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NORAH CUSHALEEN

HAUNTED CASTLE.

CHAPTER XLV.—THE UNSUCCESSFUL SEARCH—THE SQUIRE AND HIS DAUGHTER.

Malvin Blantire, with his companions the factor and the priest, did not return to the ruin in very great haste. Where there is a belief in the presence of the supernatural, it is always accompanied with a strong feeling of fear, and this fear all three now experienced. They had resolved to go back, in order that they might regain possession of Mary; but it was with timorous, nervous feelings, and the nearer they came to the ruin, they huddled closer together, and their footsteps became slower and more stealthy.

When they came to the end of the path and to the border of the level open space, they stood still and listened, their hearts beating violently all the while. The stillness of night reigned over the lonely scene, the rain, too before them in perfect silence, and a faint light came from the narrow loophole which let air and sunshine into the chamber in the tower. This light they knew to proceed from the torches which they themselves had lighted.

'Go forward; we'll follow,' whispered O'Brady to Malvin.
'Couldn't we go ahead,' suggested Malvin, 'as better still, let Father Daly go first. He should know how to lay a ghost.'
'I've forgot my beads,' muttered the priest. 'But I'm content to go directly step by step, and while you look after the girl, I'll look after the wine.'
'Come, then,' said Blantire. 'Don't let us dally any longer here. Mary might have fled and be half way down the mountain.'
'That's impossible,' observed O'Brady 'unless she has taken the path to the beach; and it will be long before she reaches Kendal Castle in that direction.'
'My opinion is that she'll be lying on the floor, killed entirely with fright,' said Father Daly.

After a little further hesitation, the party ventured across the open space, and reached the low door of entrance, which stood wide open, just as they had left it. Here again there was a pause of trembling nervousness. The passage was full of black impenetrable gloom, and the heated fancy of the three frightened men peopled it with phantoms.
'Curse it,' said Malvin, 'at length, through his set teeth. I'll go, if Beelzebub himself is in the way. A spirit can't be more powerful out of the flesh than in the flesh.'
With desperate recklessness succeeding now to guilty terror, Malvin dashed along the passage with the others at his heels. He rushed up the stair and stood on the threshold of the lighted chamber. It was empty.

'Gone—she's gone!' he exclaimed.
'Is it the ghost you mean?' asked his reverence.
'No, it's Mary,' returned Blantire.—
'She has fled, and how are we to find her in the darkness?'
'She can only be gone one road—to the sea,' said O'Brady. 'By the powers but it will give us a deal of trouble to go and fetch her. I, for one, don't know the road.'
'I do,' returned Malvin moodily. 'He thought of the last time he had travelled it, when he conveyed Norah to the beach to meet her doom.'
'She can't have gone far yet,' remarked the factor; 'we may overtake her—Quick, let us be gone.'
'For the love of heaven, stop!' cried his reverence, who was busy collecting the bottles. 'Mr. O'Brady, stop just one moment.'
But the factor, mindful of the priest's appeal, took no notice of the remark, and departed along with Blantire, who was already half-way down the stairs.

'Let us look into this lower chamber,' said O'Brady; 'She may be lurking there.'
This suggestion was followed out, but, of course, without success. It was empty like the chamber above.
The torch was now extinguished, and they quitted the ruin, taking the way which led to the beach.
Norah had stood breathless with alarm behind the closed door of her sanctum during the few minutes occupied by this second visitation, and was thankful beyond expression when she heard them depart. It was not, however, until the full morning light was shed over the earth that she ventured forth and went down to fasten the oaken door below as firmly as she could. The bolts were now of no avail, for the lintel was shattered, but after closing it carefully, she collected a number of stones, which were strewn around, and piled them behind it. This she deemed security sufficient, for she did not think that she would again be disturbed. Neither Malvin nor his companion would be likely to come again to the spot, and no casual visitor had yet approached it.

Of course we don't require to inform the reader that the three worthies did not succeed in overtaking Mary. Before they gained the beach she had embarked with Terry and Andrew in the boat, and they, utterly mystified as to the course she had taken, made the best of their way into the valley.
'At the time when they came down to the region of cultivation and fertility, the object of their fruitless search was approaching the gates of Kendal Castle, her heart full of strong, conflicting emotions. The adventure of the night had been a terrible one. A miracle, as she believed, a direct interposition from the other world, had saved her from being the victim of a base and murderous plot, which she had not the slightest doubt had been sanctioned by her father.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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