

The Rival Clansmen:

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER VIII. AN UNHEARD OF APPEAL.—WHEN IS FLORA "I will not hold my peace," cried Flora, vehemently, while the tears filled her eyes and trickled down her cheeks.

"Curse you, leave the room, girl!" again exclaimed Cameron almost beside himself, while his voice shook with passion.

"Not unless forcibly, until I receive an answer," exclaimed the brave girl resolutely, while she gazed with her sorrowful face earnestly into the eyes of Fender.

"I must say, Miss Macgregor, that I can see no reasonable objection to proceeding with the ceremony," was the reply of the already half-tipsy preacher, as he arose from his seat, steadying himself by leaning upon the table.

"Oh heaven! would you, too, force me into a union which can only be productive of misery? Think, man, had you a daughter pleading as I am to be freed from draining a cup so fraught with bitterness, would not your heart bleed for her, and would not you denounce her persecutors with all the vehemence in your nature?"

"But the words of Cameron seemed to nerve him. A flush overspread his features, and throwing back his head he advanced."

"With a wild cry, Flora disengaged her hand from her uncle's grasp, and flinging herself at their feet, exclaimed—"

"Oh, are your senses deadened to every moral consideration? Have honour and love no place in your souls? Does it matter not though I tell you I am affianced to another, whom I love with the whole strength of a woman's heart, and who loves me in return with the devotion of a noble soul?"

"You must learn to be obedient to those who are your guardians," hiccupped Mr. Fender, approaching to commence the ceremony.

Flora rose to her feet, an expression of calm resignation upon her saddest face. Ian held out his hand for her to take, but she rejected it, and, turning to her uncle and Fender, said quietly, though her voice trembled with agitation—

"As fate appears to have decreed it so, I suppose I must yield, but I should like to prepare myself for the bridal. Will you grant me yet an hour in my own chamber before the ceremony?"

"What say you, M'Kenzie?" inquired Cameron.

"Yes by all means, I willingly grant Miss Macgregor an hour to prepare herself," responded Ian, overjoyed to hear the words just spoken by our heroine.

Flora smiled sadly, and left the room.

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