



As you will, Lady Walcott. I regret that I have no alternative. There are certain formalities to be complied with, but if you will agree to surrender this evening I will call here.

"I never had any doubt," replied the inspector. "The change of weapons was a little check, but there was never any doubt."

"I only wonder she came back that all. Better have poisoned herself. Wonder how the train goes. I shall just turn to the servants' quarters and find out. I shall give 'em a good talking, won't I?"

"I shall get the warrant this afternoon and take her some time late in the evening. I want a little time as can be, but I'll make a bit of a speech, won't I?"

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ford," said Inspector Bordenham. "What grounds have you?"

"Well, what do you say?" asked Mr. Bordenham. "You need not answer unless you like, and if you do answer what you say may be used against you."

"I thought I ordered you to leave the house," he cried. "But didn't you, Sir Jafray?" replied Mr. Gifford calmly.

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