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A STORY OF LOVE, INTRIGUE AND ADVENTURE

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member of a firm in New Orleans, of which his Uncle Nelson is the head, is sent by this uncle to Brazil to act as private secretary and confidential companion to Dom Miguel de Pintra, nead of the revolutionary mevement against Dom Pedro. Dom Miguel had been a good customer of the Indreliffs, and he and the elder member of the firm were fast friends. Liking the prospect of acventure, Robert consented to go.

On the voyage he encountered Valcour, a spy sent by the Emperoq of Brazil, who knew that the American secretary was expected. This spy had decided that Robert was the person for whom he was looking and had planned to make way with him.

But the American cleverly threw him off the seem and reached Rio in safety. There he was, however, arrested, but of the way to the police headquarters his captor was murdered by Police Sergeant Marco, a revolutionist, and he was allowed to escape, finally reaching his destination through the assistance of many devotees to the cause. At the beautiful home of Dom Miguel he learned more of the revolutionary movement. He met the Senhorito Lesba Paola, his host's niece;

home of Dom Miguel he learned more of the revolutionary movement. He met the Senhorito Lesba Paola, his host's niece; her brother Francisco—a man who puzzled him greatly—and Dom Miguel's daughter, Izabel de Mar.

The next morning he had an unpleasant experience with Madam Izabel, who had been acting as Dom Miguel's secretary, but was relieved by him. The revolutionists did not trust her. Dom Miguel revealed to him the secret of a hidden vault where all the party's papers

