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DIALOGUE

## UNCLE SAM & BROTHER JONATHAN. {9-10}

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**B.** J.—What is all that stuff the *Evening Post* has about monometalism?  
U.S.—Hash.

B.J.—And all that Alliance stuff about the greenback?

U.S.—Re-hash.

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B.J.—Who was Javert?

U.S.—A type created by Victor Hugo of the uncompromising, uncorruptible police officer.

B.J.—Did Javert ever go through a Mrs. Hamilton exposure?

U.S.—Never.

B.J.—Did he ever aid in the escape of any criminals?

U.S.—He would sooner have cut his throat.

B.J.—Did any district attorney ever publish queer stuff about him.

U.S.—No, he was straight as a pike.

B.J.—But how come the papers to call Inspector William Byrnes a modern Javert?

U.S.—Because Javert can't bring an action for libel.



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