

## **DR SANDERSON and NURSE KELLY**

SANDERSON – Have her taken up there immediately, and I will prescribe preliminary treatment. I must contact her brother. Dowd is the name, Elwood P. Dowd. Get him on the phone for me, will you please Miss Kelly?

KELLY – But Doctor- I didn't know it was the woman who needed treatment, she said it was for her brother.

SANDERSON – Of course she did. It's the oldest dodge in the world – always used by a cunning type of psychopath, apparently she knew her brother was about to commit her so she came out to discredit him. Get him on the telephone please.

KELLY –But doctor, I thought the woman was alright, so I had Wilson take the brother up to Number 24 South Wing G. He's there now..

SANDERSON – You had Wilson take the brother in?? No gags, please Kelly..you're not serious, are you?

KELLY – Oh doctor, I did, I did. Oh doctor, I'm terribly sorry...

SANDERSON – Oh, well then, if you're sorry, that fixes everything.

KELLY – I'll take care of it (goes to use phone) Miss Dunphy, will you please unlock the door to number 24 – and give Mr. Dowd his clothes and..

SANDERSON – Ask him to step down to the office right away.

KELLY - Ask him to step down to the office right away. There's been a terrible mistake and Dr. Sanderson wants to explain.

SANDERSON – Explain??!! Apologize!

KELLY – Thank goodness they hadn't put him in the hydrotub yet. She'll let him out.

SANDERSON – (staring at Kelly) Beautiful – and dumb too, It's almost too good to be true.

KELLY – Doctor – I feel terrible. I didn't know. Judge Gaffney called and said Mrs. Simons and her brother would be out here, and when she came in here – you don't have to be sarcastic.

SANDERSON – Oh don't I? Stop worrying. We'll squirm out of it in some way. I've got to tell the chief about this, Kelly. He may want to handle it himself.

KELLY – He'll be furious. I know he will. He'll die. And then he'll terminate me.

SANDERSON – The responsibility is all mine Kelly.

KELLY – Oh, no – tell him it was my fault doctor.

SANDERSON – I never mention your name. Except in my sleep. I'll be right back.

KELLY – But, what should I say to Mr. Dowd, What shall I do? he'll be furious.

SANDERSON – Look Kelly, he'll probably be fit to be tied but he's a man, isn't he?

KELLY – I guess so – his name is Mister.

SANDERSON – Go into your old routine – you know – the eyes, the swish, the works. I'm immune – but I've seen it work with some people – some of the patients here. Kelly, if you have to, do a strip tease. (exit)

KELLY – Well of all the --- oh – you're wonderful Dr. Sanderson. You're just about the most wonderful person I've ever met in my life.