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all over the court-room, until the judge sternly demanded silence. The instructions asked were elaborate and strong on the side of the people; on the other side, only one instruction was asked and even this was not argued. It was on the point of reasonable cause. The counsel for the State rose and spoke briefly but strongly, going over the ground that he had laid out in his opening statement, and calling the jury's attention to the evidence adduced and the testimony of witnesses who were on the side of the State. He closed by saying: 'Society must be protected.'

"Then, as he took his seat, the young counsel for the prisoner rose.

" 'He will throw his client on the mercy of the court,' muttered the young man at my side. But not so. He began to speak. 'He had no other witnesses for the defence,' he said, 'than those already examined. His client was quite alone in the world—the only friends she had were the squirrels she had fed, who could not testify on her behalf to her tender heart—even the poor harlots in