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Joe Redbolt picked up the pile of coins, counted them deliberately and put them in his pocket. "Now, Fred Dewhurst," he said huskily, "we are no longer master and man, so that I can say what I think."

There were ructions in the counting-house of Tatterson & Dewhurst. One or two junior clerks had received a more or less well-deserved "wiggling," and there was a general feeling of gloom to be seen.

At last a small office boy entered the clerk's office and said in a shrill voice: "Mr. Redbolt is to go to the governor's office."

There was a mischievous grin on the young gentleman's face, as if he knew what was coming, and most of the others, delighted at their own escape, chuckled, like many people do when some one else is in trouble.

Joe Redbolt turned just a shade paler when his name was called out, as if, he too, anticipated serious trouble, but he set his lips and stiffened his back, like a man who is going to make the best of a bad job.

"Good-by, Reddie, dear!" said somebody, with an unpleasant sneer. "If the governor gives you a rise, don't forget to stand third!"

"Reddie looks worried!" murmured the cashier. "Perhaps she has refused him after all," remarked another.

A moment later he was in the private office. Young Mr. Dewhurst, who had managed the business since the death of his father, gave him a furtive look as he entered, and then turned hurriedly to a bundle of correspondence by his side.

The two men formed an odd contrast. They were of about the same age—25 or perhaps 30—but it required no great insight to perceive the difference in their characters.

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