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toil and die.
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"Macpherson must get someone else," said Monk. "I think you will suit me, Miss Smith. You will not have much use for business terms.

"Twenty—last month," she answered, with just a faint note of surprise in her soft young voice.

"Ah, yes," said Monk. "And do you live at home, Miss Smith?"

"With my brother," she answered.
"And he is?"

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"He has a curio shop in Grange Row—that is just off Vane Street," She did not seem to find anything peculiar in this interrogatory; nor did she appear to notice the hint of suppressed aggregation to be controlled. pressed eagerness in the great man's You have no mother, Miss Smith?"

"You have no mother, Miss Smith?"
The girl shook her head.
"She died when I was born. I have lived all my life with my aunt, but she has just died, too, so I have gone to live with my brother."
"And he keeps a curio shop in Blackport?"
"Yes We have always lived in

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"So Mrs. Brand is dead, too," he

said in a low voice, as if speaking to

The girl started. "How did you know her name?" she asked. "Did you know her? Is that why you are being so wonderfully good and generous to me?"

Monk removed his hand from before is eyes. The strangely calm grey orbs regarded the girl with dignified

"I beg your pardon, Miss Smith," he said.

he said.

"You mentioned my aunt's name,"
she repeated, somewhat taken aback.

"I did?" he said, with quiet, disbelief. "What was your aunt's name?"

"Mrs. Brand. I thought you mentioned it. I was sure you did—you said, 'So Mrs. Brand is dead, too,'" said, 'So Mrs. Brand is dead, too.'"
"If I mentioned the name, you must have done so before me, Miss Smith," he said. "That is clear, isn't it, my dear young lady? How should I know your aunt's name? Yes—no doubt you mentioned it, and I repeated it after you. Thank you very much for the information you have given me. Do I understand that you care to accept the post I have offered, Miss Smith?"

"Oh, ves." she stammered. "Thank

Smith?"
"Oh, yes," she stammered. "Thank you very much." She was furiously red. She feared that she had displeased the great man. He evidently thought that she had put words into

his mouth that he had no tspoken.
"Please be here at nine to-morrow."
he said. "I will tell them to have

he said. "I will tell them to have everything ready for you. And you need not go back to Mr. Macpherson's room to-day, Miss Smith. I will explain to him. Good-bye."

She went away, elated by her good fortune. She was actually to work directly under this wonderful man. And how wonderful he was! How he attended to details! She had always heard that that was the key-note of his greatness. He had even time to inquire with kindly interest into the personal life of an unimportant cipher in his great business machine like herself.

when she had gone the great man drew a long, deep breath. It was something between a shudder and a sigh. He passed his hand over his eyes, as if to brush away some vision that he dreaded. Then he resolutely went on with his work.

Lorion was in good time for dinner at Dunbury. The chief hated people to be a minute late.

The dinner table, laid for two only in the large square brilliantly lighted dining room, was a very plain and uncompromising affair. It was only when Lady Monk was present that

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business matters. Lorica, as usual, was engrossed, enthusiastic, and full of ideas. But suddenly, his eyes happening to fix themselves on the wall opposite his chair, he interrupted his chief in the middle of a sentence. "Why," he cried, "there's the likeness that you couldn't place, sir! I mean in Miss Smith, the typist—don't you remember? That must have been it all the time. Look! It's the same face—the features, coloring, expression—everything. How utterly extraordinary!" ordinary!

He pointed, as he spoke, to a wo-man's portrait in a heavy carved gold frame that hung on the red wall— the portrait of Sir Glare Monk's first

Monk followed the young man's

He bade her sit down, and she sat timidly on the edge of the revolving chair at the opposite side of his writing table.

"You have not been here long, Miss Smith?" he asked.
"I only came the day before yesterday," she answered.
"I noticed you yesterday. I thought you looked intelligent, as if you could learn."

Miss Smith blushed with pleasure. It was like a crown of laurels—that jerky sentence from the man who sent men out to the ends of the earth to toil and die.

"You know your work?" Monk went of Monk followed the young man's pointing finger to the portrait on the wall. In the blaze of light that illuminated the dining room a young woman's face looked out of the canvas—a pretty face, framed in soft bands of rich brown hair, with an appealing smile and large, timid brown eyes.

Monk looked scrutinizingly at the portrait of his first wife—the dead mother of his only child Peter.

"Yes, that is very curious, John," he said. "You are quite right. That's evidently the resemblance I couldn't place. Miss Smith is very like poor Margaret as a young woman. At least—there's a likeness. I don't know that it is quite so pronounced as all that. But that doesn't account for the girl reminding you of someone." "Probably it was of this room at young woman's face looked out of the canvas—a pretty face, framed in soft bands of rich brown hair, with an appealing smile and large, timid brown eyes.

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"Probably it was of this portrait,"
Lorion remarked. "I have seen it very often, you know. It was no doubt a half-conscious memory of it. Now I come to look at it, though, I think you're right. Miss Smith hasn't got Mrs. Monk's eyes. And it was just her eyes that struck me. But it was strange that we should both have seen it, isn't it? Anyhow, our minds are at rest now, and we needn't

minds are at rest now, and we needn't worry about it any more." He laughed in his easy, boyish way. He was quite proud of his discovery of the likeness that had so puzzled them

"Talking about this girl, John,"
Monk said, "has Macpherson told you
I've taken her from him to attend to
my private correspondence? It struck me at once that she looked bright."
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"Oh, yes, I'm sure she will," said the young man. me at once that she looked bright.

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The business conversation that had been interrupted was then resumed, and continued until Lorion took his leave. It was not until he had gone that Monk left the dining room. He hat Monk left the dining room. He went to his private room, and sat here for a little while, smoking mediatively, with an inscrutable expression on his face and his eyes fixed on the safe in the wall.

Then he went out into the innermall, where the telephone instrument was placed, and searched for a number in the London Directory.

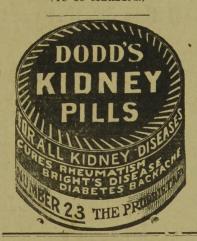
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