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ANNABEL
—OR—
THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XXIV.
PHILIP WESTON AND JIM POTTS IN THE FAR WEST.

This arrangement was not so secretly made as to be excluded from the knowledge of Yorke. There was a certain ill-favored fellow, a trapper too, named Gomez, a half-breed, possessed of all mean and despicable qualities, with whom Yorke associated, and who undertook to watch the motions of Philip and Jim, and gather information of their intentions. This man soon got to know of the arrival of Steve Redbanks, of the information he had given concerning Jerry, and of the arrangement the trapper had made with Philip to go with them to the frontier.

No sooner had the latter departed on their journey than Gomez and the thick-set, red-haired man who had been present at the interviews at Yorke's, and who was none other than Sam Lorton, set off also in their wake, stealthily following them at a safe distance, and keeping close on their track without their presence being known to the objects of their attention.

Profoundly ignorant of the espionage to which they were subjected, Philip and Jim, with Steve as their conductor, explored the shores of Lakes Erie and Ontario till, as before stated, they learned that Jerry was at one of the Kentucky settlements, and departed to journey thither in the prosecution of their mission. It was not till several days after they were gone that Gomez and Sam Lorton became aware of their departure, and whither they were bound. No sooner had they learned it, however, than they did not hesitate to follow, though, from the time which had been lost, Steve and his companions had gained such a distance in advance that they could not follow so closely as before.

Such was the state of matters when we come upon them bivouacking for the night under the tree. Though still a long distance from the great river of Kentucky, to which they were bound, and where they hoped to find Jerry just, their journey was, comparatively speaking, well nigh accomplished. The space they had still to go was a wide region, stretching through the forest and extending beyond immense prairie plains, but compared with the distance they had already traveled it was nothing. Only there was this difference: their way hitherto, though long and arduous, had been free from any great peril. But now they were fully aware that they were passing into a region where every day their situation was rendered more dangerous, and where at any time they might encounter bands of Indians of hostile character. As yet their path had been free and unmolested, but the war trail they had that afternoon crossed gave them to understand that the Redskins were near, and that they must use every precaution to keep out of their hands.

These were the only human foes they had any idea of encountering, no suspicion being in the minds of any of the three that other foes were stealing silently in their track, whose machinations were specially directed against themselves and the purpose for which they had come into that boundless solitude.

The three were clad in the regular hunter's garb, with leather leggings reaching nearly to the thighs, grey coats, and broad-brimmed hats to protect their faces from the fierce rays of the sun. Each was also well armed, with a knife and pistols stuck in their belts, and a rifle lying by their side, loaded and ready to be grasped at a moment's notice. The situation was neither strange nor unpleasant to Steve, but Philip and Jim were rather anxious and excited, and lay with hearts that beat faster than usual listening to the strange night sounds which came to them from the forest behind and the far-reaching prairie in front. As for Steve, he lay with his head against the trunk of the tree, seemingly asleep, but in reality the most alert of the three, for his experience of the stealthy motions of the Indians had given him the habit of close watchfulness in all situations similar to the present.

The thoughts and sensations of Philip Weston, as he lay there, silent and still, with upturned face, watching the stars through the branches, and listening to the solemn night sounds of the American wilderness, were strange and peculiar. Strong and deep impressions came upon his soul, cast there by the place and its surroundings, and by the possible danger to which they were exposed. From the depths of the forest and the far reaches of the level plain came at intervals the cries of animals never to be heard in England—fierce howls and sharp startling screams, and crashes of falling trees, though there was no wind to produce such an effect; then a great hush of silence would follow, to be broken ere long, in the same weird and sudden manner, with harsh and discordant voices. It was natural that in such a situation his thoughts should turn to his native land and Annabel, from whom he was so far separated. He had of course received no intelligence from Rockstone, and knew nothing of the danger and suffering to which his darling was exposed. He fancied her companioned only by sad and solitary thoughts, caused by his absence; but, fortunately for his own peace, dreamt not that she was being made the victim of the cruellest plots that ever was devised.

Jim Potts, too, we may be sure, was occupied by similar thoughts. Indeed, we have proof of this fact by the whispered observation which escaped him at the end of a long period of silence which had been maintained.

"Was a very wonderful country this here America is, Master Philip," he said, not, however, until he had turned his head and made sure that Philip was not asleep.

"Very wonderful, indeed, Jim," responded the latter. "Would you prefer it to England?"

"Can't say as I would, sir; on the whole, though, I don't know but I would take to it in time. This here part, that's not got settled, wouldn't take my fancy much, being too big and solitary for my taste; but some of the towns we have seen are uncommon brisk. I could spend all my life in seeing them."

"Could you, indeed, Jim? But what would Sally Primrose do if you thought of that? Would you send for her?"

"Bless you, sir, I wasn't thinking of doing anything of the sort. Though this here America is a mighty place, and is bound to be very much greater by the time they get such regions as this lived on by different people from them red savages. I ain't tired of Old England. Not a bit on it, sir. But I say, Master Philip, wot would Miss Annabel and Sally say if they could see us now?"

"Ah, what, indeed, Jim? They'd think we were in a deplorable case, lying under this tree all the night, with wild beasts howling round us, and some of those red savages you mention prowling near at hand. Fortunately they don't know it, Jim; and I hope, when they do learn it,

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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.

HEFFERNAN BROS.

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 the 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 are at all times to be had.

THEY have also opened their

ICE CREAM ROOMS

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

WARNER & SUTTON,

Wyndham 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 a

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.

SHAW & MURTON,

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

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 endeavours 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.

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 COATINGS.

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.