A Cast for Fortune

By Christian Reid,

AUTHOR OF "VALERIE AYLMER," "A DAUGHTER OF BOHEMIA," "HEART OF STEEL," "BONNY KATE," ETC.

Having said this, he turned and walked away. It was the only thing to do, for he felt that his own anger was rising, and he knew that nothing could have been more inadvisable than an altercation with Fernandez. In fact, as cooler thought came to him he was conscious that he had been rush to speak so openly and decidedly. A little diplomacy would have been better. He might have deferred his decision until they returned to Guadalajara. But it was too late to think of that now; and as he walked down the bank of the stream toward the mules and the mozos, he thought ruefully that his first effort in Mexico seemed likely to prove a fisco in every respect.

While he stood idly watching the whirling water on its course, Senor Aranda came down the path and said a few words to the two attendants. They at once began to saddle the animals, and it was evident that an order for departure had been given. This was a relief; and as Derwent moved forward to lend a helping hand, hoof-strokes sounded again on the rocky descent behind him. He turned in time to see the powerful black horse and his rider pass, and to receive a courteous salutation. Whether or not Fernandez had rightly interpreted him to Barrera—and this he knew was doubtful—the latter obviously did not include him in his anger. There was something almost friendly in the "Adios, senor," with which he passed.

But there was nothing friendly in the air and manner of Fernandez when he appeared. If Derwent had ever doubted what was in the man, he saw it now, saw the bitter and implacable enmity of which he was capable in lowering brow and angry glance. There were no words exchanged. Derwent would have been glad to be courteous as long as the exigencies of their journey threw them together; but Fernandez for once seemed unable to put any constraint upon himself or else did not care to exercise it. He mounted silently and rode off with Aranda, leaving Derwent to follow with the mozos.

As they passed down the canada, the young man turned in his saddle and looked back at the majestic peak the first appearance of which had so fascinated him. It formed a beautiful picture for his parting glance, standing in stately isolation at the head of the gorge, its noble summit bathed in golden sunshine, while the purple shadows of late afternoon had gathered in the deep chasms around its base. Knowing just where to look, his eye caught the light gleam of the great lode running across the mighty slope; and with a pang of disappointment keener than he had reckoned upon, he bade adieu to the hopes which it had kindled.

Since there was only an hour or two of daylight remaining, they made as much haste as possible out of the barranca, and then, turning from the direct road, took their way to a ranch on the slope of the mountains, where Senor Aranda had made arrangements for them to spend the night.

The next morning Fernandez proved to be in the same mood as on the preceeding evening, saying only such few words as were necessary for interpretation and direction; so Derwent, as he swung himself into his saddle, thought without much cheerfulness of the long, silent ride before him, for they hoped to make Eitzatlan by night. But the ride was not destined to be so silent as he had anticipated. Fernandez came to his side, and, observing that they had both been somewhat hasty the day before, purposed to explain fully the whole history of the bond. It would have been a brutal incivility, of which Derwent was incapable, to tell the man that he distrusted his statements altogether; so he listened to a sketch of Barrera's impracticable and fiery disposition, of the desire of the other owners to sell the mine, of the difficulty they had in inducing him to consent to a sale, and of the manner in which he had since endeavored to embarrass their efforts. On abstract grounds Derwent agreed that it was hard that one man should have power to annoy others and injure their interests; but he said to himself that he was by no means sure on which side the injury lay, and he altogether declined to reconsider his own decision. The result was finally the exchange of a few angry words which cut deeply on each side, and then the two men parted, Fernandez to join Senor Aranda, and Derwent to soothe himself with a cigar alone.

At noon they halted for a short rest and refreshment by the side of the only water on their road. They were in the midst of a very wild and desolate country, surrounded by mountains, with a savage-looking defile before them, through which their road lay. "What an inviting place for brigands!" thought Derwent, regarding the narrow pass and frowning heights. But, knowing how sternly this little amusement had been put down in the country, he had no apprehensions of anything of the kind. The thought was merely suggested by the recollection of the many bloody deeds which such localities had witnessed in times past. It was not even strong enough to deter him, a little later, from falling behind the rest of the party, as they passed down a barranca with a steep mountain strewn with rocks on one side and a precipice which dropped two thousand feet deep on the other. The road at this point descended so sharply that Derwent, to relieve himself as well as his mule, dismounted and walked, with the animal following close behind him. It was a dangerous place, for the almost precipitous incline of the road was strewn with fragments of boulders from the mountain above; and his attention was altogether fixed upon the path, when the sudden falling of a rock immediately before him caused him to look quickly up the mountain-side. There was only time for a glance, a glance which showed him the partially-concealed form of a man behind a great boulder, when there came a flash, a report, a burning pain in his shoulder, and simultaneously the frightened mule dashed past, knocking him off his feet. He was conscious of falling down the precipice, of throwing out his hands wildly to save himself, of a crushing blow upon the head; and darkness followed.

