

EIGHT MINUTES OF THREE



A DETECTIVE STORY

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CHAPTER V.

The day of the trial arrived in May. Daryl and I had arranged our plan carefully. We were to let the prosecution...

him and asked him to hurry as it was eight minutes of three. Will you kindly tell the jury how you knew at that moment...

questions about the watch distress both witness and counsel. "Madame, was it not your husband's silver watch by which you saw the time when you put it in his waistcoat pocket...

"Your honor," I said, without turning my head toward the bench, "this is a question of life or death to an innocent man. His fate lies in the answers of this witness. She has deliberately lied in saying that she saw the time from a church clock...



"His Fate Lies in the Answers of This Witness."

crime, and were merely playing with her. The witness became more pronounced. Daryl saw this, too, and whispered to me not to forget the waistcoat...

"What are you going to do?" "Find those men that were working on the roof." And with that he darted off, and I had a sickly kind of feeling that if he kept his word he would hang himself...

"Now, look here," he began, at once. "Let me give you this as straight and brief as possible. That woman never saw the church clock that day, for I can see you any time before day-break tomorrow. I'll be back there, sure."

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