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DOMINICI ON TRIAL.

At Digne, a village in the foothills of the French Alps, lie the bodies of Sir Jack Drummond, his wife and ten year old daughter, murdered two years ago. At, Digne Court House, Gaston Dominici is put on trial. This case (one of the most confused of recent times) has attracted world-wide attention. Now Judge Peries arrives. About a year ago, Dominici confessed to the murders, but later withdrew his confession. Much of the trial's evidence concerns the original statement, which was obtained by Inspector Sebeille, after hours of interrogation.

M. Maillet is one of the prosecution witnesses. Spectators at the trial include Dominici's sons, one of whom is accused by the old man of the murders. However Dominici later accuses a grandson of the crime. So great is the public interest in the case that the crowds fight the police for admission to the court. Escorted by one of her sons, Madame Dominici wife of the accused, is attending the trial. "A hard and primitive" man is how Dominici is described by the judge. 77 years old, he faces his accusers fearlessly and with humour, stoutly denying the dreadful accusations levelled against him.