

ANNABEL

OR—
THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XXIV.

PHILIP WESTON AND JIM POTTS IN THE PARADISE.

At length the great hiss, the preconcerted signal, was given, and, as might have been expected, by Stevie, who silently pointed with his finger to a part of the forest where a clump of trees extended in a semi-circle beyond the rest.

Philip and Jim strained their eyes in the direction indicated, but without seeing the dark clustering forms which the more trained vision of the trapper had detected, and it was not till these emerged from the black shadow of the trees, and congregated on the edge of the prairie, that they became visible to the two Englishmen. Then, however, they also saw the Indians moving slowly out upon the open in a close, compact body. Scarcely were they fairly into sight when they came to a stand, and seemed to be deliberating.

"Now the Lord prevent that they should camp on that air spot," was Stevie's mental ejaculation.

The fear that prompted such a fervent prayer was not unfounded, for should the savages remain in the vicinity till daylight the occupants of the tree were almost certain to be discovered, when as certainly their doom would be sealed, for it was vain to hope to contend successfully against such a host as was clustering within view. Stevie guessed that there must be within one and two hundred of them, and by their movements and the silence they maintained he divined that they were bent on a warlike expedition, although at that distance he could not make out the manner in which they were armed or the tribe to which they belonged.

The Indians had come to a halt, and stood apparently in close deliberation. Stevie, from his knowledge of his movements of such savages, was in the hope that, if they were on the march and aiming for some point farther on, they would not rest there for the night, but would cross the open prairie under cover of the darkness, when the enemy against whom their movements were directed might fail to notice their approach.

The trapper's sagacity was not at fault nor his hope falsified, for after standing for several minutes in seeming consultation, they began to move forward, though his fears were again excited when he found that the course they took would would bring them very close to their hiding place.

"If we make so much as a leaf to rustle they'll hear it," he whispered.

His caution was fully understood by Philip and Jim, who kept motionless as statues, though their eyes followed with a dread fascination the march of the warriors, who were now so close that their individual figures could be scanned, as with stately and majestic steps they moved along, at once picturesque and picturesque and fearful in their war dress—their bodies painted red, their heads plumed with feathers, all fully armed with rifle, tomahawk, and club, and most of them carrying at their girdle ghastly trophies of their prowess, in the form of scalps which dangled about them in horrible adornment.

Now that they were so near, Stevie saw that they were a party of Chickasaws—a ferocious tribe whose hunting grounds were in that region, and whose hostility to the white settlers was of the fiercest description—parties of them having repeatedly attacked the outlying settlements, and perpetrated horrid cruelties on such as fell into their hands. Indeed, the settlement of the region could not have progressed even in the slow manner in which it was proceeding with had it not been for the more friendly Cherokees, another Indian tribe whose hunting grounds were also in Kentucky, and between whom and the Chickasaws a deadly feud subsisted.

At a quick pace, and with no more noise than was made by their unshod feet, they moved forward, their course bringing them perilously near the tree on which our friends sat. The trapper's anxiety was at the moment extreme, for he dreaded the slightest motion on the part of his companions, which, if it took place, was certain to draw attention. His confidence rose when he found them keeping as still as himself, though the savages were now close at hand—the foremost indeed being already past, and the line of march for the whole body being such that in a few minutes more they would be withdrawn from their vicinity.

It was Stevie himself who nearly betrayed them by the start which involuntarily escaped him at a fact which he alone noticed—the appearance of two white men along with the Indians, and not as prisoners, for they walked freely as members of the party. One was a stout, broad-shouldered fellow, whom Stevie did not know, but the other he was nearly certain was Gomez, the half-breed. This was a discovery which filled him with extreme wonder, and caused him fruitless conjecture, for it was vain that he tried to imagine the purpose for which these two were accompanying the Indians, who were undoubtedly on the war-path, and bent on some hostile expedition.

The circumstance served to occupy his thoughts till the band had glided past, and were already well away into the darkness, their sable forms growing into one compact mass as they receded into the faint dimness of the prairie.

So intent were all three in watching their receding steps that they did not observe a dark object issue from the forest immediately behind, and coming gliding on in their exact direction.

