

Love Finds the Way

Melchior showed his teeth, and, raising one white hand, blinding with the recently purchased diamonds, stroked his moustache.

"Confession!" he repeated, in a low voice, moving his glittering eyes viciously round the group. "Confession! Like a paltry thief, a common highway robber."

"Yes, and in full," said Claude Ainsley, sternly, "leaving no single crime of its mode of perpetration undivulged. Only this can mitigate your punishment. Here are paper and pens, and I am ready to take down in the presence of these witnesses all you shall dictate; and this only stand between you and the gallows."

Melchior looked at him, and his face went a shade whiter.

"You use hard and strong words, Mr. Ainsley. You will deserve the name. I bestowed on you if you waste your breath in threats that you are unable to carry out. The indictment is a pretty one, but how are you to prove it? Proofs, my friends, proofs! You are a man of the word, and I am ready to wait reminding that a court of law requires something more tangible than family spite. You bestow on me a variety of ill-favored names—I retort, prove that I ever held them!"

"That is your answer," said Claude Ainsley, walking to the door as he spoke; "this is mine."

He opened the door, and there entered Clarence Clifford. Unmoved, undaunted by all that had as yet occurred, treating the threatening murmurs of the crowd of servants and Claude Ainsley's stern warning with indifferent scorn, Melchior's composure and bravado melted like ice in a summer's sun before this last arrival.

"What!" he breathed through his teeth, "you here, lad?"

"Ay, I," said Clarence Clifford, sternly.

"You—should be in France," said Melchior, with a vain and dreadful attempt at a smile. "What have my dogs done? Played me false? And so you are here, are you?" he continued, his voice gaining a savage intensity, and his eyes blazing with sardonic fury as they met Clarence's steadfast gaze. "You are here to play child witness, I suppose, hand in glove with the old idiot and the young. Ah!" he broke off, transferring his malicious gaze from Clarence to Lillian for a moment—

"You are the bait, my pretty one, are you? Wait for a while! I've a word for your ears and your dutiful father's. Ay," he went on, waving his hand in a tempest of passion in an outward-sweep that included the whole crowd, "for you all! You are witnesses, they say, for the confession, and by heaven you shall be! Hear me, then, you, wandering Jew! you cat-snip. I am Melchior, the bank note forger. I am the Chevalier de Morni, I am half a hundred other creations that have outwitted and befuddled you all until this last mistake. But where's your triumph? Look there, and he pointed his long finger at the white face of Lady Melville, who was still clinging to the curate, "look there! Give us all our right names and what is she? A would-be poisoner! A murderess in intent and belief! Ah, you start, Mr. Ainsley; this 'cut near home, doesn't it? Your old love, a murderess! Is it possible? Ay, fool, it is. Ask her yourself. Ask her who gave the deadly water flower to her supposed tool! Ask her of a certain lady beyond the seas now, by name Kate Lucas, and if she has enough sense left in her pitiful brains she'll tell you, and make you confession enough without mine! Ha, ha!" he laughed, discordantly.

"So much for her and my pompous squire. Look nearer home. Who is that young coxcomb your pretty lady clings to so fondly? Clarence Clifford, you call him; I'll call him by another name! Forger, pickpocket, thief! Look at him, all of you! That aristocratic gentleman is the lad, Cl Melchior, the bank note forger's tool and assistant. Look at his white hands. Ha, ha! Many a counterfeit sovereign has he stamped! By heaven, they engraved the false plate itself! Ha, Sir Ralph, your face falls, does it? The prospect is not so nice, eh? A young jailbird, a felon's assistant, a vainglorious thief's gutter, for a son-in-law! Oh, was there ever such a catastrophe?"

With fiendish mockery he threw up his hand and laughed till the room echoed.

"I have lost one stake, but I have gained the game. Look at me, Sir Ralph Melville, and look at that sister-in-law of yours. I am the man she tricked and betrayed to marry your brother. I am the man he outbid. You Melvilles, all look at me. I am he who swore to hate you while I had the heart to hate, and to revenge my wasted life on your cursed race while one member of it remained. Have I not done it? Look at the woman who played me false, who took a boy's true heart, sucked it dry and threw it aside with a laugh for an old man's wealth and title. Have I not avenged my lost youth? Which is the more miserable—the shivering on the brink of the maniac's grave, ruined in name and exorcised by all, or I who have lived to drag her down? Look at him," he continued, nodding at Clarence Clifford, who stood white and panting, his whole thoughts on the agony of the woman that had put her trust in him and found him a hollow reed and deception. "Look at him! He has hated him! I have hated him through it all and have sworn to revenge my own ruined life on his. Have I done so or failed? Call in your police, but let them take the younger thief with the elder, the pupil with the master. Both together we'll hang or die in the hulks, while you, Sir Ralph, live to feed the gossip-mongers and fill the hungry maw of the newspapers. Revenge! It is grander! It is vengeance!"

"Silence!" cried Clarence Clifford, tortured by Lillian's moans beyond endurance. "Sir Ralph, I surrender. Make out the warrant; do what you will, but spare her this! I plead guilty to everything this fiend lays to my charge! I—I—"

"Merciful heaven, will no one take us from her sight? Mr. Ainsley, if your friendship be anything more than a name take us from her before his vile tongue can utter more."

As these words rang out Lillian, who had fallen into her father's arms, and had hidden her face against his breast, raised her head, tore herself from his arms, and darted to Clarence's side.

"No one takes him," she cried, snatching his hand and holding it against her bosom, "without me!"

Tears sprang into the eyes of Claude Ainsley and all else save Melchior's he threw at his hands.

"I confess all," he cried. "I am Melchior, and he is the lad, Cl—Where are your officers, Sir Ralph? You'll want a warrant for your son-in-law to let him go! Oh, this is my game, after all; I win my revenge."