CHAPTER VI.

It was with a very strange sensation that Derwent came back to consciousness. He roused from stupor with a sense of fire applied to his shoulder and to his throat. The first resolved itself into the agonizing pain of his wound, as he was lifted to a partially-sitting posture by a strong arm underneath him, and the second to a liquid which was being cautiously poured down his throat. He opened his eyes and looked up, to see a brown, solicitous face above him, and to inhale the odor of brandy from a bottle held to his lips.

"Ah! it has brought him to life," said the person administering this remedy, in a tone of satisfaction, and also in Spanish. "A little more, senor—a little more."

But Derwent shook his head and closed his lips. He was, in fact, almost strangled by the liquid, which had nevertheless served its purpose in bringing him back to a knowledge of his surroundings. He lifted himself to a more upright position, in order to relieve the terrible pain in his shoulder, and looked about him.

He found himself in the midst of a group of men and horses, among whom were none of his party. All were strangers, all apparently Mexicans, as indeed what else was likely in this remote part of the country? and a sense of despair seized him as he thought of his inability to make himself understood by them. Looking up, with his eyes expressive of the suffering he was enduring, he could only touch his shoulder and say, "I have been shot—here."

"English. I thought so," said another voice. And then out of the group of faces which seemed to swim around him, one bent over him which had a vaguely familiar look, a face deeply sunburned, yet fair underneath the tan, as was proved by the dark-blue eyes and the luxuriant brown beard. The exclamation which this person uttered had been in Spanish, but he now spoke to the young man in his own tongue.

"The wound is in your shoulder," he said. "Yes, I see you have bled copiously. Lie down while we cut away your coat and bandage it."

Derwent was very glad to obey this direction, for blackness was gathering around him again. He had lost a quantity of blood, and this, together with the blow on the head which he had received in falling, made him feel very faint. He lay down obediently, and the stranger began to cut away the clothing from his wound in a very practiced manner. He muttered several comments in Spanish when he saw the wound; but he bandaged is skillfully, administered to Derwent another dose of the stimulant, and then asked him how he had been shot.

(To be Continued.)

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On Tuesday, Aug. 11, the Presbytery of London met in Knox Church, Aylmer, to induct Rev. Dr. Thompson, late of the Proof Line, to the pastoral charge of Aylmer and Springfield. A large congregation met to witness the proceedings. Rev. Wm. A. Cook, of Dorchester, preached a clear and well chosen sermon from the text, "Thou Hast a Little Strength," Revelations iii., 8. The speaker discoursed on the distinguishing elements of a strong church. After the sermon the usual induction ceremony was proceeded with by the moderator, Rev. E. Sawers, of Westminster. Rev. E. Sawers then addressed the new pastor, and Rev. W. A. Cook spoke to the people, Rev. Mr. Cullen, of the Methodist Church, Aylmer, pronounced the benediction. In the evening the congregation and other friends again gathered to give a welcome to the new pastor and his estimable help-mate. John McMaster did the honors of chairman and kept the audience in good form with his trite remarks, he at the outset having given a resume of the history of the charge, which showed that Dr. Thompson had come amongst an earnest, Christian people, and that the prospects of the charge were of the most promising nature. Following him the audience was entertained by an eloquent speech from Rev. Mr. Sawers, of Westminster. Then the Rev. Mr. Cullen, one of the local clergymen, infused some hilarity into the audience by his happy remarks, and showed forth a brotherly and kindly Christian spirit in his welcome to Dr. Thompson. Mr. Card, who represented the rector of the Episcopalian congregation of the town, who was unavoidably absent, in a happy way extended also to Dr. Thompson a warm welcome in the name of the rector and his congregation.

Rev. W. A. Cook, of Dorchester, an old fellow student, of Dr. Thompson, and a former pastor of the congregation of Aylmer, spoke at considerable length concerning the high intellectual and spiritual attainments of the new minister and of the estimable qualities of the congregation and people of Aylmer. As he said, he occupied the unique position of being personally acquainted with both pastor and people for a number of years, and so was enabled to say more than his brethren occupying the platform with him.

