

ANNABEL OR THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XVII.

THE DEATH OF ELLEN MATTOCK. While all this elaborate plotting and deception was being carried forward, the two young girls, through whom and against whom it was being conducted, were not only profoundly ignorant regarding it, but were cast—mind and spirit—into a region far removed from those worldly feelings and motives which engender such wickedness.

The poor girl suffered no disappointment on this account. No hope had ever been raised in her breast by removal to France. She believed from the first that she was dying, and had patiently made up her mind to meet that fatal issue. Therefore, when the time passed and she felt herself get no better but only worse, the conviction brought no bitterness to her soul, but only a sweeter patience and a deeper peace.

Annabel was not at first under the belief that Ellen was destined soon to die. She had the confident hope that the air of France would ere long restore her; but by-and-by, as closeness of intercourse brought her nearer to Ellen, the latter succeeded in showing her what the true state of the case was.

Annabel set herself with unmeasured devotion to minister to the wants of, and do all possible services to, one who was in such a solemn position. She did this not from a sense of duty alone, or merely in obedience to the natural promptings of her kind nature, but also because Ellen's character and position had come to have a strong and sacred attraction for her.

But at length the end came, and that too with peace. Annabel only was with Ellen when she died. Dick was wandering somewhere on the mountain, and Mrs. Langton, in breathless suspense, was waiting in another room, wildly eager to learn that this, the chief end of her calculations and the basis of her farther proceedings, was realized.

The dying one had become very weak now, her voice was gone, her hands were motionless, her breathing was low and faint—her open and expressive eyes alone, as these were fixed on Annabel's face, showed intelligence and love, and by these the spiritual communion of the two was still kept up.

Once when she had finished the utterance of these divinely comforting words, a strange new light shone suddenly in Ellen's countenance, her eyes beamed with surpassing lustre, and her lips parted under a seraphic smile. It was a glory shed upon her mortal part from the heaven which had opened to receive the immortal spirit, for at that moment one long, tranquil sigh escaped her, and without struggle or groan, her young life was ended.

In the glazing eye over which the death film had gathered, in the fixed features, in the awful paleness, and the more awful stillness, Annabel understood that Ellen was gone, and kneeling down she thanked God for the victory that the ransomed soul had obtained over the power of the king of terrors.

Had she known of the dark plot which had been hatched against her, and which Ellen's death now rendered practicable, her words of thanksgiving would have ended in a prayer for protection against the terrible evil which was about to be done to her. But, alas, she knew it not, and was thus unsuspectingly to become the easy victim of those who were plotting against her.

A QUAKER GENTLEMAN, riding in a carriage with a fashionable lady decked with a profusion of jewellery, heard her complain of the cold. Shivering in her knee-bonnet and shawl as light as a cobweb, she exclaimed, "What shall I do to get warm?" "I really don't know," replied the Quaker, solemnly, "unless these should put on another breast-pin!"

When George Wither, the Puritan poet, was taken prisoner by the Cavaliers there was a general disposition displayed to hang him at once; but Sir John Denham saved his life by saying to Charles I. "I hope your Majesty will not hang poor George Wither, for as long as he lives it can't be said that I am the worst poet in England."

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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 12 1/2 c. per yard, being usually sold at 16c. per yard, in beautiful New Designs and Colors.

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Having to remove the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Porto from his old stand, the great cheap sale of the same will be continued at my own store.

Next the Post Office, FOR ONE MONTH LONGER.

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MEDICINE SPOONS, TEA AND DESSERT SPOONS, A fresh supply at the Medical Dispensary.

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French Pattern Bonnets, French Pattern Hats, MANTLES, JACKETS, COSTUMES, &c.,

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Particular attention paid to this Department, and any style of Shirt made to measure, and a PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.

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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 Wincey from 10c Piles of Clouds in white, grey, and colors, from 50c

BLANKETS ALL PRICES

All Wool TWEEDS from 50 cents.

Dress Goods. The Cheapest and Newest. Prices to suit everyone.

WM. STEWART. Guelph, Dec. 12, 1872

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. 25, 1873.

PLOUGHS. Just received, a quantity of the celebrated Gray Ploughs, From Scotland, manufactured by Gray & Edgington, near Glasgow.

THE PORTER, ONTARIO & VICTOR Steel board Ploughs; also some cheap Cast Board Ploughs on hand. Prices from \$7.50 to \$50. A good assortment of Stoves and Tinware for sale cheap.

W. HEATHER, Corner Woolwich-st. and Erasmus Road Guelph, 2nd April, 1873.

FASHIONS For Spring and Summer. All the Novelties of the Season. A Splendid Line of New Goods!

JUST ARRIVED At J. HUNTER'S

The Largest and Best Stock in Town of Sewed Muslins, Edgings, Trimmings, Frillings, Braids, Point Lace Patterns, and materials; Ladies' Corsets and Underclothing; Infant's Waists, Robes, Wrappers, etc.

Chignons, Braids, Coronets; Curls, and Switches in real hair; also, in Jute, Silk, and Mohair. Jewellery and Small Wares

In great variety, and cheaper than ever. SPEX—Another Lot of those Celebrated Rock Crystal Spectacles.

A full assortment of Madame Demorest's reliable and fashionable patterns for Spring and Summer. Stamping done to order with neatness and despatch.

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SPRING AND SUMMER, 1873. POWELL'S BOOT & SHOE STORE

Call and examine my new stock of LADIES', GENTS' & CHILDRENS Boots and Shoes,

Which for moderate price, style and workmanship, cannot be surpassed in the town. Particular attention paid to Custom Work and Repairing.

West side Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, April 8th, 1873.

NEW Lumber Yard IN GUELPH. The subscriber has opened, under the superintendence of Mr. Richard Maddock, a Lumber Yard on Paisley and Oxford streets,

Near the G. W. Railway Station, and is prepared to supply the various descriptions of Lumber and other Lumber. Shingles, Lath and Pickets.

Lumber, etc., delivered in either large or small quantities, in any part of the town, or delivered by the car load on the track here, at any station on the G. W. R. or in cars at the Mill siding north of Wallace-st.

Bill Lumber saved to order, and delivered with promptness. Sokasippi Mills Lumber Yard. April 21st, 1873. CHARLES MICKLE, Proprietor.

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. 21st, 1872. d.w.

NEW BUTCHER SHOP. The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hart's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. CHAS. FENNELL, dw. Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872.

BAGS AND WASTE PAPER. Wanted, and must be had by the 1st January, Fifty Tons of Waste Paper, old Newspapers, old Pamphlets, or Waste Paper of any kind—for which the highest price in cash in the Dominion will be paid, at the King and Waste Paper Depot, corner of King and Queen streets, Address "BAGS or WASTE PAPER," 25 and 27 King Street West. Will receive from 1lb. to 10,000lbs. Hamilton Dec. 14, 1872 D. MURPHY, dw.

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