With his harsh, ferocious laugh another cry rang out.

It pierced his and silenced the angry muttering of the servants, who pushed forward with ominous looks and were with difficulty restrained by Jack Druiett, who stood grim and silent beside Melchior and kept all off by a swing of his hand.

"Ralph!" exclaimed the curate, "for heaven's sake! Her ladyship, her ladyship!"

She tore herself from his arms before he could finish, and throwing up her arms gave vent to the low wailing cry.

"Send for the doctor! Carry her out! Make room there!" cried a dozen voices.

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Montreal, Sept. 1.—It is possible that Admiral Lord Beresford may have to pay a second visit to Montreal, this time not for pleasure, but as a witness in the courts.

As a result of an alleged interview with Lord Beresford, which appeared in the Montreal Witness, and was later discredited, Lord Beresford writing that he had given out no interview, this piece of news was characterized by the Herald as a "fake." Now the question is, who wrote this interview? Mr. John Bassett, of the Witness staff, is suing the Herald for \$5,000 damages for injury to his professional reputation and generally impugning his and the Witness' veracity.

In entering the action steps have been taken to call Lord Beresford, his secretary, Hon. Dudley Carleton, and other prominent men as witnesses.

LONDON FIRE.

Parisian Steam Laundry Badly Damaged—Horses Perish.

London, Sept. 2.—In one of the hardest fought fires of many a day two liveries, Thompson's and Smith's, in the rear of the United Factories on Dundas street, were almost completely destroyed last night, twelve horses perished in the flames and the Parisian Steam Laundry building was badly gutted, the drying rooms and boiler-room at the rear being completely cleaned out, only the walls and smokestack being left standing.

The Parisian Laundry will be the heaviest loser. At midnight Mr. Spry, the manager, was asked if he could give any estimate of the loss.

"I haven't the least idea," he said. "You see, the place is full of expensive machinery, and until this is examined we have no idea how badly it is damaged. The drying-rooms at the rear are gone."

Swedish Expert Here to Establish Furnaces.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 1.—Mr. A. Gronwall, of Ludvika, Sweden, is in Ottawa in connection with proposals now under way to establish furnaces in Canada for the electric smelting of iron ores, on the same principle as is now in successful operation in Sweden. Mr. Gronwall is one of the three Swedish engineers who have spent the last three years in perfecting the electric smelting process along the lines first laid down by Dr. Hanel, Deputy Minister of Mines for Canada. Mr. Louis Simpson, of this city, who has been actively interested in the electric smelting process for some years past, is now forming a company to establish an electric smelting industry at a power site at the Chaps, some thirty miles west of Ottawa, on the Ottawa River.

But Melchior could not remain in his ambush, and clinching his teeth, sprang to his feet and started off to the right of the horseman.

The detective redoubled his cries, and

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Lord Lascelles was fined \$275 at Victoria, B. C., for shooting deer out of season.

The schooner Maxwell, of Port Hope, was wrecked at the Cleveland breakwater.

E. J. Wilson, a brakeman on the C. P. R., was killed in a gravel pit at Marquette, Man.

A party of British scientists will leave Winnipeg this evening for a trip west to British Columbia.

The attempt to tow the first German Dreadnought Westphalen down the Weser ended in failure.

Louis R. St. Louis, Manitoba manager of the Federal Life Insurance Company for Manitoba and Saskatchewan, died suddenly last night at Prince Albert.

Reliable advices from Monterey declare that the death list from the flood-stricken district will reach 10,000. Twelve hundred bodies have already been recovered and placed in hastily constructed morgues.

Five firemen were injured, one fatally, by a fire which this afternoon destroyed the transfer and storage house of J. A. Black, in the east end section of Pittsburgh, and spread rapidly to a number of adjoining buildings.

Moors attacked the Spanish advance camp at Sokel-Arba yesterday. A sharp fight took place, in which the Moors sustained severe losses, mainly from Spanish shrapnel. The Spanish loss is stated to have been one wounded.

J. Barless, a C. P. R. brakeman, was taken to London from Chatham last night and taken to the hospital. He was in a serious condition as a result of being squeezed between two freight cars near Chatham yesterday.

Detroit city has entered into an agreement with the Detroit United Railway which will last until 1924. The three-cent lines will not be affected by the settlement plan, which includes a clause guaranteeing universal transfers.

In the three months just passed in Montreal there were 2,127 deaths, which 1,233 were children, or 58 per cent. The figures went as high as 70 per cent. for some weeks. The highest death rate was the week of July 24, when the thermometer was 85, when of 214 deaths 133 were children.

Dr. A. W. Crawford, a graduate of the University of Toronto and a Ph. D. of Cornell, and now head of the department of English in the Pittsburgh University, has been appointed to the chair of English in the Manitoba University. His appointment completes the staff for the term about to open.

The young son of Mr. Feniman, of Ottawa, was instantly killed in the sand pit at the end of Echo Drive at 2:30 yesterday afternoon by the overturning of a cart. The boy was on the top of a cart, when the pin which allows it to drop became loose, and the cart overturned, crushing the lad underneath. Death was instantaneous.

Archibald Skirving, Pere Marquette claims agent, arrived in Chatham yesterday, after several weeks spent in Denbigh. It is alleged that the shooting of young Victor Skirving was the result of a wager between a man and his comrades that he could hit that fellow across the lake, meaning young Skirving.

The police theory that Dora Winnifred Hooke and Charles Shock, both of New York, committed suicide together received partial confirmation yesterday when the girl's body was found in Jerome Park reservoir. The couple disappeared a week ago and were last seen together. Shock's body was found in the reservoir on the following day.

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