

The Rival Clansmen

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XVI.

NEED GORDON MEETS IAN M'KENZIE—A NEW CONSPIRACY.

"Ah, Ned!" said Jeannie, continuing the conversation, "bairns little dream o' what's afore them. Little did I think them o' the misery that I would hae to suffer because I believed a villain's fair words and was enchanted by his smooth, lying tongue."

"An' it's weel for's we dinna, Jeannie. If we saw a' that's afore us it wad cost us many an eerie thought. We think we wad mak' preparation for oor misfortuns; but preparin' for them might cost us mair trouble an' sorrow an' anxiety than the things we had been preparin' for! But cheer ye up, Jeannie, lass; ye'll out-live a' ye've borne yet, an' ha' mony a happy day tae spend. An' your bairnie 'll grow up up a braw an' gallant lass—ane, M'Kenzie though she be, that'll no be inclined to deepen the feud between THE RIVAL CLANSMEN."

"I do hope that M'Kenzie will not be enabled to carry out his purpose of slaying Hector; if he does, it will be a terrible blow for poor Flora. Alas! what fate may then be hers, poor girl!"

"M'Kenzie is a villain, Jeannie; an' he's in company wi' a'ne that's no muckle better than himsel'—that's Donald Cameron of Droghdaireh, Flora's uncle. But it is against M'Kenzie chiefly that we hae the grudge; an' I tell ye what, Jeannie, if I had him here e'neoc, I think I'd pet him in a condition that he needna be feared aifter neither by Hector M'Leod nor ony inter body."

"You shall have an opportunity of doing your utmost, you boasting lowland dog," exclaimed a voice at this moment beside them, and to the surprise of both none other than Ian M'Kenzie sprang from the side of the road in front of them—his head proudly thrown back, and his cap set jauntily upon it, while his lips wore a scornful curl, and his flashing eyes a malignant, triumphant expression. He grasped a pistol in his right hand. Jeannie gave a slight scream, and to say that Gordon himself was not for the moment startled would be slightly to overstate his firmness. But it was only for the moment; the next he was coolly calculating his chances against his opponent. Ian was fully armed with pistol, claymore, and dirk. Ned's arms were a pistol, too, and his trusty cudgel. Another friend he had—his faithful colie Bouncer, who was no mean antagonist. Fixing his eyes keenly upon those of Ian, he replied sternly—

"An' shall tak' advantage of the opportunity you offer. Thinkna that the wids that ye overheard me utter were spoken carelessly. I feel owre deeply for that."

As he spoke he drew his horse close beside Jeannie's, and handing the rein to her continued—

"Here, tak' ye this and ride forrit wi' the horses. For the present this is nae place for you."

The young woman looked into her brother's face, and shuddered as she saw the cloud of terrible wrath gathering on his brow, and instinctively she grasped the reins, and, as Ned suddenly leaped to the ground, urged the beast forward, for she dreaded to witness the terrible conflict which was about to ensue.

"Oh, Ned, take care of yourself," she exclaimed as the horses darted forward—the sight of the fire arms causing her to look to the result of the encounter with grave misgivings.

Ian made a movement forward as if he would obstruct the way and stop the horses, but seeming to change his mind stopped aside, and as Jeannie rode past regarded her with a look of malevolent hatred. Then he turned to Gordon with a mocking bow, and said—

"I promised that day we met on the shore of Loch-Luchart that I would renew the acquaintance then so hastily formed. I am here to listen to what you have to say to me."

"I mean tae exchange but few wids wi' ye, M'Kenzie," was the stern reply. "That day at Loch-Luchart I told you that when next we met you should suffer the brunt of a honest man's vengeance, an' ye'll be lucky if ye escape it the day. I've had it in my head for years, an' am glad o' the chance that's noo afore me. Wids tae you, or such as you, base scoundrel, hae little meemin', and wids frae you are war than that, for they are the wids of a deceitful, black hearted, lying villain."

The two men now stood confronting each other at a distance of little more than four paces apart.

DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO.—The next Annual Convention of the above Association will be held at Belleville, commencing on Wednesday, the 11th of February. The Committee are preparing no pains in order to make this Convention the most profitable of any before held. The services of eminent gentlemen, both from the United States and Canada, having been secured for the occasion. All parties wishing to attend and become members should apply to the Secretary, Mr. J. C. Hegler, of Ingersoll, at once for certificates, on presentation of which to the ticket agent at the different Railway Stations they will be entitled to return tickets at one fare and a third, owing to special arrangements made with the different Railway Companies. These certificates can be had from the Secretary any time between now and the Convention.

COUNTERFEIT MONEY.—We were shown to-day a well executed counterfeit of a Canadian fifty-cent piece, one well calculated to deceive the most careful. We also learn that several of them are in circulation, and we warn our readers to be on their guard against the spurious coin.—St. Kitts News.

The basis of union between the various Presbyterian Churches was voted on in Union Church, Galt, on New Year's day, and was rejected by a number of those present. The same question was taken up by the session of St. Andrew's Church, Galt, on a late Sabbath, and rejected by a majority of two to one.

An inebriate, some little while back, got into a car, and became very troublesome and annoying to the other passengers, so much that it was proposed to eject him; but a kind hearted and reverend doctor, who was also a passenger, interposed for him, and soothed him into good behavior for the remainder of the journey. Before leaving, however, he scowled upon the other occupants and muttered some words of contempt, but shook hands warmly with the doctor, and said, "Good day, my friend; I see you know what it is to be drunk."

Peter Van Dyke, an old chap, who died in New Hampshire the other day, worth \$140,000 in cash, requested in his will that no one "should snuffle and shed godlike tears at his funeral, but cover his eyes and then hurry home to fight over his money."



GREAT MAMMOTH SALE
GEORGE JEFFREY, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

Offers the Balance of his Stock of
Fancy and Staple Dry Goods at an Immense Reduction!
Previous to Stock-taking. Everything must be Cleared Out before the 1st of March.

Remnants of Table Linens, Remnants of Prints, Remnants of Sheetings,
Remnants of Towellings, Remnants of White Cottons.
TO BE RUSHED OFF AT ANY PRICE.
FURS This is the last chance for Cheap Furs, as the balance must be disposed of regardless of cost. A few of these Cheap Dress Goods still on hand, but going fast. Remember this is the Great Remnant Sale of the Season. Parties looking for bargains should call at once. FURS
GUELPH, JAN. 17th, 1874 GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

ALTERATION OF PREMISES
GOODS SELLING
REGARDLESS OF COST.
RICHD CLAYTON
IN ORDER TO CLEAR OUT THE BALANCE OF HIS IMMENSE STOCK OF

DRY GOODS
"HAS RESOLVED"
On and after Saturday, the 3rd of January, 1874,

TO OFFER FOR ONE MONTH HIS ENTIRE STOCK
REGARDLESS OF COST
THE GOODS HAVE ALL BEEN BOUGHT AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICES, AND IT WILL WELL REPAY ANY ONE TO SEE OUR GOODS BEFORE PURCHASING.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING LINES:
Good Factory Cotton for 9 cents;
Good Bleached Cotton for 8 cents;
Horrocks Cotton for 10 cents. See them
Scarlet Flannel for 23 cents.
White Flannel for 25 cents.
Shirting Flannels, good patterns, for 26 cents a yard, well worth 45 cents.
Winceys for 9c, rare value.

Dress Goods in Endless Variety at any price.
MANTLES AND SHAWLS WILL BE SOLD TO SUIT EVERY ONE.
BLANKETS, SHEETINGS, QUILTS,
LACE CURTAINS, WINDOW HOLLANDS, CLOUDS,
BREAKFAST SHAWLS, CROSSOVERS, &c. &c. &c.
Ladies, the above Goods can all be seen by calling at
THE CASH STORE,
Upper Wyndham Street.
No goods advertised but can be seen. Give us a call.
RICHARD CLAYTON,
UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.
Guelph, Jan. 3, 1874

Co-Operative Store.
The Twenty-sixth Quarterly Dividend of 3 per cent. for the Quarter will be paid on presenting Pass-Books.
Dividends are paid every January, April, July and October.
We present Pass Books to any that want them.
J. C. MACKLIN & Co.
GUELPH, Jan. dw

