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hard, too, doesn't it?' I suggested.

" 'Not hard,' responded Brown sternly, 'when a man sets himself up to say what another person shall do with her money and tries to block the wheels of justice—not at all hard. But I don't want to resort to extreme measures. I'd hate to have you hauled into court. I ask you to take this money as a favor to my sainted mother.'

"What would you have done, sir, under such perplexing circumstances? I consented to