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wish.



ceed up the receiver and listen-

And as he replaced the receiver:

"I am seeing Mr. Morell and I

"Yes, show him in please."

ed with a frown.

led toward the door.

oken to you about it be-In desperation Luke reverted Lu I realize how badly you to the question of the Gulanga tion. feeling. The Northern Oil Concession, and for once have been on the Mr. Stiles father interest in the confidence that you accompanied knew the check was forged?" uthern have been on the buisnes irritated him. him to the Northern and South- he asked. "Of course ,sir. I know that ern Bank three days ago when

Danty opened his eyes wide in away from the fact that we have

"Why of course," he said.

"Certainly, Why, what's wrong saw the check myself."

There was an uncomfortable

"Did you ye? him sign it?"

Danty's gaze did not falter.

"I am afraid I do not under-stand you," he said evenly. "I

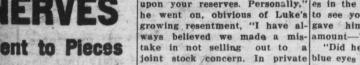
Danty's heart sank though he

asked Luke deliberately.

saw him endorse it-"

been making rather heavy losses well-stimulated suprise. during the past six months, and

ne from Margaret would manager it is alright."



d the signature yester-

banking business the personal face. uffered a long time, before security plays too big a part for Cardui," says Mrs. Lillie my liking-, 130 "K" St., Anderson, S. C. Mercicilly the house phone rang at that moment. Luke snat- pause, and then:

was badly run-down in nerves went to d Lhad to go to bed. bad off, I could not

have anybody walk the floor of my room. least little thing upset me. s I became hysterical pains in my back and and my head and limbs take spells of aching, st set me wild.

day I saw where a wowho had a trouble like my had been relieved by Cardui ided at once to try it. It beto help me from the very I took Cardui regularly, for al months, and my improve was so remarkable my famid friends were delighted." Cardui for your troubles.



charged with hostility. Neverthe less he was his smiling self, and pertubation. This man knew laid his carefully brushed silk more than he had dreamed could or—from a distance. I'm humble, and grew panic-stricken. hat upon the table. Luke did not be known. Here was a crisis in You never find me bargin' in "I was thinking of you—that fail to notice that he wore a Mr. Morell's affairs which might on society. I've had one dress there was no use of worrying mourning tie, and that for some easily lead him to ruin and undo suit seventeen years an' wear it about his affairs. was a further strain upon his all those fine schemes of his, twice a year—once for the Po-practically nothing. iangled nerves, "I do not exactly know what lice Dinner and once to give the Before he could reply h jangled nerves.

"Sit down, will you?" His you are sugesting," he said. "My moths a cold." manner and voice were brusque, interest in the company is a

oyster for tobacco

very slight one, and I was horri- wonder I don't knock him down tied when I learned that Rex in the street and take them!" eyed astonishment. "Luke,

Lukes eyes were averted: he "But I pever h "Luke, is that your lawyer "But I never knew my dear you're calling?" had been gambling in the shares give you the fullest permission gave no sign until the detective how awful! I thought you had

ad finished. "I'm sorry I can't help you," She shook her head. This time with a sudden fear; she realized Conscience overwheimed her to make any investigation you had finished. Luke opened the drawer of he said. "The check was drawn she was not acting. his desk and took out a check. by me and signed by me." "If money will a for the first time the enormity "If money will give you a of her treachery and was terrifi-From where he sat Danty thought the signature was a tol-

e sat Danty ^{Mr}. Bird arose with a sight ture was a tol- "You're too kind to the crim-it will, l'11—why I'd give you gery. He had inal classes, Mr. Maddison." he Rex brought said "No wonder Gunner Haynes "Yes Hilton-it is Luke Maderably good forgery. . you had the thought so when thought so when her brought said no wonder control control of the antenuptial con-the check to him. It is the sim- think's you're a good feller—six He saw her incredulous smile tract? Well, include everything!

"Yes, yes." Luke's usually Re"s?" he had a private phone knew that any message gentle voice was harsh. "Tell the harager it is alright." "I told him yesterday, as a harager shook his head business, sir. I have which was hateful to the other. which was hateful to the other. "Yes, yes." Luke's usually Re"s?" Danty inclined his head sor rowfully. "Yes, I was completely in his unfortunate—" "You realize what is wrong "Morell?" Luke was thrown "You realize what is wrong "Morel?" Luke was thrown "You realize what is wrong "Morel?" Luke was thrown "You realize what is wrong "Morel?" Luke was thrown "You realize what is wrong "Morel?" Luke was thrown "You are!"

He's the-"

Before he could reply there Leferee's. I'd rather not discuss

"Come in." he said.

It was the apoligetic manager. him." "I am sorry to interrupt you, The Sparrow sighed again I am afraid I shall have to call "Rex had made very heavy loss-upon your reserves. Personally," es in the City and I advised him Mr. Bird of Scotland Yard?" the unfortunate Rex had prache went on, obivious of Luke's to see you. I understand you In spite of his self-possession tised the signature and stuffed growing resentment, "I have al-gave him a check for that Danty half rose from his seat them back into his pocket-book The Sparrow was the last man "Nobody helps the police he "Did he tell you that?" Lukes in the world he wanted to meet said dolefully. "All hands are joint stock concern. In private blue eyes did not leave the man's that morning. against the natural guardians of

Luke thought for a mom- the children of the poor. I'll be getting along now. ent He offered a limp hand and "Just a moment." He rose and opened the door went heavily out of the room. leading to the corridor. The door had hardly closed be "I shall want to see you again the telephone rang, and for the about this check, Mr. Morell," first time since the tragedy

he said. Luke heard the voice of the wo 'Why not see me now?" man he loved. "Will you see me tomarrow It was a challenge, but Luke

"Mr. Bird has come to see me "Now if I men is low." could sense its insincerity.

