

judges protesting with dignity, bowed to the Bench and sat down in disgust with the quiet remark:

"We shall offer no further objection to anything that may be said in this Court."

He had scarcely taken his seat when Ackerman moved his chair behind him and began to whisper.

The District Attorney watched the detective in astonishment, while Hoyle and Larkin bent their heads together in excited conference.

Susie looked at Stella, smiled and blushed.

Isaac finally came to specific charges against John Graham.

"Now tell the court what you know about John Graham's connection with the murder of Judge Butler," said Steve, who was conducting his examination.

"Yassah, I knows all 'bout it, sah. Mr. John Graham de very man dat kill de jedge wid his own han'. I see 'im when he do it. Dey come slippin' up back er de house, an' creep in froo de winder while de odder folks wuz in de ballroom dancin'. Dey wuz eight un 'em—yassah. Dey slip up an' grab de jedge an' hol' 'im while Mr. John Graham stick a knife right in his heart—yassah. I wuz lookin' right at 'im froo de winder when he done it. When he kill 'im, dey all mix up wid de odde Ku Kluxes what wuz dancin', an' go way ter-gedder."