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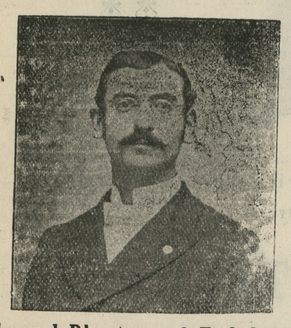

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"It happened at the Senator's house one morning while he was at breakfast. He lived in a large house with a big lobby or hall, and every morning most of the available space in it was occupied by all kinds of people wanting senatorial assistance of one kind or another.

"On this particular morning there must have been 50 people of both sexes sitting around waiting when a very handsome young woman, beautifully dressed, came in and asked to see the Senator. It was my business to be out in the lobby looking after applicants, and, noticing that she was not of the common run of callers, I politely escorted her to a small alcove down the hall, where she would be out of the crowd.

"She told me she wanted to see the Senator on particular business, and I informed her that she could not see him that morning there, but she might see him during the day at the capital. She insisted on seeing him then, and I told her that as her business would be referred to me in any event she might as well state it to me there, and I would attend to it if possible.

"She declined, and I insisted, assuring her that I was the Senator's private secretary and personal representative and as such was entitled to her respectful consideration. You see, she was a rattling pretty girl, and a man will go out of his way to render that kind service.

"Finally she became less insistent on seeing the Senator and asked something more about my authority in the premises. Of course I made myself out to be just as important as I could, and then she came directly at me.

"'I want some money,' she said nervously, 'and I must have it. Do you understand. I must have it.'

"'If that's what you want,' said I, 'then you will have to see the Senator himself, for I have no authority to give anybody money.'

"'But you said you were his representative and could act for him, didn't you?' she inquired.

"'Yes, madam, but in such matters the Senator must act for himself.'

"'Well, I've got to have the money,' she asserted in an ugly tone, 'and if you don't give it to me right now I'll scream.'

"'You'll what?' I almost shrieked at at her as I felt the beads of perspiration breaking on my brow at the thought of what a scream under the circumstances would sound like by the time it got into the newspapers.

"'I'll scream,' she repeated, as cool as a load of ice in February, 'if you don't give me the money.'

"I saw my finish right there, and I knew there was no good in struggling. The time had come for some quick thinking, and I did it then if ever in my life. If she screamed I was a ruined man, for there were men and women all around who didn't know me at all and would believe the woman first always, no matter what I had to say. Even if they did not the scandal of such a thing right in the Senator's house would make it necessary for him to let me go. I was poor enough, but I had $30 in my pocket that I had just received as salary from the paper I still worked for, and I went down after it.

"'There,' said I, draging it out and handing it over to her in a nice roll, 'is $30, all the money I've got. Take it and welcome.'

"'Is that all?' she asked, as if disappointed.

"'Yes, said I, 'all except a few cents in change which you can have if you want them. I am a new man here and have a family to support, and if you make a scene here it will ruin me and do you no good. For Heaven's sake take the money and go.'

"'Oh, you may keep the change,' she said, with a haughty wave of her hand, and very deliberately she stuck my roll of bills in her jacket, got up and walked out.

"I followed her to the door, and I never so much wanted to lay violent hands on a woman and fire her out as I did that one. When she got outside, I flew back to the dining-room door in a cold sweat and beckoned frantically to the Senator to come out. I was so badly rattled that I couldn't talk, and I felt just as one does in a nightmare. I pointed the women out to him as she crossed the street and told him how I had saved him from a blackmailer at the cost of all my money and four years of my growth.

"'You did the very best and wisest thing that could have been done, my boy,' he said, patting me on the shoulder reassuringly, and I grew calmer, but I didn't get over the shock for a month, and during the six years I was with him I never saw any women visitors except in the presence of witnesses. Not much. Once was an ample sufficiency for me. He made good the $30 I had been held up for, and we never saw the woman again, nor could we ever obtain any clew to her identity, though I told a couple of detectives the story and had them on the lookout for her.

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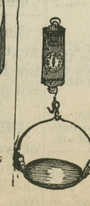

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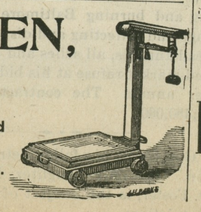

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