

ANNABEL

THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XII.
"Well," he observed, "I haven't just gone in for this sort of thing as yet. But I'm not going to say that I've made a vow against it. Of course, considering the risk to be run, and the size of the stake to be won, the fee will be a high one."

Barnard Hayes looked at the other for several moments very steadily. Then he abruptly and deliberately said—
"Two hundred, and all expenses paid."

"I'll do it," said Sam, bringing his heavy hand down with force upon the table.

"What you are wanted to do is this—either to put the man out of the way or make it certain that he is already dead."

"What! Don't you know that—don't you know where he is?"

"No, and neither does the opposite party. But they are about to institute a search for him; and if he is still alive he is in America."

"Where?" exclaimed Lorton, opening his small eyes to their utmost width.
"In America, and everything depends on your finding him there before them."

"Well, this is a run start," said Lorton. "Curse my eyes, if ever I thought of going to America to do a job. To America all the way. My stars!"

"Does the distance or the journey frighten you?"

"Frighten me!" he rejoined, with a short laugh. "Who ever heard of Sam Lorton being frightened? No, I should think not. But it's such a queer thing, I can't think enough of it. I'll go. The idea takes my fancy, and the adventure of the thing is just my bit. In course you find the tin for the passage and what I may have to put out in the search."

"I do. You will be provided with cash for all necessary purposes."

"That's the ticket. I'm your man, Mr. Hayes—I'm your man."

"You quite understand, Sam, what you have got to do," said the lawyer, speaking slowly and in measured tones.

"Know it like A, B, C," was the answer. "If the man is dead, I am to make cock sure of that; if living, I am to find him, and—make sure of it all the same. Ain't that the programme, governor?"

"That's it, Sam—with this addition, that you get at him first. If they come to speech of him even for a moment, your mission is fruitless."

"I twig. Now, then, give me the lines all clear and plain; the man's name, and where he's likely to be heard of. I don't want to know more than you have a mind to tell me, but I must have sufficient information to prevent mistakes."

All this while they had been standing in the middle of the room, but now they sat down close together in the furthest corner, and Barnard Hayes made a confidential communication to the man who had hired himself to do such foul work. It was impossible to keep him in the dark altogether regarding persons and places, for, inasmuch as the chief purpose of Lorton's journey to America was to circumvent Philip Weston and Jim Pettie in their mission, it was necessary that he should know things both by name and description, and this could not be done without lifting the veil from the whole business to a certain extent. The lawyer felt that he was putting himself and Mrs. Langton in Sam Lorton's power by doing this, but there was no avoiding it, and, desperate as Sam was in character and calling, he had yet the reputation of being true to his confederates, which fact had of late been brought under Barnard Hayes' professional observation, and, indeed, had induced him to think of Sam as a safe and trustworthy tool for this criminal enterprise.

To a certain extent, then, did he supply Lorton with information, and all matters of procedure were arranged and settled. It was decided that Lorton should depart for Canada at the earliest possible moment, so as to have the start of Philip and Jim. On his arrival, his first work was to seek out York, and get from him information about Jerry Just, and make endeavours to enlist York on his side, so that he might do everything in his power to frustrate Philip's efforts. His main work, however, was to discover Jerry himself. Night and day were his energies to be directed to this object, and when he did reach him the deed he was then to do was dark and cruel and terrible.

There was no moral hesitation on either side. Neither the one nor the other was troubled by considerations of right and wrong, and still less did either seem to take into account the possibility that there was a righteous and omniscient Ruler in the universe, to whom all are accountable, and by whom all deeds of wickedness are visited, sooner or later, with Divine punishment.

It was long past midnight when the secret conference ended between the two plotters, and when they issued forth from the private room, the gambling for the night was nearly ended, and a very hell of passion and fury raged in the bosoms of those who had been beggared by their folly.

Paying little heed to the veritable pandemonium through which they had to pass, the lawyer and his tool made good their retreat into Quentin's Court, and parted at the mouth of the passage which led to it, having agreed to meet on the morrow at another place to make further and final arrangements for the carrying out of the enterprise on which they had decided.

In Chancery: O'Donnell vs. Black. As this case will interest many of our subscribers in Eramosa, we give the facts in fuller shape than were given in our report of the Chancery cases last week. In this case the bill was filed by Mr. Jas. O'Donnell claiming that he, as the highest bidder at an auction sale of the farm in Eramosa, belonging to the estate of the late Donald Black, was entitled to a conveyance thereof from the executor. The issue on which the case was disposed of was entirely a matter of law. The plaintiff contended that the printed advertisement of sale, conditions of sale, and entry in the Auctioneer's book of the name of the plaintiff and the price made a contract in writing sufficient in law. The defendant objecting that the entry in the Auctioneer's book not referring in any way to the advertisement of sale, or conditions of sale was not sufficient. The Court agreed with the defendant and dismissed the bill with costs. Mr. Boyd and Messrs. Robertson & Wardell for plaintiff; and Mr. Moss, Q. C., and Messrs. Doubar & Merritt for defendant.