The trapper's quick ear caught the rustle of the footstep, not, however, until the Indian was immediately below, and too late to give the others warning. The next moment Jim Potts and Philip heard the sound likewise, and looking down saw the dark object at the very foot of the tree.

Philip kept his presence of mind with admirable success, but Jim unfortunately gave a start, which shook the smaller twigs around him.

In a moment the Indian stood still and gazed up into the tree. He had a bow in his hand, and a shaft of arrows over his left shoulder. With noiseless celerity he plucked one from its place, fitted it to the bow, and the next moment it flew aloft and stuck fast in the very branch on which Jim sat.

Stevie Redshanks gave them all a lost, and sat waiting for the shrill war-which would ring out upon the silence, and bring the party of Indians back upon them, in which event their escape would be impossible.

Miss Susan Anthony is sentenced to pay a fine of \$100, and costs of prosecution for voting in the last election.

Just received at the Golden Lion—Chance & Williamson's—one case of hosiery in all sizes and colours. The best make of hosiery kept at the Lion.

Go to the Lion for lace and muslin curtains.—Chance & Williamson.

GRENADINES AND MUSLINS!

GEORGE JEFFREY

Will show to-day (Saturday) the largest stock of Grenadines and Muslins ever offered to the public before, and at prices which must convince every one that they are less than half price:

Black & white Striped Grenadines, 12½c worth 25c | Silver grey Granite Grenadines, - 15c, worth 30c
Black and Colored Striped Grenadines, 12½c, - - - - - worth 25c | Iron grey Granite Grenadines, 15c, - - - - - worth 30c
Light Striped Grenadines, 20c, - - - - - worth 40c.

Also, a beautiful assortment of Printed Book Muslins; French Printed Batiste in every color.

PARASOLS, PARASOLS, PARASOLS.

Over 20 Dozen Silk and Lustre Parasols, 25c, worth 75c; Over 10 Dozen Fancy Colored PARASOLS, 50c WORTH 75c;
Over 10 doz. Brown Lined Silk do., \$1.00; usual price \$2.25.

Thomson's Glove Fitting Stays, every size.

GUELPH, JUNE 7, 1873.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.



GLAD TIDINGS FOR THE PEOPLE!

On Saturday, June 7th, 1873, we will commence at

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS---THE GREAT BRITANNIA HOUSE,

The Grandest and Most Extensive Cheap Sale of Dry Goods that has ever taken place in Canada.

Heffernan Bros. have great pleasure in announcing to the public that on Saturday, June 7th, they will commence at their store, "The GREAT BRITANNIA HOUSE," the biggest genuine sale ever attempted in Canada. Our Mr. Thos. Heffernan will leave about the second week in July for Europe, where he intends visiting the leading markets of the world, to make purchases for the coming Fall and Winter Trade. In order to make room for the immense stock he will secure while in Great Britain and Ireland, France and Germany, we have determined to offer the whole of our present stock, consisting of over \$75,000 worth of the most desirable Dry Goods in the Dominion, at an immense sacrifice, and at prices that defy competition. Want of room in this small advertisement prevents us from giving a full catalogue of prices. Look at a few of the prices:

50 to 75c Dress Goods at 20 to 25c; 30 to 40c do. at 10 to 12½c; 40c Flannels at 20c; 20c Prints at 12½c; \$1 Hats at 25c; 75c do at 12½c.

AND ALL OTHER GOODS EQUALLY CHEAP.

CASH, CASH, CASH!

This is positively a Cash Sale, and no goods will be charged while the Great Clearing Sale continues. Inspection invited: we invite every one to call and inspect our stock, compare our prices, and be convinced that the Great Britannia House is the

Mammoth Cheap Store and Leading Dry Goods Establishment in Guelph.

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NOTED FOR CHEAP DRY GOODS.

GUELPH

PHARMACY.

The Old Store formerly occupied by A. B. Petrie, re-opened.

Herod & Co., Proprietors

No expense has been spared in the fitting up so as to make it as a Retail Drug Establishment second to none in the Dominion.

Great care and attention has been paid to the purchasing of stock, having only one aim in view: that every article selected should be pure and unadulterated, quality being esteemed of the first importance.

The stock of Hair Brushes, Toilet Articles and Perfumery, has been imported direct from England and France.

