Jeannie Sinclair, GEO. WILKINSON

THE LILY OF THE STRATH,

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THE TRIAL—A VERDICT OF GUILITY—CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

The spell was broken, the suspense was ended, Lynedoch Sinclair was a convicted mirderer—convicted in the eye of the law as in his own secret, consciousness. His face became deathly white, as for some moments the blood stood at his heart; then, as the vital fluid bounded thence, to rush like a fiery stream through his veins, his face flushed erimson, and the purple veins in his forehead swelled up like cords. But beyond this he manifested nothing of the feelings in his bosom, and departed not from the statuesque rigidity of his attitude.

With a calm and solemn majesty the Judge assumed that dread emblem of death, the black cap, and called on the prisoner to stand up to receive sentence.

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Lynedoch Sinclair, after a fair and patient trial, the jury have unanimously found you guilty of the dreadful crime charged against you. Considering the evidence, no other verdice tould possibly have been looked for. I may say that in all my experience I never saw clearer or more conclusive evidence presented in a court of justice, and therefore I cordially concur with the verdict pronounced, and cannot doubt that your own conscience testifies to its justice. I will not seek to aggravate the feeling which a person of your stamp must experience in your present/sawful position. The crime of murder is always a frightful one. This murder of which you have been guilty was peculiarly cruel and atrocious. It was done upon the person of your near kinsman, and the motive doubtless was to inherit his title and estate. But Providence has interfered to defeat your calculations, and bring you to condign punishment for the selfish and bloody deed. I will not turther enlarge on the enormity of your crime, but I trust the brief space which remains to you in this world will suffice to show how heinous has been your sin, and cause you to seek forgiveness where forgiveness can alone be found. From man you can receive no mercy, and should therefore look for none. The sentence of the Court is that you be taken from hence to the prison from whence you came, and there fed on bread and water till the eleventh day of December next, on which day, between the hours of twelve and two, you are to be taken to the common place of execution, and there hanged by the neck till you are dead. This I pronounce for doom, and may God Almighty have mercy on your immortal soul.

Lynedoch Sinclair heard the sentence as though he heard it not. He could not realise it, or anything else just then. He knew he was condemned, he knew he was could not realise it, or anything else just then. He knew he was condemned, he knew he

In a few minutes more he had passed from human sight, and had passed within the dreary threshold of the condemned cell.

CHAPTER XXII. HE SHEPHERD'S SHELLING AND ITS INMATES—
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A cold and gloomy December day was drawing towards twilight, and about to close over a wild and dreary scene of wintry desolation. The region was hilly moorland. Dark gray knolls and peaks rose in confused disorder, spreading and extending thus to the very horizon. Encreiced by these bare, brown, russet heights, over which the frosty wind whistled keen and shrill, was a long stretch of level moor, through the centre of which the track of a road could be discerned running in almost a straight line from ridge to ridge, which closed it in on either side.

In a cleft of one of the hills, and not far from where the road, after traversing the moor, became lost again among the eastern eminences, stood a diapidated shelling, the decaying walls of which were not calculated to afford much shelter in that inclement season. Yet was the hut inhabited, for blue smoke curled up from the short chimney stump which graced one end of the rude building, and through the small window and half-open door the firelight began to gleam, as the light of day faded from the dreary scene.

THE HEAVY THUNDER STORM—DAMAGES IN SALEM.—The thunder storm of Sunday night—which exceeded any of previous years in point of continuance, and the torrents of rain accompanying it, did considerable damage in Salem. Owing to the river having risen several feet above its ordinary height, the ground and basements of buildings in the vicinity thereof were completely inundated as the night advanced, and at about half past five on Monday morning Mr. Eby's mill dam succumbed to the pressure and fury of the swelling water, and with a noise not unlike the booming of a distant cannon, was washed away into the seething current, with scarcely a vestige of it left to mourn the loss of the structure. The basement of Mr. Munroe's house was covered with about three feet of water, and Mrs. Mulligan, who occupies these premises, on awaking found that the bedstead, like an island, was entirely surrounded therewith. She was compelled to effect an escape through a window. Mr. Geo. Eddliston's kitchen was also flooded to the height of eight or nine inches, and we understand he had great damage done to his furniture in the lower part of his house. Mr. Eby will sustain a great loss, as it is calculated the erection of another dam will cost about \$800 or \$1,000.

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MORE EFFECTS OF THE THUNDER STORM.—We learn that Mrs. Stack's house, Elora and Saugeen Road, was entirely destroyed by lightning on Sunday night; but, strange to say, Mrs. Stack and three children, who were in deep repose at the time, were uninjured. A flour barrel standing at the foot of the bedstead, was shivered into atoms and the contents scattered over the room, also the cooking stove and several other articles in an adjoining room, were struck by the lightning and fragments were sent with tremendous force against the walls and windows. The roof of the dwelling house was taken completely off. An outhouse was lifted from its foundation and shattered to pieces, and a cow that was stabled there loseths life by the striking of the electric fluid. It may be almost considered miraculous that Mrs. Stack's life and that of her children, should have been saved—it is an instance of wonderful preservation.

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