

The Rival Clansmen:

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER III.

THE M'KENZIES RAFFLED—AN UNFORTUNATE GIRL—LOCH MAREE—DANGER AGAIN—THREATENS THE LOVERS.

But above the wild cries of the clansmen as they bounded forward to attack Hector and Flora and Gordon another sound was to be heard, which caused every cheek to blanch.

It was a rushing sound on the mountain side far above them; but every instant it grew louder, and apparently neared the spot on which the two parties stood.

"Back! for heaven's sake," shouted Ian, turning and rushing backwards. "A rock has been loosened by the storm, and is rolling down towards us; if it comes upon us it will crush us to dust."

Panic-stricken, the others also turned and dashed along the narrow rugged path. Their alarm was intense, for they were not fully alive to the nature of the threatening danger. Unseen dangers are always worst to meet, and this moving avalanche of rock could not be seen as it dashed down the side of the mountain; it could only be heard resistlessly approaching them, and they knew not in what direction to escape.

Both of the dread sounds had fallen upon the ears of the party in front—the wild and savage cry warning them that their pursuers were upon them, and the hoarse roar of the swiftly-moving mass of rock—and the fearful nature of both might well have struck terror into their hearts, although all of them were more or less insured to danger.

Startled for a moment they certainly were, but not for an instant were their energies in the least degree paralysed.

"Oh! we are lost," ejaculated Flora, when she heard the first indications of the dangers by which they were beset.

"Not if we are quick," replied Gordon, firmly and decidedly. "But there is not an instant to lose. I am able—let me carry you; and you, sir, bring up the rear. A race for it, we are safe if we can run a hundred yards further before they can reach us." And on he rushed, bearing the young lady in his arms—Hector, who was much exhausted, following behind as fast as he was able.

The roaring, rushing sound grew louder and still, as the huge boulder rolled and bounded down, carrying with it a shower of rock and debris—each crash and shock reverberating like thunder, and raising, innumerable echoes among the hills around.

Suddenly a wild and piercing shriek arose in the air—a shriek from some one in mortal terror and agony—and Hector's heart almost stood still as he concluded that the huge moving mass had descended upon the pursuing party, and had swept them before it heading over the precipice, for the sound of a terrible plunge following the yell told him that the boulder had at that moment reached the bottom of the glen, falling into the swollen burn.

But his mind was soon disabused of that belief, for the wild shriek was instantly succeeded by shouts of rage and menacing, as Ian and his followers again commenced the pursuit. Without uttering a word, Gordon ran steadily on, while Hector, panting, breathless, and fatigued, kept close at his heels.

The pursuers were gaining on them at every step, and our heroes were just on the point of calling on Gordon to halt, and meet them with him, when suddenly the latter said—

"Now, keep to the left, move cautiously, and we are safe."

As he spoke, Gordon turned and walked toward the burn. Hector followed, and after he had proceeded a step or two in that direction found himself crossing a narrow bridge by which the burn was spanned.

The pursuers were very close now; but Hector saw that a man single-handed could easily dispute the passage, and hope began to revive within him.

Flora Mechanics' Institute.

The annual meeting was held last week, Dr. Pentland, the President, in the chair. The by-laws were amended to admit persons under 18 years of age as junior members in certain circumstances. The election of officers for the incoming year resulted as follows:—President—D. Boyle; Vice-Presidents—First, John McDonald; second, Rev. C. E. Thomson; Secretary and Librarian—R. Mitchell; Treasurer—J. Godfrey; Committee—E. H. Newman, H. Clarke, J. H. Kenning, W. R. Pentland, M. Deane, J. Smith, W. Snyder, J. Chambers, W. Crackle, M. O. Macgregor; Auditors—W. T. Smith, T. Connon.

The following resolution was also passed:—"That the Committee be authorized to open a reading room provided that 50 subscribers be obtained therefor, at \$1 each if members of the Institute, or \$1.50 if for the reading room only."

The library now comprises 1,409 volumes. 879 of these have been added by purchase and donation during the year. There have been over 2,000 volumes taken out of the library during the year. The lectures last winter were not appreciated, neither were they successful in organizing classes. Owing to a desire to obtain from Government as large a grant as possible, the Institute spent more for books than their resources allowed, and are behind in making up the Librarian's salary.

There are now on the roll 134 names, of these 4 have never taken out any books and 4 or 5 more have only taken out very few, which will make the number of regular readers 125, giving an average for the year of 19 volumes to each of those 125. The kind of books most called for is light reading, but the desire seems to be growing for works of a more substantial character.

The Treasurer's book showed the total receipts of the year to be \$555.65, in addition to \$10.08 on hand from the previous year; and the payments \$544.01, leaving a balance on hand of \$21.72. But there are liabilities amounting to \$46.70, making a deficit of \$24.98.

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(Guelph, Sept. 15, 1873.)

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