Dyes and Dye Stuffs warranted, and guaranteed to be of the first quality.

None but the most reliable and leading Patent Medicines in stock, obtained direct from the Proprietors and Manufacturers.

A specialty in Cod Liver Oil, direct from Newfoundland. None kept in stock except No. 1, and of the finest quality.

A full assortment of Trusses, Shoulder Braces, Supporters, etc., etc., at the lowest rates.

Physicians and parties requiring prescriptions may depend on their being accurately and neatly compounded, and prepared from nothing but pure drugs and chemicals.

REMEMBER—The OLD STORE formerly occupied by A. B. Petrie, re-opened by

HEROD & Co.

Guelph, May 16, 1873.

THE

New Confectionery Store

The subscribers in thanking the public for their patronage since they started business, beg to announce that they have now in operation their new

SODA FOUNTAIN

Where the most delicious beverages can at all times be had.

THEY have also opened their

ICE CREAM ROOMS

Over the store, where Ice Cream can be served at all hours of the day. Ice Cream supplied by the quart gallon. Biscuits, Nuts, Cakes, Candies, and all kinds of Confectionery constantly on hand. BRIDE'S CAKES made to order.

WARNER & SUTTON,

Wyntham Street, next door to Petrie's Drug Store. Guelph, May 28, 1873

SELLING OFF

In the matter of John A. McMillan, an Insolvent.

Tremendous Stock to be Cleared Out AT COST.

Cheapest Boots and Shoes Ever Shown in Guelph.

CALL IN AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES.

Ladies Prunella Work of all kinds.

WM. McLaren, Assignee.

Guelph May 28 1873.

CHOICE MIXED TEA

For 50 Cents per lb.

11 lbs GOOD SUGAR for \$1.00

J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL

White Dress Shirts,

Oxford and Regatta Shirts, With Collars to match.

Particular attention paid to this Department, and any style of Shirt made to measure, and PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.

SHAW & MURKON,

Wyndham St., Guelph.

Guelph, April 29, 1873

JUST OPENED AT

PETRIE'S

NEW

DRUG STORE

A Bale of

BOAT SPONGE, Which will be sold at half the usual price.

TRY

Lloyd's Euxesis

For Shaving, without the use of Soap or Water.

SOLD AT PETRIE'S NEW STORE.

JUST RECEIVED, a further supply of

Walker's Vinegar Bitters,

To meet the extraordinary demand for this popular Temperance Bitter, containing no alcohol.

GET THE BEST!

Savage's German Baking Powder

Is superior to any in the market.

SODA WATER

The Best Soda Water and finest Syrups at

PETRIE'S NEW STORE.

A liberal discount to those buying tickets.

Don't forget: Removed to larger and better premises nearly opposite the old store.

NEW GOODS.

GIFTS

MRS. WRIGHT

Begs to inform her numerous customers and the public that she has just received a nice variety of

Toys and other Fancy Goods

Suitable for the Season.

MRS. WRIGHT,

UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.

Next to the Wellington Hotel.

Guelph, Jan. 25, 1873.

THE MEDICAL HALL

That Magnificent

FOUNTAIN

IS AGAIN

In full Operation

—AT—

THE MEDICAL HALL.

To the Public:

In again putting in operation our "Zenith" Soda Apparatus, we feel obliged to express our thanks to the Public for the liberal patronage bestowed upon our Fountain last season, and the appreciation of our endeavors to make our "Zenith" similar in all respects to the rest of the Establishment, which has always, and still retains its well deserved character of being the most reliable and leading Drug Store in Guelph.

E. HARVEY & Co.

Corner Wyndham and Macdonnell-streets, Guelph.

Guelph, May 19, 1873.

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JAMES CORMACK,

Tailor and Clothier,

Begs to announce to his customers and the public the arrival of his

SPRING IMPORTATIONS

His stock is now complete in

BROADCLOTHS.

Fancy COATIN

Fancy VESTINGS,

Fancy TROUSERINGS,

English and Scotch Tweeds

Also, a large and varied stock of

CANADIAN TWEEDS.

Ready-made Clothing, Boy's Suits;

Gent's Furnishing Goods of the best quality and latest styles.

No. 1, Wyndham Street.