bottom and sprawled open between. His stubbun, grayish hair, the crop-d-off moustache, the broad, square face and head were in perfect harmony with the character of his thinking. What difference if you had heard him say the same things before? You would like to hear him say them again to-day, and they would make the tears of laughter flow as freely as ever.

"Are you going to hear Sam Jones," asked one man of another in a barber shop.

"No, I'm a little busy, and I'll just admit that I'm a flop eared hound and stay in my store."

There is too much whiskey being drunk. "But, Brother Jones," says a citizen, "I've been taking a dram for 40 years, and it's never hurt me at all."

"Well, don't you know," Sam replies, "that you can't hurt a hog."

He played a white on Paul's advice to Timothy to take a little for his stomach's sake. One or two ladies fell to blushing furiously when he remarked, "Judging from the epidemic of prescriptions here, there's a lot of you with a chronic case of the belly-ache. You needn't be blushing, sister. That's a good Bible word. 'Oh, you say, 'Brother Jones, if you'll talk aintance I can follow you better.' Sister, if you get in the water, don't be afraid. Your head will float."

He took a fall out of the little preachers and little scientists who try to reconcile religion and science. You can't reconcile them 'no more 'n you can make a yegglin' calf wait on your table. He won't pass it; he'll spill it."

A little scientist told Sam once that a man has no soul. "We have taken a man and cut him up and analyzed him, blood, bones, hair and toenails, and we couldn't find any soul."

"You tried too big a thing," Sam told him. "Take that egg there; it's about your size."

He analyzed the egg and named its elements and said that was all there was to it. "What else is there?"

"You haven't given me its gender," said Sam. "Will it be a hen or a rooster?"

Sam doesn't want his mule to be kicking such a little bullet-headed scientist on the head, because it will hurt his mule's feet.

"I'll give any man \$10," cried the orator, "to tell me who the father of Melchisedick was!"

He asked a sister once if she was proud of her husband.

"What do you want to know for?"

"I just wanted to know," Sam replied, "if you were easy made proud?"

"There is some '13 sister here who will say, 'Well sir, Sam Jones is a black-guard, and there ain't anything in what he says now.' She's like a fellow who told me there wa'n't anything in opiac. Says I, 'Will you take 30 grains of it if I give it to you?' He said 'yes,' and took it. Next time I saw him I said, 'Brother, is there anything in opiac?' 'Yes,' he says. 'But there ain't anything in me.'"

So far from having nothing in it, his lectures, he said, are like the little boy's father, who was a doctor. He had a patient who possessed no lights or liver, but 3 doses of medicine gave him a liver as big as a washub and electric lights.

But after all there are good people in Mecklenburg. They have good blood in them, but they can't fly yet. "I saw one woman try to fly, and she hit the sawdust. She made one flop."

These people have never been anywhere or seen anything, is the trouble with them. An old woman went from here to Gastonia to see her father. It was her first trip on the train.

"Did you enjoy the trip?"

"No," she said. "I didn't see anything but a haystack and hit agwize the other way."

This was the end of the lecture, but his announcements were just as funny. "Brother Hannon will speak on dynamite, and he'll tell you what dynamite is. He'll inform you like the negro informed a man who asked him, 'What makes your mule limp?' 'Ca'ese he's lame.' He announced that his wife's husband will speak to-day.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE

Of a Family Deceived By a Mirage and Lost on Desert.

Washington Times

A pathetic story of an entire family wrecked and lost in the desert is told by George L. Hunter, a Utah mine owner, who contributed a wagon and horse to assist the unfortunates in their extremities, while other miners were equally generous, according to the extent of their possessions.

Manuel Espulviada, his wife and three children, one a child of four years, had set out from Uvada, Utah, to journey by wagon to Searchlight. All went well until after the family left Moapa. Then heavy winds and rains surrounded them and in seeking shelter they lost their road.

For two days the family searched, when, just at sunset on the second day, their hopes arose by E pulviada imagining that he had just made out the outline of a train far off on the horizon. If they could get back to the railroad they knew they would be saved, and, assured that their dilemma was past, they urged their jaded horses, calculating to reach the railroad before morning and find near-by shelter from the day's heat.

Mile after mile they drove. The object Espulviada had described as a train had been swallowed up in the night. He wondered why he did not reach the rails, but only when the flush of morning opened before him a sea of trackless sand on all sides would he admit that he had been deceived and was in a worse plight than ever.

He found himself and family far out on a scorching desert, the sun already above the eastern horizon, and not a sign of shelter in sight. How they pulled through that day, which was blistering hot, the man cannot explain. He and his wife endured the pangs of hunger and suffocation without a murmur, both fearing to touch a drop of the precious supply of water for fear of the children might need it.

Late in the afternoon their hopes were again raised by the sight of a clump of trees and a lake. They could see the surface of the blue sheet of water gulling beneath the breath of wind, and it almost seemed that they could feel the cool breezes.

For fear that they were deceived, he held the 4-year-old child in his arm, and, pointing toward the picture, asked: "What is that over there?"

"Water," was the reply. But the peaceful lake was too ethereal to last, and had soon faded away in rolling billows of heat, which a few minutes afterward looked much like an immense drove of sheep, and Espulviada, in horror, realized that these fascinating pictures before them were but the deceptive work of the heat, and that probably the train which had led him so far was of this same character.

That night they were again caught in a violent storm, which soaked them through, but replenished their water supply, and undoubtedly saved them from perishing of thirst. Next day they kept the children wrapped in rain-soaked blankets as a protection against heat, and that afternoon another electric storm arose, and when at its height the horses became frenzied with fear, and running away, wrecked their wagon.

Only when the wagon was upset and broken and one horse had been so badly injured that it was useless did the runaways stop, and then it was found

that the smallest child was missing. Distracted with grief the father set back afoot to find it, and after wandering aimlessly was found by two miners. They guided Espulviada back to his wrecked wagon, and assisted the family to camp, and were preparing to take upon its hind legs, had started toward him, uttering a wild cry, while its forelegs were outstretched in his direction. He would have shot the creature but was too scared.

Espulviada grew excited when he heard the story, and hardly giving the other two miners time to collect their thoughts he had grabbed the Mexican by the arm and was dragging him toward the desert, exclaiming: "Tell me where you saw my child. Quick tell me." It was a fact that the Mexican had been startled by the child, who, seeing the man, had rushed crying toward him for succor. The Mexican was as diligent as the others in the search when he realized that out there on the desert he had left a lost infant, and his companions had to run to keep up with him as he retraced his steps and soon had the child tight in his arms.

The miners took the family into Ivanpah, where Hunter met them, and a general division of money and provisions took place, the little family leaving for their destination well supplied for the remainder of the trip and with men who knew the road thoroughly to guide them.

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