After Mr. Cook closed his cordial address the new pastor was called on to say a few words to his people. He delighted his audience by his neat and highly appreciative remarks, and having thanked his people for their kindly speeches, he predicted for himself and church much blessing and success under the guidance of the great triune Jehovah, who was king and head of the church.

THE FALL FAIRS.

When and Where They Will Be Held This Year.

Detroit International	Aug. 25-Sept. 4
Lansing State Fair	Sept. 7-11
Toronto Industrial	Sept. 7-19
Zurich	Sept. 11-15
St. Thomas	Sept. 15-17
Lucan	Sept. 16-17
Goderich	Sept. 16-18
London Western Fair	**Sept. 17-26**
St. Catharines	Sept. 21-23
Brantford	Sept. 21-22
Wellesley	Sept. 22-23
Guelph Central	Sept. 22-24
Paisley	Sept. 22-24
Ottawa Central	Sept. 23-Oct. 2
Mitchell	Sept. 23-24
Tilsonburg	Sept. 24-25
Exeter	Sept. 28-29
Palmerston	Sept. 28-29
Aylmer	Sept. 28-30
Clinton	Sept. 28-30
Berlin	Sept. 29-30
Woodstock	Sept. 29-30
Wingham	Sept. 29-30
Wyoming	Sept. 29-30
Ailsa Craig	Sept. 29-30
Brampton	Sept. 29-30
Cayuga	Sept. 29-30
Smithville	Sept. 29-30
Chatham	Sept. 29-Oct. 1
Walkerton	Sept. 29-Oct. 2
Collingwood	Sept. 29-Oct. 2
Belmont	Oct. 1-2
Forest	Oct. 1-2
Arthur	Oct. 1-2
Galt	Oct. 1-2
Rockwood	Oct. 1-2
Seaforth	Oct. 1-2
Wallacetown	Oct. 1-2
Stratford	Oct. 1-2
Springfield	Oct. 2-3
Petrolea	Oct. 2-3
Otterville	Oct. 2-3
Ridgetown	Oct. 5-7
Mooretown	Oct. 6
Paris	Oct. 6-7
Welland	Oct. 6-7
Ingersoll	Oct. 7-8
Norwich	Oct. 7-8
Tilbury East	Oct. 7-8
Elora	Oct. 8-9
Orangeville	Oct. 8-9
Underwood	Oct. 9
Simcoe	Oct. 13 14
Port Elgin	Oct. 14-15
Burford	Oct. 15-16

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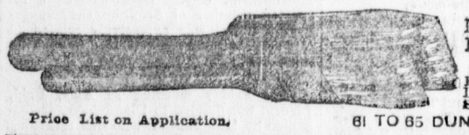
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MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

LONDON TIME.

Canada Southern Division—Going East.

	Leave London	Leave St. Thomas
North Shore Limited (daily)	8:30 p.m.	11:00 p.m
N. Y. Express (daily)	8:30 p.m.	3:05 a.m
American Express (except Monday)	9:50 a.m.	11:15 a.m
Atlantic Express (daily)	9:50 a.m.	1:00 p.m
Mail (except Sundays)	2:25 p.m.	3:15 p.m
Limited Express (daily)	8:50 p.m.	2:05 a.m
N. Y. and Boston Express (daily)	2:25 p.m.	5:05 p.m
Accom'd'n (except Sunday)	8:30 p.m.	7:00 a.m

Canada Southern Division—Going West.

North Shore Limited (daily)	8:30 p.m.	7:23 a.m
Chicago Express (daily)	8:30 p.m.	5:05 a.m
Chicago L't'd Exp. (daily)	9:50 a.m.	10:55 a.m
American Express (except Mondays)	9:50 a.m.	1:35 p.m
Mail (except Sundays)	2:25 p.m.	3:10 p.m
Pacific Express (daily)	2:25 p.m.	5:45 p.m
Accom'd'n (except Sunday)	8:30 p.m.	7:40 a.m

[NOTE.—No trains to or from London on Sundays.]

