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THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL

BY BARONESS ORCZY.

(Continued.)

Her voice came choked with tears. She passed for a moment or two, trying to regain some sort of composure. She looked appealingly at him, almost as if she were her judge. He had allowed her to speak on in her own vehement, impassioned way, offering no comment, no word of sympathy; and now, while she paused, trying to swallow down the tears that gathered to her eyes, he waited, impassive and still. The dim, grey light of early dawn seemed to make his tall form loom taller and more rigid. The heavy, good-looking face looked strangely altered. Marguerite, excited, as she was, could see that the eyes were no longer languid, the mouth no longer good-humored and naive. A curious look of intense passion seemed to glow from beneath his drooping lids, the mouth was tightly closed, the lips compressed, as if the will alone held that surging passion in check.

(Marguerite Edgemony, above all, a woman, with all a woman's fascinating foibles, all a woman's most lovable sins. She knew in a moment that for the past few months she had been mistaken. This man who stood here before her, cold as a statue when her muffled voice struck upon his ear, loved her, as he had loved her a year ago; that this passion might have been dormant, but that it was there, as strong, as intense, as overwhelming, as when first her lips met his in one long, maddening kiss.

Pride had kept him from her, and, womanlike, she meant to win back that conquest which had been her before. Suddenly it seemed to her, that the only happiness he could ever have found again would be in the arms of a man's kiss once more upon her lips.

"Listen to the tale, Sir Percy," she said, and her voice now was sweet, as when she had been a child, and she looked at him with the same pleading eyes. "Armand was all in all to me! We had no parents, and brought one another up. He was my father, and I his mother; we loved one another so. Then one day—do you mind me, Sir Percy? The Marquis de St. Oyr had my brother Armand thrashed, thrashed by his lacquers—that brother whom I loved better than all the world! And his offence? That he, a plebeian, had dared to love the daughter of the aristocrat; for that he was waylaid and thrashed, thrashed like a dog within an inch of his life! Oh, how I suffered, how I wept, how I prayed for my very soul! When the opportunity occurred, and I was able to take my revenge, I took it. But I only thought to bring that proud man to trouble and humiliation. He plotted with Austria against his own country. Chance gave me knowledge of this; I spoke of it, but I did not know how could I guess—they trapped and duped me. When I realized what I had done, it was too late.

"It is perhaps a little difficult, Madam," said Sir Percy, after a moment of silence between them, "to go back to the past. I have confessed to you that my memory is short, but the thought certainly lingered in my mind that, at the time of the Marquis' death, I entreated you for an explanation of those same noisome popular rumors. If that same memory does not, even now, play me a trick, I fancy that you refused me all explanation then, and demanded of my love a humiliating allegiance it was not prepared to give."

"I wished to test your love for me, and it did not bear the test. You used to tell me that you drew the very breath of life but for me, and for love of me."

"And to probe that love, you demanded that I should forfeit mine honor," he said, "while gradually his impetuosity seemed to leave him, his rapidly relaxing; that I should accept without murmur or question, as a dumb and submissive slave, every action of my mistress. My heart overflowing with love and passion, I asked for no explanation—I waited for one, not doubting—only hoping. Had you spoken but one word, from you I would have accepted any explanation and believed it. But you left me without a word, beyond a bald confession of the actual horrible facts; proudly you returned to your brother's house, and left me alone . . . for weeks . . . not knowing, now, in whom to believe, since the shrine, which contained my one illusion, lay shattered to earth at my feet."

She need not complain now that he was cold and impassive; his very voice shook with an intensity of passion, which he was making superhuman efforts to keep in check.

"Aye! the madness of my pride!" she said sadly. "Hardly had I gone, already I had repented. But when I returned, I found you, oh, so altered! Wearing already that mask of insolent indifference which you have never laid aside until . . . until now."

She was so close to him that her soft, loose hair was wafted against his cheek; her eyes, glowing with tears, maddened him, the music in her voice sent fire

ORONHYATEKHA BLAMES MR. FOSTER FOR BAD INVESTMENT

Chief of the Foresters Says Union Trust Co. Did Things That He Did Not Approve of—Mr. Foster Bought Non-Dividend Paying Stocks.

Toronto, Sept. 24.—There were some things done by the Union Trust Company that I would not have allowed if I had been in control," said Dr. Oronhyatekha at the insurance investigation this morning.

Mr. Shepley—"Will you specify some of them?"

"Well, on one occasion some non-dividend paying stocks were bought by Hon. Mr. Foster, manager of the company. I think they were railway stocks. At any rate, his action was in disobedience of instructions from the board of directors that no stocks should be purchased not paying dividends. That persuaded them to take this action."

E. G. Stevenson, supreme councillor of the I. O. F., testified regarding several land deals. On one occasion he said arrangement was being made by which the Union Trust funds to the extent of \$250,000 was to be used for exploiting of timber lands in Quebec. McCormick, Irwin and Fowler were to borrow 40 per cent of the money, giving their covenant for the same and the other 60 per cent was to be provided by a syndicate including Messrs. Foster, McGillivray and Wilson, who would borrow money from the Union Trust and become liable for its payment.

