



The Captain Rose and Drew Himself Up to His Full Height.

The Third Degree

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SYNOPSIS.

Howard Jeffrey's son, under the influence of Robert Underwood, marries the daughter of a gangster... The judge said nothing for a moment. Then quietly he whispered to the banker...

CHAPTER XVII.

Annie entered the room and caught sight of Mr. Jeffrey... "You're all right," she said. "I'm not here to do anything but to help you."

"The will—she will. Give me only a few minutes more," she cried. "The lawyer looked at her as if puzzled. 'A few minutes' he said. Again he looked at her and then shook his head resignedly. 'Well, it's certainly infectious!' he exclaimed. 'I believe you're right. I'll wait a moment. The door opened and Alicia appeared. The lawyer advanced politely to greet her. 'Good evening, Mr. Jeffrey.' Alicia shook hands with him, at the same time looking inquiringly at Annie...

"I can't tell you just now—she'll be here soon—' 'Well, me now—I insist,' said the lawyer with growing impatience. 'Please—please don't ask me!' she pleaded. Mr. Jeffrey made an angry gesture. 'As I told you, Brewster, her whole story is a fabrication trumped up for some purpose—God knows what! The object she has in deceiving us! I only know that I warned you what you always may expect from people of her class...'

"I've had a most painful evening—most painful evening! The result of your investigation as soon as possible. Good night. Don't disturb me to-night, Brewster. To-morrow will do. He left the room in high ducegon, banging the door behind him. Annie burst into a laugh. 'Don't disturb me!' she mimicked. 'He's going to get all that's coming to him.' Shocked at her levity, the lawyer turned on an angry yet. 'Do you want me to lose all my faculties?' he asked sternly. 'No, indeed,' she answered contentedly. 'Then tell me,' he demanded, 'why do you conceal this woman's name from me?'

"Because I don't want to be the one to expose her. She shall tell you herself. 'That's all very well,' he replied, 'but meantime you are directing suspicion against yourself. Your father-in-law believes you are the woman who does Capt. Clinton. 'The captain suspects everybody,' she laughed. 'It's his business to suspect. I don't know what he's got against you. I've just told you that I visited Underwood that night—' 'Did Underwood see you?' he asked. 'Daddy, I don't know what to think,' she replied. 'I want to think the very best of you, Annie, but you won't let me. At the moment and then, quickly, she said: 'I suppose I'd better tell you and have done with it—but I don't like to. At that moment a servant entered and handed the lawyer a card. 'The lady wants to see you at once, sir. 'To see me,' said the lawyer in surprise. 'Are you sure she hasn't come?' asked Mr. Jeffrey. 'No, sir,' she asked for you. 'Annie sprang forward. 'It's Mrs. Jeffrey,' she said. 'Yes,' he replied. 'Let me see her, Judge,' she exclaimed eagerly. 'I'll tell her who it is and she'll tell you. It's a woman—and I'd rather let me speak to her, please!'

"Addressing the servant, the lawyer said: 'Ask Mrs. Jeffrey to come up. Turning to his client, he went on: 'I see no objection to your speaking to Mrs. Jeffrey. After all, she is your husband's stepmother. But I am free to confess that I don't understand you. I am sure you mean to keep your word. You promised definitely that you would bring the name of the woman who was well-known to me to me. I have not been able to substantiate. The whole story looks like an invention of your part. She held out her hands entreatingly. 'It's not an invention! Really! Judge! Just a little while longer! You've been so kind, so patient! I don't see how I can help you in the lawyer's voice as he went on: 'I believed you implicitly. You were so positive this woman would come forward.' (TO BE CONTINUED.)

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