

INT. NETWORK CORRIDOR - DAY

OPENING CREDITS OVER PICTURE

PETER and CHRIS walk with their lunches to-go through corridors, into the newsroom, past workstations, etc.

PETER

How could that filthy Solomon's Deli deny my Visa card for three lousy dollars, screaming in front of fifty people that my credit is not good.

CHRIS

The way I remember it, Solomon quietly returned your card and you started screaming that his food was inedible.

PETER

He threatened me with his broom. Though I may have raised my voice I never lost my composure.

CHRIS

The way I remember it, he handed you your card and you started screaming about the scum in his split pea soup.

PETER

Which is true.

CHRIS

Then he said you didn't have to eat his food and you picked up one of his muffins and threw it on the floor.

PETER

Dropped on the floor.
(off Chris' look)
A day old banana muffin.

CHRIS

Then he told you to get out.

PETER

Which I did.

CHRIS

And on your way, you stomped on the muffin. He went for his broom to sweep it up.

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CHRIS (CONT'D)

You grabbed his broom, he pulled it back. You grabbed a second muffin and stomped on it. I wouldn't call that maintaining one's composure.

PETER

None of this would have happened if he didn't have the gall to charge three dollars for plain rice.

CHRIS

Why not get his special?

PETER

The Solomon's Special? You actually said that.

CHRIS

I shouldn't have said that.

PETER

I have no idea how you can eat that special every day.

CHRIS

It's cheap and you get a lot.

PETER

What did The Garbage King make today?

CHRIS

I'm not telling.

PETER

You're not telling.

CHRIS

You'll attack it.

PETER

I'm not a child.

Tiny beat.

CHRIS

I got the fish and chips.

PETER

His fish and chips? Are you out of your mind?

CHRIS

There. The attack.

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PETER

Have you ever thought of why he calls it "the fish"? Not, "the cod", not "the halibut", but "the fish"? Because its nameless fish ends. When was the last time you went into a restaurant and ordered "the meat"?

CHRIS

Friday. The meat special.

PETER

You know what kind of person sells nameless meat and fish?

CHRIS

No, but I have a feeling you do.

PETER

The same kind of person who denies a credit card for three dollars. A credit card denier. Holocaust denier.

CHRIS

It's Visa that denied your card, not Solomon.

PETER

I have a huge limit on that card. The problem's on his end with his grease covered Visa machine situated right below his filthy meat slicer. How can anyone stomach his sliced meat after seeing that machine?

Chris raises his hand with shame as in "me"

CHRIS

Tuesday. The pastrami special.

PETER

Good lord.