

# HELEN MOIR

—OR—  
LOVE AND HONOUR.

A TALE OF THE CLYDE.  
CHAPTER XXXII.

Edwin and Ritchie sat beside Jaquin's couch anxiously watching and waiting in the hope that he would revive and be induced to give them the longed-for information regarding Bridgenorth and Helen. Their suspense now in reference to those dear ones was something terrible. The fears and forebodings which they conjured up were paralyzing. They imagined in all manner of evil things as having been done to them—atrocities which they durst not name even to each other, but the terror and despair of which caused the sweatdrops of agony to start on their brow, and deep half-suppressed groans to come from their bosom.

They kept their vigil mostly in silence, though anything but silence prevailed round them. The noise of the battle still raging on at no great distance reached them distinctly, and the confused sound of excited bustle and motion in the streets of Gorse betokened many things connected with the deadly strife raging in its suburbs. Edwin had a strong desire to go forth to learn how the battle went, but he felt it was more important still to wait on for the chance of a conversation with Jaquin.

For two hours the hunchback lay quite still, breathing low, sometimes so faintly that they feared death had come. But at the end of that time he began to move his limbs a little, and to open his eyes. The doctor had directed that, if possible, a little brandy should be administered, and as the opportunity seemed to have come for this, they gently raised his head, and while Ritchie held it with all tenderness, Edwin put the vessel to his mouth, and Jaquin greedily sucked the liquid in.

They were surprised to see how greatly it revived him. The dull vacancy in his eyes brightened into intelligence, and the look with which he regarded them, while indicative of surprise, also betokened recognition; so that when Ritchie laid back his head on the pillow, which he had smoothed with all the gentleness of a woman, he lay steadily regarding them.

"You know us, I see," said Edwin.

"Do you feel better?" was Edwin's next question.

"Yes, I suppose I have been sleeping. Why have you brought me here?"

"To nurse you, and do all we can for your comfort."

"That's gammon!" was the unceremonious reply. "You would have let me lie as I was on the ground, if you had not wanted to get something out of me—to know about Master Bridgenorth and the girl. Oh, I understand your game; but its no go—I'll tell nothing."

"Why will you not? What motive can you have for being so cruelly obstinate?"

"Didn't I tell you before?" Revenge."

"Revenge for what? What wrong did you ever receive at the hand of my uncle or any of us? Nay, have you not assisted with all your power to inflict a terrible wrong on him? I know all about the plot which you and Philip Jordan and Mangles so successfully wrought out, by which my uncle's life was lighted, his heart wrung with keenest sorrow, and fears of misery and exile heaped upon him! Show some remorse, old man, for such an accumulation of frightful injuries, by giving us to know where he and Helen now are, so that if they are in straits we may succour them."

"I knew that was your object in bringing me here," said Jaquin. "It was out of no goodwill to me, whom you would rather have kicked with scorn and contempt. You think to earn my gratitude, and receive the price you know I can pay. I know nothing about gratitude. There was one man I loved, and that was Philip Jordan. His death was brought about by the business you speak of, and I have hated your uncle for being the cause of it. I have hated him for twenty years; I hate him still; I shall die hating him and all belonging to him. Once for all, I tell you I shall die in my revenge. Ha! the packet. Have you dared to take it?—to open it?"

"No; it is under your pillow still. I suppose it contains papers relating to the abduction."

"No, it does not," hissed Jaquin, with fierce, eager rapidity. "The papers in it have nothing to do with Dubouche's business. You hear me—nothing. Perhaps you don't believe that, but I swear it."

"They seem to be very important, at any rate," rejoined Edwin, "if one may judge by your anxiety to retain possession of them."

"Yes, they are important—very important—and no one shall see them. Where are they—where is the packet? I must feel it."

And in great excitement, and with much difficulty, Jaquin wriggled round his arm, and inserted it beneath the pillow, where the packet about which he was so anxious lay sewed up within the lining of his vest. To feel it there seemed to give him great satisfaction, though he eyed the other two suspiciously, lest they should possess themselves of it. To make himself as secure of it as possible, he hid his head on the spot of the pillow under which it was deposited.

They gazed at the wretch with feelings of loathing and disgust. Neither kindness nor argument seemed to have any effect on him. Edwin saw but one other influence to bring to bear, and he hastened to use it, though without any strong faith in the result.

"Look here, Jaquin," he said. "Reflect on your position. You are a living man. Would you go impudently and defiantly into the presence of your Maker, to whom you must give an account of all your actions? I know you affect to disbelieve the existence of a future state with its idea of retribution, but I am certain that in your deepest soul you feel you can't get rid of it. Now—"

"Wait a bit," interrupted Jaquin. "I am not dying—I am much better than I was. The pain is almost gone."

"Don't harbour a delusion. I am bound to tell you that the doctor has no hope of you whatever. He does not even intend to return to see you."

"Eh, what—is that true?" asked Jaquin, with a keen, searching look.

"I solemnly assure you that it is."

"Then this packet must be destroyed—bring me a taper."

"Why would you destroy it?"

"This is my business, and I tell you it must be done. Quies, bring a taper and let me burn it while I have the power. I can't be busy for a minute till it is done."

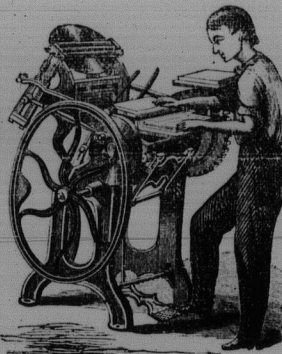
An extinguished taper stood in the room, and Edwin drew a match and lighted it.

"As you will," he said, bringing it to the side of the couch.

Jaquin thrust his hand beneath the pillow to draw forth the packet, when a thought seemed to strike him, and he paused.

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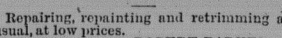
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