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"Well, I haven't, sergeant," retorted Jimmy, "but I've been kicked by a Colonel (kernel)."

DISCORD.

Commanding Officer: Mr Jones, what the deuce is the meaning of that noise outside the Orderly Room?"

Irresponsible Subaltorn: "If you please, sir, it is two keys debating."

C.O.: "Two keys debating? What the devil do you mean, sir?"

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