

The Rival Clansmen:

A Scottish Vendetta.

THE PLOTTERS AND THEIR VICTIMS—IAN SPURNED BY FLORA—CAMERON JUBILANT—SURPRISED!

"You will not reconsider?" Still no answer. With a deep and terrible oath, Ian opened the door and passed out, securing it behind him. Then the sound of his receding footsteps could be heard walking along the passage in the direction of the large vault or meeting place of the caterans, and Flora was once more alone.

Alone; and then did the agony which was filling her soul find expression in a burst of weeping, as she flung herself upon the rude pallet.

"Oh," she wailed, "is there no hope, no chance of deliverance from my persecutors? What can be the reason of Donald Cameron treating me thus? Surely there must be some purpose to serve at the root of it all. Ah, my poor, unfortunate Hector, what a calamity has befallen you, brought about by your devotion to me! If I should indirectly be the cause of his sorrow-stricken father being robbed of his his only remaining son, I should never be able to forgive myself; and how could I ask forgiveness of him? How could I meet the old man whose form is bent, and whose hair is white with sorrow? And oh, heaven, if not to him, to whom then could I turn for protection or sympathy? To no one. But it must not be. No, no; Hector M'Leod shall not be allowed to die because of my obstinacy. To obtain his freedom I will sacrifice myself; I will become the wife of Ian M'Kenzie. But the period shall be brief, for the day the morning which sees Ian M'Kenzie my husband, and Hector M'Leod once more at liberty, the evening shall see the cold waters of dark Loch Maree close over me, and I shall find an eternal rest in the calm sleep of death. Ah, yes; let them plot and scheme as they may, death shall thwart their purposes, and I shall then hail rather than fear it. Hector M'Leod must not die because of me."

"Oh, Great Father," she murmured, clasping her hands, and directing her thoughts heavenward. "Thou who tenderly regardst thy down-trodden, oppressed children, and whose heart chooses to make the downcast mourner glad, I do beseech Thee to sustain me in my trial, and strengthen me in my resolution, if approved of by Thee. If not, Lord, counsel and direct me with Thy wisdom. Be with him who mourns with me, Father, and strengthen and cheer his heart. If it be possible, deliver us from our enemies; if not, may we be able to walk in submission to Thy will."

When she had concluded this short but earnest prayer, she rose to her feet, and paced the dark and cheerless cell. "Yes," she exclaimed, "when I can see clearly the line of duty I shall not lack resolution to follow it, wheresoever it may lead, if I have the approval of God and of my own conscience. But I feel much fatigued and wearied, and I think I will lay myself down here, and endeavour to snatch a few hours' slumber before I am again visited by some one or other of my tormentors. I think I know where I am at present. The woman whom we met on the way hither, and whom the clansmen spoke of as the Witch of Ben-Lair, told my uncle that Malrubha's Ruin might not keep its secret long. And what, by the secret of Malrubha's Ruin be? That instead of being visited by the spirits of the saint and others, it is used for evil purposes by my uncle, who keeps alive the superstitious stories told us by the landlord of the inn at Kinloch-Ewe. That I believe to be the secret, and I am in the place at present. And what is the significance of it? It shows my uncle to be a man of the most unscrupulous character, and Ian M'Kenzie, who associates with him, to be no better than he. I always suspected there was some villainous compact between these two men, and now I am sure of it. But after I am rested I will be better able to think of these things."

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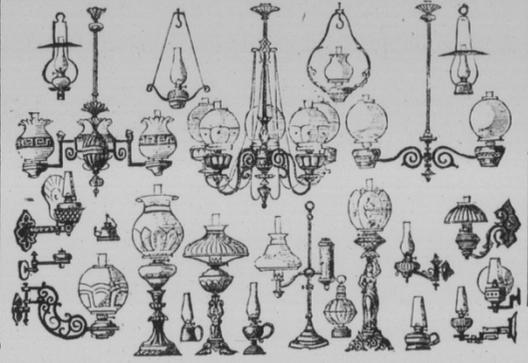
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