

Trip to Memphis, Tenn.

On 8th July 60 went over to see Schuyler according to his invitation. This was apparently not made in good faith as I was met by the usual delays, evasions and obfuscations. We were able to divide the silver and photographs. However he had the china and some other items located at

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He supposedly made arrangements to go over and get this out. However he seemed very loath to do so and hid behind various delays and distortions. Also he showed me where he did live but would not go near where he presently lives, apparently so that he would not have to invite me in. This and the episode about storage company makes it appear that he lied about having given all our inherited furniture away. To get anything more out of him will require pressing him formally in court and it is not worth the effort or inconvenience. I left on the 12th.

It is clear that I overestimated him and reposed in him confidences and responsibilities which he is ethically and morally incapable of shouldering. A considerable part of his difficulties seem to be due to the influence

of his wife who is of rather dubious background and character.

When I last saw him he had stalked out of my room at the Peabody Hotel in a fit of anger, apparently because I questioned his good faith. This is a matter he frequently brings up and is very sensitive on, probably well knowing the truth.

In general he seems to have found his niche in life as he seems to enjoy haggling around with a lot of others like him and is apparently fairly successful at it. Getting a bit on the fat side he looks, acts, talks and thinks much like a proprietor of a used car lot. Has very little interest in anything except money and continually is figuring on some angle to try to swing a deal. His pride is hurt if he loses the deal, but it is also hurt if he doesn't extract the very last ounce out of any transaction. Apparently we had some Jewish ancestors in the distant past which have come out strongly in brother Schuyler.