"I am seeing Mr. Moreli and i do not wish to be interrupted," he said. Mr. Stiles made a little grim-ance. He had been all his life in the firm of Maddisons & Sons, and he did not feel called upon to disquise his dislike of the caller. "There is something about that fellow I dislike very much Mr. Maddison I hope we are not Mr. Maddison I hope we are not going to carry his account?" dropping in value. On the day dropping in value. On the day Luke shook his head and nod- he paid you eighteen thousand come in whilst I was waiting circumstances-he thought too five hundred pounds there came in the street outside." quickly for speech. Mr. Morell came into an at-mosphere which he, sensitive in such "matters, "realized was Danty's heart sank though he

Luke nodded curtly. "Yes-but it wasn't worth dis "Mr. Danton Morell." he said. cussing. He was heavily insured "Do you know him?" you know and I don't thing the The Sparrow smiled. policy is invadidated "As one knows the Lord May-He heard the quick breath

. He owes me

heard the click of the hook be "Do you know anything about ing depressed.

The Sparrows wide smile grew "I see no reason in the world wider why the wedding should be post-

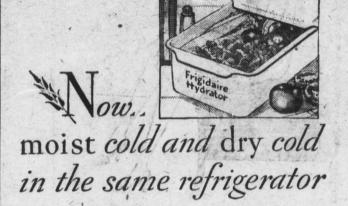
"His name an' address-an' poned, Luke." hat's as much as any policeman The hideous business of cor-wants to know, about anybody, oner's inquisition was only a day Bad business, this young Leferre old. and an accountant's state-Mr. Maddison. You don't ment that the dead boy's affairs case. want to appear in it I suppose?" were involved was accepted and Luke looked at him startled no details were asked.

How on earth do I come Margaret Leferee could not into it?" herself; her own understand Mr. Bird coughed. calm astonished her. Had she

"Well you do and you don't," ever loved this suave man who e said. "I happened to search stood before her, apperently agthe body an' the room. I found recing, as though Rex were his three loose checks on the North- dearest friend? Sometimes she ern and Southern Bank-that's was afraid that he would read where you keep your private her loathing of him in her eyes account, ain't it? An' this-" -she was amazed to find her-Very leisurely he took out a fat self telling him now with the and worn leather case from his greatest calmness and in a tone pocket, laid it flat on the desk that was sadly sweet, that she and rummaged in the inside. Af- saw no reason why the cereter a while he found what he mony should be postponed.

was looking for—two folded "My poor darling! sheets of paper evidently torn He took her in hi

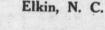
infortunate—"
Luke cut short the recollecwith this check?" asked Luke. off his guard, as he saw by the
ion.
"Were you so much in his "Are you suggesting that I "That's the name. What's the
image diameter of the subscription use of talking at cross-purposes? it will make us real partners. The words came tremulously. Wait.' "You're mad, Luke-I didn't "I know nothing about Morsignature yester-of brass, but there no getting thousand five hundred pounds?" looked up angrily. 'Of course ,sir. I know that ern Bank three days ago when Before he could reply there I know hothing about and the was at the telephone as mean it." was a friend of Rex's—of Mr. pursuing some new and delight-CONTR CONTINUED NEXT WEEK



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school execise book. He she did not resist. Rather, she smoothed thee flat and Luke raised her cold lips to his, and saw a succession of signatures, hated herself. But the Judas kiss addison—Luke Maddison" tered comfort. "Looks almost as though you" "There is nothing in the Maddison-Luke Maddison"

"Looks almost as though you" "There is nothing in the had been scribblin' absent-mind- world I would not do to make had been scribbin absent-mind-world I would not do to make edly." The detective's shrewd life a little more smooth for eyes were on the young banker, you." he saw saying. "If money "But at the same I couldn't could buy you happiness I imagine a business in like you would beggar myself!" doin' anything so silly! If you'll She smiled faintly at this.

excuse the liberty. I called at the Northern and Southern Bank yesterday, bnt they were reticent—"reticent" is a good But by an underhanded an' des-his little irritated comments up-nicable trick I found that young an Terice comments uppicable trick I found that young on Rex's carelessness in finan-Mr. Leferre cashed a check the cial matters.

other day for eighteen thousand. He put her at arms length "Yes-I gave him a check for and scrutinized her a little sadthat amount." For a second Luke was taken ows beneath her eyes gave her aback. "If there were any reason for doing so, I could,(" he said cold-ly, "but I see no reason." Mr. Plat ", "but I see no reason." Mr. Bird was not abashed; he —it was indecent. I just didn't leaned his huge arms on the know what to saytable, and when he spoke his "Luke, are you awfully rich?" voice was serious.

voice was serious. "I've no right to ask—I'm not the sort of man who would at-tempt to pull a bluff on a gentle-man like you. I'll put my card on the table that check was mat the table that check was met in notes and I want to know where those notes went. There's bird in London I want to catch knew."

a bird in London I want to catch knew." I've got one of the best little Cages for him that was ever built, an' while it's empty so's my heart. If that check was a forgery it might get the deceard ther left us nothing, poor dear. abad name but it would make It must be wonderful to be so abad name but it would make it must be wonderful to be so it very easy for me to pull in a rich—to have command of hon-certain man for 'uttering.' "I'll tell you the truth, Mr. bills, never to be bothered about Maddison; I want that man's urge to go out and earn some-finger prints so much that I thing."

OVSECT - SEEMS TO HAVE SOMETHING THE OTHERS DO NOT HAVE

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