"THEIR NAME IS LORTON," may be applied to those who die annually of Consumption, although science has of late years sensibly diminished their number. It is gratifying to know that the general use of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry is largely instrumental in attaining this end.

THE FIRST ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS AT GEORGE JEFFREY'S.

THE SUBSCRIBER BEGS TO INFORM THE PUBLIC THAT HE HAS JUST RECEIVED

OVER TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY PIECES OF McNAUGHTAN & THOM'S BEST PRINTS

Which he will sell at 12½c. per yard, being usually sold at 16c. per yard, in beautiful New Designs and Colors.

Ladies ought to come early and get a good choice of those

UNPRECEDENTED CHEAP GOODS!

Also, another Lot of Lace Collars at Half Price.

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS.

GUELPH, FEB. 21, 1873.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

PETRIE'S
NEW
DRUG STORE
Nearly opposite the Old Stand,
NOW OPEN.

Mr. PETRIE takes this opportunity to thank the Public for their large and liberal support during the seven years he has been in business in Guelph.

"The New Store is the one formerly occupied by Mr. H. Berry, and lately by Mr. J. R. Fortie, as a Confectionery Store. The store has been enlarged and refitted, making it a much more desirable place of business than the old stand."

Having secured the new store for a term of Ten Years, I hope, with the assistance of the Public, to prevent in the future as I have done during the past seven years, any monopoly in the Drug Trade in Guelph.

I have removed my stock to the new store, where business will only be conducted in future.

By conducting my business in the future in the same upright principle as in the past, I trust to receive a continuance of your generous support.

I am, yours very truly,

A. B. PETRIE.

PHOENIX MILLS,
WATERLOO ROAD.

Chopping and Gristing
Carefully attended to, and satisfaction promised.

Family and Fall Flour, Graham Flour, Cracked Wheat, Corn Meal, Chopped Corn, Feed and Millers' Offals

Of all sorts for sale at the old Stand, Upper Wyndham Street

Next door to D. Naismith's.

Having our own Mill, parties dealing with us can rely that our Flour, Feed, &c., is fresh good, and as cheap as any place in Town. Buckwheat Flour for sale. Orders promptly attended to. McWATERS & BUTT
Guelph, Oct. 31, 72. 43m wy

RAYMOND'S
SEWING MACHINES

Family Sewing Machine (single thread); Hand Lock Stitch (double thread); No. 1, Foot Power, "No. 2, for heavy work; Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

CHARLES RAYMOND,
GUELPH, ONT.
July 12, 1871. dwly

COAL.
COAL.

JUST ARRIVED,
Chestnut Coal,
Stove Size Coal,
Egg Size Coal.

JOHN M. BOND & Co.,
DIRECT IMPORTERS,
GUELPH.

New Dry Goods!
WM. STEWART

Has much pleasure in stating to the public that he has secured many lots of desirable New Dry Goods under current prices, and they will be offered

At Decided Bargains!

Piles of Scarlet Flannel at 25c
Piles of Grey Flannel at 35c
Piles of Flincey from 10c
Piles of Cloths in white, grey, and colors, from 50c

BLANKETS ALL PRICES

All Wool TWEEDS from 50 cents.

Dress Goods.

The Choicest and Newest. Priced to suit everyone.

WM. STEWART.

Guelph, Dec. 12, 1872

GAS FITTING

—AND—
STEAM FITTING

Done in the best style and most workmanlike manner

AT HOWARD'S

All Kinds of Fixtures made to order on the Shortest Notice.

Changing Pipes, &c. or Repairs

Done on the shortest notice. (dw)

GUELPH

STEAM DYE WORKS,
Upper Wyndham Street.

The subscribers are now prepared to execute all orders entrusted to their care in a manner that will gain the confidence of the public in general.
DYEING and SCOTCHING done in all its Branches from within two to six days.
Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled.
Kid Gloves cleaned for 10c per pair; dyed at 25c per pair.
N.B.—Mourning done on the shortest notice. All orders sent by express will have prompt attention.
McDONALD & WILDRIDGE,
Guelph, March 5, 1873. dw3m

HOTEL CARD

The Right Man in the Right Place.

THOMAS WARD, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the Post Office, where he hopes by courtesy, attention, and good accommodation, to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars, &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Remember the spot—next door to the Post Office.
THOMAS WARD,
(Late of Crown Hotel),
Proprietor.
Guelph Dec. 1st 1872. dawly

10lbs. best Bright Sugar
FOR \$1.00;

11lbs. good Musc. Sugar
FOR \$1.00;

20lbs. good Currants
FOR \$1.00;

J. E. McELDERRY
2 DAY'S BLOCK.

DRESS GOODS

EXTRAORDINARY CHEAP LINES

OPENING UP AT

THE FASHIONABLE WEST END!

