

**ELWOOD, KELLY, SANDERSON**

KELLY – Mr. Dowd, could I get you a magazine to look at?

ELWOOD – I would much rather look at you Miss Kelly, if you don't mind. You really are very lovely.

KELLY – Oh, well, thank you. Some people don't seem to think so.

ELWOOD – Some people are blind. That is often brought to my attention. And now, Miss Kelly – I would like to have you meet –

(SANDERSON enters)

SANDERSON -Mr. Dowd?

ELWOOD – Elwood P. Let me give you one of my cards - If you should want..

SANDERSON- Mr. Dowd, I am Dr. Lyman Sanderson, Dr. Chumley's assistant here.

ELWOOD – Well, good for you! I am happy to know you. How are you doctor?

SANDERSON – That's going to depend on you I'm afraid. You've met Miss Kelly, Mr. Dowd?

ELWOOD – I've had that pleasure, and I want both of you to meet a very dear friend of mine-

SANDERSON – Later on, be glad to –won't you be seated, because first I want to say..

ELWOOD – After Miss Kelly –

SANDERSON – sit down Kelly. Is it too warm in here? Would you like me to open a window Mr. Dowd?

(Elwood is not paying attention to Sanderson, he is watching Kelly)

KELLY – Mr. Dowd – Dr. Sanderson wants to know if he should open a window?

ELWOOD – That’s entirely up to him. I wouldn’t presume to live his life for him

SANDERSON – Mr. Dowd, I can see you’re not the type of person to be taken in by any high flown phrases or beating about the bush.

ELWOOD – Is that so Doctor?

SANDERSON – You have us at a disadvantage here. You know it, we know it. So, let’s lay our cards on the table.

ELWOOD – That certainly appeals to me, doctor.

SANDERSON – Being human, we are liable to make mistakes. Miss Kelly and I have made a mistake here this afternoon, Mr. Dowd, and we’d like to explain it to you.

KELLY – It wasn’t Dr. Sanders fault, Mr. Dowd. It was mine.

SANDERSON – A human failing as I said.

ELWOOD – I find it very interesting nevertheless – You and Miss Kelly here? This afternoon you say..

KELLY – We hope you will understand, Mr. Dowd.

ELWOOD – Oh, yes. These things are often the basis of a long and warm friendship.

SANDERSON – And the responsibility is, of course, not hers, but mine.

ELWOOD – You’re attitude may be old fashioned, Doctor, but I like it.

SANDERSON – Now, if I had seen your sister first-that would have been a different story.

ELWOOD – Now there you surprise me, I think the world and all of Veta, but I supposed she had seen her day.