

It seems as though the whole focus of the book changes when Huck and Jim help two men who are being chased by some other men and their dogs. The two men come aboard ship, one is about 30, and he claims to be the Duke of Bridgewater, the other is about 70 and he claims to be the Dauphin of France.

The Duke and the Dauphin then decide to perform Shakespear's Romeo and Juliet, and they pool their resources to do so. They also go ashore and pull a couple scams to get money, one such scam was the King pretends to be a reformed pirate, and swindles 80 some dollars from the group by doing so. At the same time the Duke goes to the printing office and get's a handbill saying the Jim is a runaway slave, and he intends to keep it just in case anybody question's Jim's being there.

While the Duke and Dauphin rehearse Shakespeare, Mark Twain interjects a little story in which Huck observes Colonel Sherburn and a town drunk named Boggs. In the story Boggs, goes into the saloon, and get's drunk, and says he is going to kill Colonel Sherburn, after which Colonel Sherburn kills him. Then a man named Buck Harkness gathers a mob together to kill Sherburn, but then when they reach Sherburn, he tells the crowd that they are cowards, and eventually, they go away crying.

After that wonderful event, Huck goes to a circus, then to the Duke and Dauphin's Shakespearing play. The first night bombs, so they change it so women and children cannot enter, this raises interest, however, the crowd feeling let down, get's angered and they go to tar and feather the Duke and Dauphin, however, they are too late as they get on the raft and take off.

The next scam of the Duke and Dauphin is to rip off the Wilks. Peter Wilks has recently died, and the Duke and Dauphin show up in the town to try to fake being the brothers of Peter Wilks. For the most part it fools the nieces and they hand over the almost 3000 dollars that was set aside for the brothers of Pete Wilks. The Duke and Dauphin give the money to the girls as a kind gesture, which woos everybody except for Dr. Robinson who distrust the Duke and Dauphin. Later on, one of the nieces, Joanna, starts to question Huck, and he almost gives away the identities of the Duke and Dauphin.

He didn't, however, give away their identities, but his conscious kicks in and Huck grabs the money that the Duke and Dauphin get, and he hides it in a coffin. He later confronts Mary Jane another niece, and confesses everything to her, however, to give him time to get away, Huck makes sure Mary Jane does nothing for a day.

In the next day, a new set of Wilks brothers comes in on a steamship, the real set, and they come in contact with the Duke and Dauphin. To find out which is the real set of Wilks brothers they must identify a tattoo on Peter Wilk's body, and in doing so they find the money their, and the Duke and Dauphin and Huck run back to the raft and take off again.

After a couple days, the Dauphin sells Jim as a runaway slave. Huck is angered at them both for selling Jim, and decides to write a letter to Mrs. Watson, so that she will take he and Jim back, but he decides to tear up the letter and he finds out that Jim is at a nearby plantation, and decides to free him.

Cliff Notes

Buck Harness led attack on **Sherburn's** house, Sherburn calls them **cowards**, crowd disperses
Huck dove under tent to see circus, **12** people attend **Romeo/Juliet**, comes up with men only show
First night, cheat, cons people into telling people it was good, second night, same thing, made a run for it 3rd night
Stole **\$465** from **Brickville**, **The Royal Nonesuch**. **Duke** dresses **Jim** as **sick Arab** so they don't have to tie him
On the way to Steamboat, **meets a young man, Tim Collins**, who thought they were **Mr. Wilkes**, whose brother **Peter** just died, inheritance, **Tim going to Rio de Janeiro**, tells them all about the situation.
King plays **Rev Harvey**, **Duke** as the deaf and mute **William**, pose as the **Wilkes brothers**

King/Duke put on crying act besides coffin, used info provided by Tim to make the town think they're genuine
Nieces believe it, **\$3000, house to girls, \$3000 to William/Harvey**, money is hidden in the **cellar**
King/Duke go to get it, come up **\$415** short, makes up for it with their own money, gives it all to girls
Everyone believes except **Dr. Robinson**, but no one believes him. In order to show loyalty, **Mary Jane** gives all **\$6000** to **King** to let him **invest it**, no receipt needed. **Joanna – Hare Lip** – asks Huck a bunch of questions
MJ and **Susan** tells her to be nice, **Huck** feels guilty for taking money from the girls, spies on **King/Duke** as they **hid money in the straw part of the mattress**, then steals it. When **Huck** tries to leave with money, **doors are locked**, and someone is coming (**MJ**), so **hides money in coffin**. Huck isn't sure weather the money is still there, King/Duke begin selling Wilk's

property, **wants to take girls to England**. On auction day, King/Duke find money missing, went to talk to Huck, **who blames it on the slaves**, which were already sold. Then encounters **MJ crying**, blurts out that the slaves will be returned, makes her **Promise to leave town for 4 days**, reveals entire hoax, **shortens time to 1 day**, and when she gets back, put **candle in the window**, and wait till 11 **She must leave BEFORE breakfast cuz her facial expressions will give it away**. Also advises her to go to **Bricksville** and mention **Royal Nonesuch**, and they'll have plenty of witnesses. When MJ asks where is the money, **Huck writes it down and makes her promise not to read it until she was on her way out**. Huck tells family that **she has gone to help a sick friend (Proctor)**. Another set of Wilkes Brothers arrive...