LADIES OF GUELPH.—We have much pleasure in soliciting your special attention to the following EXTRA CHEAP LINES of New Dress Goods, which we just opened last night:

Lot No. 1—28 pieces New Striped, Checked and Plain Dress Materials, to be sold off at once at 15 cents per yard.

Lot No. 2—30 pieces plain and figured Lustres, Challies, etc., etc., in all the new shades, to be sold at 20 cents. This Lot contains some beautiful textures, and are sure to sell fast.

Lot No. 3—50 pieces Diagonal Stripes and Checks, beautiful and attractive goods, to be sold at the extraordinary price of 25c and 30c per yard. These goods are an exact imitation of the finest textures made for the London (England) retail market this season, and are decided bargains at the prices quoted.

Intending purchasers will find our Dress Department full of all the Newest and Most Attractive goods for the season, embracing a variety of beauty of selection equal to anything that can be found in the largest cities of the Dominion.

Ladies—Don't buy until you have seen our New Goods. Come direct to the Fashionable West End.

A. O. BUCHAM,

Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment.
Guelph, March 25, 1873. dwv

GUELPH TEA DEPOT
CO TO

E. O'DONNELL & Co.
For Cheap Groceries.

NEW RAISINS,..... 5 cents per pound
NEW FIGS..... 5 cents per pound
WALKER'S SOAP..... 15 cents per bar
GOOD PRUNES..... 30 pounds for \$1
10 pounds of the BEST BRIGHT SUGAR..... for \$1.
11 pounds of GOOD COOKING SUGAR..... for \$1.

First-class TEAS!

OUR VERY BEST GREEN TEA..... for 80 cents per lb
A VERY FINE BLACK TEA..... for 75 cents per lb
A NICE YOUNG HYSON TEA..... for 50 cents per lb

All orders will be delivered at your houses. Give us a call.

E. O'DONNELL & CO.

Guelph, Jan. 23, 1873 Wyndham Street, Guelph.

GREAT SALE
OF BANKRUPT STOCK!

The whole stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES

Belonging to the Insolvent Estate of John A. McMillan will be sold at a tremendous sacrifice. The immense stock, amounting to \$8,000,

Must be Cleared Out within ONE MONTH!

The greatest Bargains ever offered in Guelph!

Special inducements to retail merchants and jobbers, who desire to secure job lots.

The sale is now going on at the old stand, Wynd-

ham Street.

Guelph, Feb. 22, 1873. **WM. McLaren, Assignee.** dw

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. 23, 1873. dw

IF YOU WANT

FRESH Oysters

GO TO PICKARD'S.

IF YOU WANT

FRESH FISH

GO TO PICKARD'S.

IF YOU WANT

Sweet Oranges

GO TO PICKARD'S.

Pickard's Fruit Store,
ALMA BLOCK.

Guelph, March 15, 1873. do

THE GUELPH "M. P. C."
Cigar Factory.

Enlargement of Business.

S. MYERS,

Having recently enlarged his Cigar Factory, having in his employment the best workmen in the Province, and being constantly in receipt of fresh supplies of the finest Havana Tobacco, is now prepared to receive orders for his Famous Cigars in any quantity.

Country Orders

Left at the store of Messrs. Massie, Paterson & Co., will be promptly and satisfactorily filled. Ask for the "M. P. C.'s," the best Cigars in the Dominion.

Guelph, Dec. 4, 1872. S. MYERS, Proprietor. dwtf

NEW
Boot and Shoe Store.

The subscriber begs to announce to the public that he has opened a first-class Custom Shop, where he is prepared to

MAKE TO ORDER

All kinds of Boots and Shoes on the shortest notice. A neat fit and good leather guaranteed.

Ladies, Misses and Children's Boots and Shoes made in the neatest style.

Repairing done with neatness and dispatch. Give us one trial and you will be sure to call again.

Remember the Shop—West Market Square next to John Harris's store. D. TRIPP.
Guelph, Feb. 6, 1873. d3m

GUELPH
Pianoforte Factory

IS NOW

IN FULL OPERATION

affording an opportunity to intending purchasers of inspecting the construction of these celebrated instruments.
All new instruments

Warranted for Six Years!

Tuned (if in town) free for one year. Second hand taken in exchange or repaired.

TUNING ATTENDED TO PROMPTLY

Prices lower than any Imported, and quality and finish unsurpassed. Show Rooms and Office.

WEST MARKET SQUARE,
GUELPH, ONT.

JOSEPH F. RAINER,
Proprietor. dw

HORSES FOR SALE—For sale, a good span of working horses, one six years old, the other four. Will be sold either separate or together. Apply to Ralph Townsend, Lot 6, Con. 6, West Garafraxa. st