GUELPH COAL DEPOT
C. Kloepper
Returns thanks for the liberal orders received since he opened his Coal yard, and begs to state that he will always keep on hand
HARD and SOFT COAL
OF THE BEST QUALITY
At the Lowest Prices.
Coal delivered in any part of the Town.
Yard next to Bell's Organ Factory
Orders left at Mr. Horsman's Store will receive prompt attention.
Guelph, Nov. 18, 1873. C. KLOEPPER, dsm

Leaving Town—Bound for the West, the Great Northwest.
\$15,000 worth of Dry Goods and Groceries to be disposed of in six weeks. Sale to commence on Monday, the 6th inst.
MR. G. B. FRASER
Being about to leave Guelph to seek a home in the Far West, would cordially thank his many kind friends for their continued patronage for the past fifteen years, and as he is likely to be but a short time longer in their midst, his stock will consequently be sold off at special bargains as will ensure a speedy sale. Merchants will find it to their advantage to sort up, as many of the goods will be sold to 25 per cent. below market value. A special discount will be allowed on purchases over \$25. This sale is genuine, the proprietor having to give up possession of his store on the 1st of May next.
G. B. FRASER, old w

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES
Family Sewing Machines (single thread)
" Hand Lock Stitch (double thread)
" No. 1. Foot Power.
" No. 2. for heavy work.
Furnished with plain tables, cast, or Cabinet Cases, as required.
CHARLES RAYMOND,
GUELPH ONT.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL
Fine Brown and Blue Beaver and Melton
OVERCOATINGS
MADE TO ORDER.
Also on hand, Readymade
HUDSON'S BAY OVERCOATS
IN SEVERAL STYLES.
SHAW & MURTON,
MERCHANT TAILORS.
Wyndham St., Guelph.
Guelph Dec. 1, 1873

GUELPH TEA DEPOT
E. O'DONNELL & Co.
Are making a noise among the Grocers
100 boxes new Valencia Raisins, first of the season,
75 splendid Ingersol Cheese,
10 hhds of Good Sugar at 13lb. for \$1.
15 sacks best Mocha Coffee,
15 sacks of the Finest Java Coffee,
18 sacks of the best Rio Coffee at 30c.

TEAS FINE AND SWEET
600 Caddies of the Best Dollar Green Tea for 80c., in any quantity.
A few Packages of very fine Black and Japan Tea for 75 cents per lb.
500 Barrels of the Best Salt at \$1.20 per barrel.
It will pay anybody to look in and see the large variety of fine Teas and General Groceries at
E. O'DONNELL & CO

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.
John A. McMillan, Insolvent.
The whole of the Estate belonging to the Insolvent is now being sold at a Tremendous Sacrifice.
BOOTS AND SHOES
20 per cent. less than cost.
Intending purchasers will consult their own interests by giving us a call.
NOTE THE PRICES:
Men's Cowhide Boots - \$2 00 Women's Pebble Ball - 0 75
Boys' Cowhide Boots - 1 50 Women's Prunella Ball - 0 75
Country dealers treated liberally.
Wm. McLaren, Assignee.
Guelph, Sept. 29, 1873. dw

FIRST PRIZE BISCUITS
JAMES MASSIE,
Manufacturer of
CHOICE CONFECTIONERY AND BISCUITS,
Alma Block, Guelph,
Invites the attention of the Trade to the Superior Quality of Goods now produced at his Manufactory. Having introduced many new improvements, and employing only first-class workmen, and possessing every facility, he is prepared to supply the trade with a class of goods unsurpassed by any manufacturer in
OZENGES, all flavors;
DROPS, assorted flavors and shapes;
GUM and LICORICE DROPS,
CONVERSATION LOZENGES,
MOULDED SWEETS, new patterns;
SODA, SWEET and FRUIT BISCUITS,
FRUIT BISCUITS,
GINGER NUITS,
CHEWING GUM,
ROCK CANDY,
LICORICE.
A Large Stock of Choice and Favorite Brand Cigars.
His Biscuits took the first prize over all others at the London Western Exhibition, the only place where they were entered for competition. All Goods carefully packed and shipped with despatch.