MR. JONES HAD RED EYE.

AND SO PROMPTLY PULLED A GUN ON MR. FIFER.

Mr. Fifer Works on the New Speedway, and Mr. Jones, So the Witnesses Said, Won't Work Anywhere—Trouble That This State of Affairs Created in Harlem.

Mr. Tom Jones was the defendant. His skin was not so dark as that of the other negroes who appeared in the General Sessions on Wednesday, but the Assistant District Attorney, Mr. Osborne, said "he were tougher 'n any o' 'em.' Mr. Osborne is a Southerner, and had been selected to prosecute Jones because he was familiar with the customs of the Southern negro. He had caused Mr. Jones to be indicted for assault in the third degree because Mr. Jones had pulled a gun on Mr. Rufus Fifer up on the new speedway that is being made. Of course the prosecuting attorney believed that Mr. Jones had no right to go ganning on the new speedway "even though the speedway were bein' made for spo'ting gen'men," as he expressed it.

Recorder Goff was on the bench, and the crowd in the court was principally made up of colored laborers employed on the speedway.

The first witness called for the prosecution was Mr. Fifer, the complainant, an industrious, hard-working country colored man. When asked where he lived, he answered:

"In a bent-over li.tle shanta at de cornah ob One Hundre' Eighty-six street an' Ams'dam abnue."

"Are you from South Carlina?" asked Mr. Osborne.

"Yes, sah—Row-ann county," he answered.

"Near Sal'sbury?"

"'Bout thirteen miles from Salsber."

"Just tell the jury what happened up in your shanty on this parsicular day."

"Well, you honah ob de jury," said Mr. Fifer, "I learnt to work when I were a little chile, an' her worked for my eatin' eber since. When I got de job on de speedway as a member ob de drill specialties, I hired a room in dat shanta from Miss Wells, dat fat lady sittin' yere in court on de orchestra side. Ebery one werkin' up dat way libs alone if he got no ene to lib wif. Dey all cook dere own grub. Like de rest ob 'em I cooked mine. Den comes dat 'ere bully, Jones. He's de laziest niggah I eber knew. Well, you honahs, dat bully jest walked into ma room an' wouldn't go out no mo', only to get whisker. I done nuffin' but work. He done nuffin' but eat an' bulldoze 'round de shanta."

"Why didn't you put him out?"

"Easy ter talk 'bout it, sah, but it would take mo' 'me an' five others. But I got tired ob werkin' for lazy niggahs, an' tole Jones 'bout it. He were playin' he were sick right 'long till dis yere perticikler day. I set down to de table by maself, an' Jones grumbled like he were chock full of little green debbils. He growled in a awful actin voice: 'Boo-oo-oo-oo.' I looked up. 'Boo-oo-oo-oo,' he growled again. I moved ma chair a little back. He looked again and said, like he were de debbil:

"'Is dat all de meat youse gwine ter cook?'

"'Deed 'tis,' said I. An' he got up an' de room were awful quiet when he sneaked out like he had rubber shoes on his feet. Less'n a minute he come back, an' he had de red eye. I saw it right away. I did, and got kinder lonesome. So he shaked his head quick, like he 'ud de ague, an' went sneakin' 'round de table. 'Boo-oo-oo,' he hollered, 'boo-oo-oo.' An' den he pulled out a big long gun, an' shivered dat head of his'n again. 'He's got de red eye, sure 'nough, an' dere's gwine to be trouble,' I thought, an' I was a-right in thinkin', for in less time dan it takes a chicken to flock a straw off his tail, Jones yelled out like thunder from de Lawd's sky:

"'Boo-oo-oo—I'se gwine ter kill some one.'

"'Tain't me, is it?' I said. He answered in dat 'ere thunder voice:

"'Yes, damn you, niggah! You'se a gone!' And he banged. De bullet, ledge, come 'bout free inches from ma right-hand ear. I jist dodged, kinder, an' got under de table. He got outside de domicile an' fired a good-by one frew de window pane. But I ducked, an' de bullet went in de wall."

Mr. George Smith said Mr. George Johnson, who had been looking through one of the shanty windows, corroborated Mr. Fifer.

Mr. Ike Parris was the fourth witness put on the stand by the prosecution.

"Fifer is a country niggah an' Jones is a city niggah," explained Mr. Parris.

"What is the distinction?" asked the Recorder.

"You Honah," said the witness; "country niggahs work an' city niggahs loaf. Jones is what we calls a race track niggah. Dey calls him de crazy coon. W'en he gits two shiskey balls in him he gets nutty."

"Gets what?" asked the Recorder.

"Nutty—buggy—wheels."

"He means crazy," explained Mr. Oborne, who called the fifth witness, and then asked: "What is your name?"

"Kit Carson," answered the witness.

"Have you ever heard of the Arkansas Traveller?" asked Mr. Osborne.

"No, sah. I'se from Petersburg."

Kit corroborated the testimony of the other witnesses, and Juliet Wells was then called to testify. She was a lady of some weight—probably 300 pounds.

"Please call me Mrs. Jule-yit Wells," she said to Mr. Osborne. "I am de hirer ob de habitation where de circumference occurred."

"Where the what occurred?"

"De circumference..."

"Do you mean the trouble?"

"Dat's what I said."

"Tell us what it was," said Mr. Osborne.

"De repeater, or whatever you call him here, dat 'lasy niggah Jones, he wouldn't do no work, an' played sick for six hull weeks."

"How do you know he was playing sick?" asked Jones's lawyer.

"You talkin' to me?"

"I am. How do you know Jones was playing sick for six weeks?"

"Kase he nebber missed a meal," answered Mrs. Wells.

The jury convicted Mr. Jones.

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