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GRAND TRUNK—Southern Division

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MAIN LINE—Going East

	ARRIVE.	DEPART
Limited Express (A)	3:35 a.m.	3:55 a.m
Mail	.....	6:00 a.m
Atlantic Express (A)	12:05 p.m.	12:10 p.m
Day Express	10:50 a.m.	2:20 p.m
St. Louis Express (A) (D)	4:20 p.m.	4:25 p.m
Mixed—No. 28 Freight (C)	6:45 p.m.	6:50 p.m
Erie Limited	11:20 p.m.	11:40 p.m

MAIN LINE—Going West.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Chicago Express (A)	5:10 a.m.	5:30 a.m.
West End Mixed	.....	6:45 a.m
Erie Limited	11:00 a.m.	.....
St. Louis Express (A)	11:20 a.m.	11:30 a.m
Accommodation	12:40 p.m.	2:15 p.m
Pacific Express (A)	6:50 p.m.	7:10 p.m
Mail	9:55 p.m.	.....
Accommodation	.....	7:20 p.m

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Limited Express (B)	3:50 a.m.	.....
Atlantic Express (B)	11:45 a.m.	.....
Accommodation	2:15 p.m.	.....
Accommodation	8:45 p.m.	.....
Erie Limited (B)	11:35 p.m.	.....

Sarnia Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Chicago Express (B)	.....	6:20 a.m
Accommodation	.....	7:35 a.m
Erie Limited (B)	.....	11:05 a.m
Accommodation	.....	2:30 p.m
Pacific Express (B)	.....	7:00 p.m

London, Huron and Bruce.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Express	10:15 a.m.	8:05 a.m
Mail	6:45 p.m.	4:25 p.m

London and Port Stanley.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Mail	.....	6:40 a.m
Accommodation	7:20 a.m.	9:30 a.m
Mail	2:10 p.m.	5:50 p.m
Accommodation	6:35 p.m.	7:00 p.m
Mixed	6:50 p.m.	.....
Mail	11:15 p.m.	.....

St. Marys and Stratford Branch.

	ARRIVE.	DEPART.
Mixed—Mail	10:55 a.m.	7:35 a.m
Express	3:40 p.m.	2:15 p.m
Express—Mixed	9:30 p.m.	6:00 p.m

Toronto Branch.

Hamilton—Depart—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m
*7:00	6:15	10:50	12:25	4:10	6:40	B*7:00	9:25

Hamilton—Arrive—							
a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m
†12:30	18:50	10:09	†11:10	4:00	6:25	8:15	

* These trains for Montreal.
† These trains from Montreal.
(A) Runs daily, Sundays included.
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Going East.

DEPART—			
London	4:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	5:35 p.m
Woodstock	4:46 a.m.	8:40 a.m.	6:33 p.m
Galt	5:40 a.m.	9:50 a.m.	7:30 p.m
Guelph	9:20 a.m.	11:05 a.m.	8:40 p.m
Toronto	8:15 a.m.	12:00 noon	9:55 p.m
Peterboro	11:45 a.m.	.....	12:13 a.m
Kingston	4:00 p.m.	.....	9:40 p.m
Ottawa	5:45 p.m.	.....	6:00 a.m
Montreal	7.55 p.m.	.....	8:15 a.m
Quebec	6:30 a.m.	.....	3:00 p.m
Portland, Me	8:30 a.m.	.....	8:35 p.m
Boston	8:10 a.m.	.....	8:00 p.m
Halifax, N. S.	11:10 p.m.	.....	.....

Trains arrive from the east at 11:25 a.m., 7:00 p.m., 10:00 p.m.

Going West.

DEPART—			
London	7:00 a.m.	11:35 a.m.	7:05 p.m
ARRIVE—			
Chatham	10:00 a.m.	1:05 p.m.	8:52 p.m
Detroit	.....	2:45 p.m.	10:40 p.m
Chicago	.....	10:15 p.m.	7:20 a.m
St. Louis	.....	7:45 a.m.	6:15 p.m
Kansas City	.....	6:10 p.m.	9:20 a.m

Trains arrive from the west at 3:55 a.m., 12:15 noon, 5:25 p.m.

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ERIE & HURON RAILWAY.

Trains South.

Stations.		Exp	Exp	Mix	Mix
		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Sarnia (G. T. R.)		....	6:10	7:40	....
Courtright		....	5:40	8:20	....
M. C. R. Junction		....	5:45	8:22	....
Chatham (C. P. R.)	arr	....	7:45	10:35	3:30
	dep	7:45	....	10:40	4:40
Fargo (M. C. R.)		8:13	....	2:33	6:16
Blenheim	arr	8:25	....	11:20	5:35

Trains North.

Stations.		Exp	Exp	Mix
		A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Blenheim	dep	8:30	2:55	5:45
Fargo (M. C. R.)		8:43	3:10	6:00
Chatham (C. P. R.)	arr	9:08	3:30	6:2[illegible]
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