## The Foster Brother:

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XV.

seoned themselves together in a seat which no other person occupied.

The drive through Fife during that mellow October day seemed to the two friends brief in the extreme, occupied as they were with a conversation which was for intense interest to both. By the time the coach reached Newport, Dr. Manby was in full possession of the singular story which George had to tell him. He listened to the recital with breathless interest. Its extraordinary romance fascinated him, while his friendship for George gave it in his eyes a twofold importance. He saw now of what immense consequence it would prove to George if the maniac should recover his reason, for he, and probably he alone, ould tell him of his birth and parentage.

"I'll pay double attention to Walley for your sake, George," he said, as he bade adien to his friend at Dundee; "and depend upon it, should any sign or any prospect of returning reason be manifested, I shall despatch a letter to you on he instant. More than that, should his man come again to the asylum to sake about him, I will do what I can to find out who he is, and what motive he has for his periodic enquiries."

With this arrangement, they parted at the door of the inn, where the coach waited for dinner. They had sought and obtained a private room for their meal, in order that their conversation might be uninterrupted, and also that they might avoid the observation of the stranger, who was taking his dinner in the public room with the other passengers. They and as yet managed to clude his notice, and wished to do so during the rest of the brief time they were to be together. When the horn sounded they went downstairs together, and had almost reached he bottom when the stranger emerged from the parlour with others of the passengers.

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Manby, who was in front, suddenly drew back, and he and George watched him as he moved along the passage towards the open door. Here a man in a sailor's dress, who was rushing back for something he had forgotton, came full tilt against him, and he was about to recoil with an apology for the unintentional contact, when his eyes lighting on the stranger's face, his attention was suddenly arrested thereby, and he stood silently gazing after him, as he made his way into the interior of the coach.

"I say, George," whispered Manby, "that sailor seems to know him."

"Ay, and to be singularly moved at seeing him," added George. "Ha, good I he is ascending to the top. He is to be a passenger. I shall get into conversation with him, and get what information he can give me.."

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"Do," said his friend, "for that queer look meant something. Good-bye again, George, my body. Take my best wishes with you into your new sphere of work. I hope you will find your duties at Ardgowan pleasant and position agreeable. Remember me to Harry and his bride.

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On turning round his face to the front, deorge found that his companion on the seat was the sailor with whom he desired to enter into conversation. He was a man of some forty years of age, was bronzed and tanned by exposure to the weather, and perhaps to the heat of a warmer climate; but his curly hair had not lost its jetty blackness, and his face had the frank, fearless, honest expression which sailors present.

George had no difficulty in getting into conversation with him. The sailor met the youth's first advance with hearty cortainly, and by the time the coach had got beyond the suburbs of Dundee they were on the best footing imaginable.

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What Might Have Been Saved.

(From the Kingston Whig.)
Ont of the total number of seats in the House of Commons, there will be probably one hundred and fifty contested. In each of these contests there will be at least five thousand dollars unnecessarily spent on both sides. This sum represents a very low average, the real average reaching, possibly, a much higher figure. The money may not necessarily be used for bribery or for a directly corrupt purpose, say cab-hire, treating, and cognate objects, all exercising a more or less pernicious influence on society. When we, then, multiply one hundred and fifty by five thousand dollars, we discover that there will be at the least seven hundred and fifty thousand, or three-fourths of a million dollars, used during the present campaign to exert an immoral influence, upon the glectors of Canada

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The Ministerial journals seek a refuge from this accusation im more or less truthful charges of unfair practices on the part of Reform candidates. There may be some truth in these charges, as no party can purge itself absolutely from impurities, but admitting such to be the case it is owing to Sir John's refusal to grant the law referred to, that a Reform as well as a Ministerialist candidate can with impunity practice bribery or corruption. If such a law had been granted the country it would have visited merited punishment on both candidates guilty of violating its provisions without respect to party. The Reformer who dared to set it at defiance would have fill the Ministerialist wrong doer. It was a measure of justice which all good men should have liked to have seen enacted, as it would free both contending parties of much of that corruptions. He would have seen the contending parties of much of that corruption which necessarily under the present law system of trying contested elections, to a greater or less degree, defiles them. It will not suffice, then, to answer the demand for this wholesale law and reflections on the reasons which induced Sir John to reject it by making charges against the purity of Opposition candidates. The Opposition candidates. The Opposition candidates. The Opposition who had been suffered to the party who asked its removal, aware that themselves a good attent of cultivation. The Ministry, in refusing to remove the temptation, deprive

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