Witness was asked to join the scheme but objected to officials of their company entering it personally. He consented, however, to the proposal for the Union Trust itself to take the other 60 per cent. McCormick and Irwin, however, had gone off to see limits and were disappointed in the prospect and as a result the whole proposition was dropped. Mr. Stevenson also told of the determination of the I. O. F. to unload the large holdings of land in the West. He had attended a meeting of the I. O. F. authorities in Montreal where there was a discussion of the subsidiary companies of the I. O. F. They said there was a necessity of getting the officers being suspected of having personal interest. Consequently of his return to Toronto he urged the disposal of the lands which was largely effected.

Dr. Oronhyatekha put in an account of the orphans' home and stated that he had been told that the whole of Foresters' Island to the site originally donated as the site for the home was free of encumbrance but there was a mortgage on the estate and grounds which, however, were separate.

Oronhyatekha told of a loss of \$950,000

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EXHIBITION-SURPLUS ABOUT \$2,500

At a meeting of the Exhibition Association, held last evening, the secretary submitted an estimated statement of the surplus of the receipts-expenditure. From this it appears that there is a surplus after paying all bills, of approximately \$2,500. As the Telegraph announced Monday the city's guarantee of \$2,000 will not be needed. The following is a statement of account of the receipts and expenditures:

Receipts	
Gates and tickets, exhibitors and students	\$4,843.00
General admission	1,047.75
Hippodrome	1,047.75
Grand stand	500.00
Entrance and special privileges	1,540.00
Advertising and prize lists	540.00
Steady donations	200.00
Estimated due from the C. C. R. B.	1,000.00
City grant	3,000.00
Provisional government grant	5,400.00
Total	\$12,744.15
Expenditure	
Prizes and judges	\$4,656.50
Grounds and buildings	2,202.15
Labour	500.00
Police	672.12
Salaries and other expenses	1,540.00
Advertising in newspapers	800.00
Spices, wages and baggage	150.00
Travelling expenses and bill	100.00
Insurance	100.00
St. John Railway Co's bill	100.00
Light, etc.	1,500.00
Fireworks	1,000.00
Amusement Hall	1,000.00
Bands	200.00
Postage and telegrams	400.00
Printing bureau	100.00
Dog show, wages and baggage	100.00
Miscellaneous	800.00
Estimated balance	\$2,500.00

It is estimated that \$300 will be required for payment of outstanding bills, presented and he carried and bills presented, and \$800 for maintenance, insurance and secretary for the year 1907.

Those present at the meeting last night were the president, A. O. Skinner, in the chair; R. O'Brien, A. Macaulay, R. B. Emerson, C. E. Allen, P. H. Estabrook, besides Manager C. J. Milligan and Secretary J. F. Gleason. When the secretary read his financial statement it was discussed by all the members of the executive.

It was decided to send copies of it to the government as well as to publish it in the newspapers for the information of the general public. Major C. W. Magee was appointed auditor. The manager was instructed to attend the Dominion exhibition in Halifax for the purpose of studying the methods used there. He will report in detail to the executive anything he conceives to be an improvement on the methods here.

T. H. Estabrook, D. J. McLaughlin and R. B. Emerson were appointed a committee to visit the buildings and report any improvements which might suggest themselves for use in the next exhibition as well as any criticisms on the conducting of the fair just closed. The manager was instructed to prepare a detailed statement of the advertising literature used with the quantities, prices and amounts left over, if any, with any criticism he might feel called upon to make as to the utility of each kind for use in future exhibitions.

The president suggested that it might be well in future shows to have three or four of the same kind of exhibits, but not because of the great demand made upon the time of that official. He also suggested that it might be advisable to erect a band stand outside and in the rear of the Industrial Hall, for band concerts.

A letter from the Women's Council was read conveying the thanks of that body to the management for unfailing courtesy shown them in the preparation and carrying out of the woman's department work in the exhibition. The manager was instructed to convey to them the executive's appreciation of the good work done by them and of the success that had attended their efforts.

The receipts of the 1904 exhibition were

\$30,570.51 and the expense \$30,025.45, which left a balance of some \$545. In 1902 the receipts were \$27,046.28 and the balance \$2,694.80. Comparing the figures of 1904 and 1905 it will be seen that the receipts were greater in 1904 by a large sum, and the expenditure was effected by the management of the 1905 exhibition.	
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Rev. C. Flemington, grand worthy patriot of the Sons of Temperance, who was in the city yesterday, met the proposition had just last evening. Important business was discussed.

It was decided to put a man in the field as grand lecturer, and the G. W. P. was authorized to engage Rev. C. W. Hamilton, former pastor of Exmouth street Methodist church here, to come to the city and lecture. It is likely his first month will be spent in Kent and Northumberland counties. During the evening the G. W. P. visited, Gordon Division, and delivered an address. He was accompanied by Col. A. J. Armstrong, who also took part in the meeting.

The application by the city for an injunction against Mrs. Sterling H. Barker to restrain her from permitting sewage to enter Loch Lennox at the intake of the city's water supply is set down for hearing today. Notice was served on Mrs. Barker early last week. It is understood that Hon. H. A. McKewen, who will appear for Mrs. Barker, will likely ask for a postponement of the hearing for a few days as owing to illness he has been unable to give the necessary consideration to the case.

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