

THEODORE W. JONES SHOT IN LEG

Mrs. Jones Got Tired of His Monkey-Business and Sends Bullet to Watch and Leg. Great Excitement Prevailed for More Than An Hour on Unlucky Street Corner.

MR. JONES GETS OVER SALLIE.

Defender War Correspondent Arrive Too Late at Seat of War to Give Minute Detail. Mrs. Jones Got Reinforcement From Chicago Came in Time to Repulse the Enemy.

Mr. Jones Under Flag of Truce Want to Speak of Peace. Young Jones, Known Now as "Little Corporal." Stuck To His Gun for 4 Hours.

The Jones Are All of Chicago and Are Known in the Smart. They Are People of Means and Refinement. Chicago Friends in Sympathy With Mrs. Jones.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 3.—The breach between Theodore W. Jones and his alleged wife, Helen C. Jones, was opened again last night wider than ever when the former was driven away from his home, after five shots were fired at him. That Jones was not seriously injured was considered a lucky accident. One of the shots struck a gold watch he was carrying in his pocket, seriously damaging the watch, and another shot made a slight flesh wound in one of his legs. Besides that he carried several holes in his coat and vest away with him as evidences of the struggle.

During his recent absence a woman who claimed she was his wife and whom he disowns, came here and took possession of the house at the corner of Thirteenth and Tyler streets. When Jones came back he went home and found the house occupied. Thereupon he went away and returned with a friend, attempting to enter the house through a window. This move was blocked by the woman with a big Winchester rifle, and Jones retreated. After the racket neighbors telephoned to the police, and two officers, not knowing who owned the house, went to the scene and spent the night there to avert further trouble.

Subsequently the woman was awarded the temporary control of the house, and Jones was allowed one room in it in which he could sleep. Things went along nicely until Jones decided to move away, and last night he went out there with an express wagon, meaning to haul away his share of the household goods, and to permit the woman to the other half. Prior to the visit however, Attorney E. D. McKeever, who represents Jones, went to police headquarters and asked Chief Jenkins if he thought it would be necessary to send an officer out to keep peace. The matter was talked over, Attorney McKeever believing that their would be no trouble, and it was decided that the presence of an officer was superfluous.

But the trouble came in bunches as soon as Jones put in an appearance. He was met at the door by his wife in belligerent attitude, and by his son who was carrying a revolver of small caliber. The latter, Jones says, attempted to shoot him and he knocked the gun from the boy's hands. Thereupon the boy clinched with him and told his mother to pick up the gun and shoot, which Jones says she did, firing five shots in all. Seeing that the revolver was not going to be enough to drive him away, the boy dived back into the house and secured the Winchester, which Jones had not seen before, and he decided it was time to retreat, which he did accordingly.

"Jones did not go out there with any idea of any trouble," said Attorney McKeever last night. "He was not armed, and had no way of defending himself, I have advised him not to get into trouble with the woman, and he believed he could move half his household goods without arousing any antagonism on her part. I hardly think he will ask for warrants either for Mrs. Jones or her son."

The woman claims to be Jones' wife, and declares she is entitled to half of his property. He is said to come here from Chicago during his absence in the West to demand her rights. The son, who put in an appearance last night is a new factor in the case having been imported only a few days ago.—Topeka Daily Capital.