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What a shadow enters at the same time, and there is a low laugh of triumph behind, and turning with a ghastly face, Mattie sees the demon she dreads.

With a deep sigh of weariness and a soft chuckling smile of satisfaction, Joe thrust himself into the armchair by the smoldering fire.

"Mattie! I didn't think you'd ever come," he said, looking up, and turning his head and horribly bloated face toward her.

"Well," returned Mattie, softening a little; "you might have made a better husband."

"Mattie, it's strange how things go wrong with people," he continued, looking again at the fire and swearing a shuddering oath, and speaking still in the same drowsy tone.

"Against the wall there was one of those old clocks such as you will see nowhere now—a days in these parts, of the antique pattern, reaching from floor to ceiling, and the hands were like a pair of scorpions.

"I am sure I don't understand you," said Mattie, at last, "but please go." It was up to the tip of her tongue to say, "Go to your wife!" but she pulled up in time.

"She liked me the best of all—Mollie Croton did—and you was pretty, but she was handsome. Her skin was as brown as a berry, and big black eyes, such as I had, if I ever saw, and never forgot.

"Well, Mattie, have you nothing to say?" he asked, presently, after eating a bit with an evident want of appetite.

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