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I nearly fainted. It couldn't be true. I read it again and again, but all I could make of it was that Tommy Walling was trying to throw me down again. I resolved to go straight to my office and write a letter to The Globe demanding a retraction. My message was not in cipher, and I could prove that it wasn't, so I felt sure of making a good case of it, but resolved to drop Bosenko forever.

On arriving at my office I found a lot of newspaper men and two dignified strangers who demanded to see me privately at once. I told the boys that I would see them later, that it was all right, and asked the strangers in. One was the San Castaragan consul at New York and the other was a United States deputy marshal. In a few words I explained that the dispatch was a lie, but they did not seem convinced, whereupon I handed them the original cablegram which I had written, and fortunately preserved. They studied it for some time, and finally the marshal said: "It would be much more satisfactory, Mr. Boggs, to see the one you sent away. Can you send for it to the telegraph office?"

"Certainly," said I, ringing a messenger call, and writing a note to the superintendent, asking for the message on file.

This seemed to satisfy the two men, and I told them that in the meantime I would write out a statement for the newspaper men who were waiting. They agreed, and I went to the typewriter and began. I am a good operator and seldom look at my copy while writing, but I was very nervous. I started out to explain the situation. Having written three lines I turned up the cylinder to look at it, and my hair stood on end. Here is what it read:

Ny gaf idatix ks Brxbyjko mabploas: fahid ip nowe bxt yhan tarw said meahy inayt zioxxy tatr lan. Taram kl. m b tasiwq. Uzup, aqr fait gaavooos nittizamy.

I rubbed my hand across my brow, pulled out the sheet, tore it up and put in another. This time I went more slowly. I could not see how I had been so nervous as to make so many mistakes. After three lines I looked again and—great heavens, there it was again:

Ny gaf ks Brxbyjko mabploas: fahid ip nowe bxt yhan tarw said meahy inayt zioxxy tatr lan. Taram kl. m b tasiwq. Uzup, aqr fait gaavooos nittizamy.

I began to think I had gone insane, and the consul and marshal looked at me suspiciously. I made a third attempt, with the same result, and was

about to say I was ill when an official from the telegraph office entered with my cablegram, saying we could look at it in his presence, but the company must keep possession of it.

"There it is," I shouted. "That will show my innocence. I only shipped some provisions to Bosenko, who is a merchant."

The consul took it, read it, frowned and handed it to the marshal, who did the same and looked at me, saying:

"I am sorry, Mr. Boggs, but this is bad business." I grabbed the message and read to my horror:

Bosenko, Cordova: Doarf nu drs'r5 Netvr; pms 5,000; pit 1,000 vjrrdr 1,000, rdd apd 75 vsdrd nodvloy 1,000,000 jstf ysrd Nohrt-dyagg oo; ftee pm dohvj Rbr'tnyonik hpolam erpp JDEB NPHED

"Did you write that message?" asked the consul.

"I did not," I said, choking with rage. "Is that your signature on the back?" asked the marshal.

Sure enough it was, but I could have sworn I had not written it.

"Does any one else in this country use the cipher?" asked the consul.

"No, sir," I replied, "and I did not use it on this occasion. I do not think it is anything at all. The fact is I was excited when I wrote it and probably hit the wrong key on the typewriter. The address I admit is in my handwriting. I wrote it with a pen before using the typewriter. You see it's all a horrid mistake."

"Let us have your key, then," said the consul, "and see if it fits."

I handed it to him, and in a few minutes he said:

"Mr. Boggs, it is useless to play this double game any longer. Though there are some errors it is easy enough to

translate. This message is exactly the one published in The Globe this morning. Mr. Marshal, I am sorry, but you must execute that warrant and hold Mr. Boggs for trial."

It is useless to tell how I expostulated, swore, pleaded and explained. The damning evidence was against me, and all they would allow me was time to write out the statement for the press which I had commenced. A fourth time I began it, and again the letters came all wrong. I was fairly dazed. Finally an idea seized me. I picked up the cablegram I had originally written and read it. Strange enough, it came out in the cipher just as I had sent it to the telegraph office. I showed it to the consul in triumph.

"There," I said, "it is the machine's fault. Some one has tampered with my machine, and it writes cipher instead of English. See."

They didn't see at first, but when I showed how it worked the consul remarked:

"Very ingenious, Mr. Boggs, but you are a fool to have changed the letters on your machine so as to write a cipher. It's a clean give away."

"But I didn't do it," I cried. "Some enemy has done this to ruin me."

"Nonsense," said the marshal. "Do you suppose any one could accidentally misplace the lines in that machine to fit your cipher? Do you remember that example in permutations in the arithmetic about the number of ways in which the letters of the alphabet can be placed? Why, there's trillions of billions of ways, and no one could do it but yourself. Come along, and we will see about bail."

Bitterly did I curse the day that I ever set eyes on Bosenko. I was held in \$25,000 bail for court. I sent to the different selling agents of arms with whom I had dealt, but they all indignantly denied any knowledge of me. They were afraid of being caught in the game. So I staid in jail, but was satisfied that as soon as the Barcelona reached Cordova and the provisions I would be released. Unfortunately the Barcelona went down with all on board off Cape Hatteras, and I should probably have been sent to the penitentiary for years had not General Moreno suddenly recovered from the gout, descended on Cordova and carried out a successful revolution. Bosenko was released, but exiled at the demand of the syndicate and his property confiscated. After long negotiation I was released three weeks before Cuzco's last successful counter revolution.

But my money is now gone. I am broken in reputation and am an outcast. I have at last, however, solved the whole mystery. On the day I discharged my office boy he performed the deed that undid me. He has confessed the whole story under my threat of prosecuting him, though I don't know what I could prosecute him for. It seems that, enraged over his discharge, he resolved to do me as much mischief as he could and looked around for an opportunity. Finally he lighted on the typewriter as the best object and from pure malice decided to change some of the letters so as to annoy me. He was familiar enough with the machine to do this with a few tools he borrowed from a neighboring office on the plea that he wanted to replace some battered letters. First he exchanged "a" for "z." Then he exchanged "b" for "m." This was about all he had intended to do, but seeing that it was easy he concluded to change them all, which he did with the exception of the figures and odd characters. He claims that he did this in hit or miss fashion, without any idea of my cipher, which he had never seen and which had never



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sett my possession. Nevertheless the changes he made did exactly fit the cipher with a few trifling exceptions, which Walling had noted, but which were easily adjusted in translating. That he should have accomplished this may seem beyond belief, but I can only point to the above official records for proof.

When I think that I might now be a major general and secretary of the treasury of Castaragna, worth \$1,000,000 at least, it makes my blood boil to know I was kept out of it all by an accident that might happen only once in a billion decillion times.

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