New set of Wilkes brothers, big argument, **handwriting tests are negative**, King says a **blue arrow** on Peter's chest, New guy says **PBW**. Had to dig up the body, found the gold, Huck made it a run for it, sees MJ's candle, feels relieved. But, King/duke catches up to him, King about to kill Huck, but he tells him that the dude that was holding him let him go and told him to run, King/duke argue with each other and blames each other for wanting to steal the gold, but recover later. For a few days, they don't land, but they land later at **Pikesville**, **King sells Jim for \$40 bucks**, Huck thought about telling Miss Watson, but thought that he would **"go to hell for Jim,"** went to **Phelps Plantation** to hunt him down...

Other Points You Should Know

After **Harness's** troops tear down **Sherburn's** fence, he shows up and **starts laughing**. **Harness was "half a man"**

Judges don't hang murderers because they're in fear of being shot themselves

Everyone is a coward, so they follow Buck, then pulls gun, crowd disperses

Drunk man got into the ring at circus, wanted to ride, people almost got up, but he put on a show, part of circus

Stood on a horse, took off 17 suits

The Royal Nonesuch at **Court House**, 3 nights, **Garrick/Kean**, 50 cents admission. King naked/painted on stage

King/Duke are **Rapscallions**. **Henry VIII married everyday**, chopped head in morning, told a tale every night

Doomsday Book – 1001 tales the wives have told. **King's father is the Duke of Wellington**.

King wanted to cause trouble in colonies, so dumped tea overboard and declaration of independence (Jim)

When the duke got drunk, nearsighted man can't tell him from a King. Jim's kids are **Liz** and **Johnny**

Liz died of **Scarlet Fever** at **age 4**.

Had to tie up Jim so he'll look like a runaway slave

Dressed him up in a **King Lear's outfit**, painted him blue, posted **"sick Arab"** sign, so people would back off

King looked like Leviticus himself after the new cloths. Said he was from St. Louis or Cincinnati.

King told **Tim** that **Huck** was **Adolphus, or his servant**. Also told him he was **Rev. Blodgett**, going to see a friend on farm up the river. Brother George is married, Harvey is from Sheffield, England, Peter just died, himself headed for **Rio**.

George is a carpenter, Henry a minister, Peter a Tanner. Caught boat from Cincinnati, **The Susan Powell**

Crew got pissed cuz they're only going a few miles, had to pay a buck/mile/person. King/Duke plays Wilkes Brothers

Mary Jane is Red Haired **Two rested head on coffin**, put on a good show. King "asked" family friends to come to a

supper the next day, but Robinson doesn't believe a word they say. In their money, **they were missing \$415**, put it in

themselves. **Called money "Yaller Boys"**.

Gives girls the money, everyone welcome at the funeral

King/Duke got a room, Huck stayed in the **Cubby**, was presented as the **King's Valley, or servant**

Huck ate something, tells Joanna that **King William IV goes to Sheffield for summer only because he wants to take a sea**

bath. But there's no sea, so the water comes in barrels. Said that he went to his church, sat in Uncle Harvey's row, but

since Harvey's the minister, he should have a pulpit, so got mixed up there. Said that **kings have 17 Preachers, for style**

Servants no holidays, didn't even go to church, he went to church cuz he was valley, not servant

Put his hand on a **dictionary** and said he wasn't lying.

Hid behind Mary Jane's gowns in Dukes room, hears them hide money, takes it. **Duke called King Capet**

Didn't want to rob girls of everything, but knew sale won't be valid cuz it's stolen property

Thought about running away and writing back to MJ about the money in the coffin. **Funeral took place in Parlor?**

Borrowed a melodeon for funeral. **Reverend Hobson** was at the funeral. During speech, **dog caught rat in cellar**

MJ could stay at **Mr. Lothrop's** for a few days, candle business. Huck told sisters that MJ went to help **Haner Proctor**

Asks them to tell Harvey that she went to **Arthrop's** to ask them to get over here and buy the house

Said crap about MJ going and that **Haner** got this special form of **mumps** that has measles and everything in one

Levi Bell was lawyer going to **Louseville**, sided with **Robinson** on the "fake Wilkes" case

Saw Spanish moss for the first time as they went up the river.

Sold Jim to Silas Phelps, \$200 buck reward

Caught duke putting up posters for another Royal Nonsech at Phelps Sawmill

Duke told him that **Abram G. Foster took Jim, lives 40 miles away on the way to Lafayette**.