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GERALDINE:

Romance.

"Those papers are forgeries," she declared in a low voice, recovering herself at once.

"Are they? Well, well," he answered, as he pulled them out, and held the whole packet of documents and put them back into the breast pocket of his coat.

"If Charles had still had a heir—if James, our unfortunate nephew, had not been dead to us—how would we have dared to concoct this infamous plot?"

"You are mistaken altogether, my dear Elizabeth. If James, our unfortunate nephew, as you euphemistically call him, had not rendered himself incapable of inheriting the property, I would show these papers to him, as I now show them to you, with just as much confidence in the fact that their evidence is irrefutable."

He called to Johnson, at that moment on his way to the dining room to make preparations for dinner.

"Run after Miss Geraldine—Lindley," said he, with a glance at his cousin and a significant pause before the surname. "Ask her to return with you here, and show her straight up to Sir Charles' room." And, softly whistling, Lindley turned and went upstairs.

Johnson put down the plate basket and got to the front door with the alacrity of a lad, lest his mistress should countermand this order. But, for the time, Elizabeth's imperious promptness had been followed by the servant slowly into the outer hall, heard him call "Miss Geraldine!"

Heard him utter a cry, and the moment after saw him rush back, slam the front door, and stand white and trembling, with staring eyeballs and open mouth, before her.

"What is the matter?" she asked, calmly. "Have you seen a ghost?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"What ghost?"

The butler put his hand up to his damp forehead, and stared at his mistress as if to assure himself that he was awake and sober. Then he tried to speak, but his tongue failed him, and at first he was inaudible. When he got back his voice he hesitated, huskily.

"Master James?"

Elizabeth started visibly.

"Hush, man! Are you dreaming?" she said, in a quick, low voice. "Don't you know?"

But she was interrupted by the ringing of the bell. Signing to Johnson, who still stood paralyzed by alarm, to open the library door with fingers which, in spite of her strong nerves, were clammy with excitement and indecipherable dread. And the unfortunate servant moved obediently toward the entrance hall, with the leaden feet of a doomed man on his way to the scaffold.

CHAPTER XL

The gloom of a starless and foggy night had already fallen over the Norfolk broads and marshes, and settled thickly among the oaks and yew-trees of Ingham Park, when the old butler, Johnson, in obedience to his mistress's order, slowly and tremblingly opened the front door of the hall to give admittance to the figure which had frightened him so much.

But when, having opened the door very gradually, with his eyes carefully kept away from the dreaded object, he had recovered enough self-possession to turn his head and glance at the figure once more, his fingers slipped from the door handle as he exclaimed the ghost from head to foot in the light of the lamp above, and assured himself that it was a living man, who stood, in long, rough black ulster and round traveling hat, on the threshold before him.

"Heaven have mercy!" muttered the servant, "it is himself, sure enough!"

"Yes, it is himself, and a pretty well-served man, too," said James O'way, with some irritation. "Then he stepped into the entrance hall, handing his bag to the still trembling man-servant, and continuing to grumble in a manly, pleasant and rather musical voice."

"First come peeping baggage of a girl runs away at sight of me as if I had the plague; then you who are old enough to know better, I should think."

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howl and slam the door in my face as if I were a ghost! Don't stand there making faces at me, go and get me something to eat. How are you?"

And, his irritability having gradually given way, in the course of his speech, to amused friendliness, he ended by taking the butler's hand into his own—which was much larger and stronger than that of the servant—and giving it a hearty shake.

Johnson looked up at him, still in evident fear, and answered in a whisper.

"I'm nicely, thank you, sir. I hope you are in good health, too, sir."

"Why, what's the matter with me? Don't look as if I were dying!" asked the young man, with a sudden return of irritability.

"No, sir, no—quite the contrary. You're looking very well, indeed, sir, considering—"

"The cobwebs of fright and surprise had not quite cleared away yet from the old servant's brain, or he would have had more tact than to let slip that suggestive word—more tact than to break off in his speech, appalled at his own discretion."

James O'way, who was unbuttoning his ulster, turned sharply.

"Considering what?"

"But the frown on his face and the low growl in which he spoke did not encourage the servant to be eloquent. He tried to laugh, if off respectfully with a short, joyless chuckle, as he said:

"Well—er—considering the long time you have been away from Warrington, sir."

"Oh, ah!" said James, abruptly. Then, after a pause, during which Johnson helped him off with his ulster, and noticed that circumstances had led him to become less careful of his appearance than he used to be, he continued: "Let me see; it is six years since I was last at the hall, sir."

"Yes, it is six years come next June since you were last at the hall, sir," answered Johnson, who now that the first shock of his surprise was over, began looking more and more curious to see what in which Master James had "got off," and as to the effect his arrival would have on affairs in the household.

"And how have things been going on all this time? Much the same as ever, I suppose?"

"Yes, sir, much the same as ever, until yesterday, when—when Sir Charles was taken ill very suddenly, as perhaps you may have heard, sir?" he said, hesitatingly.

"Yes, I have heard all about it, only within the last half-hour, though—from the keeper at the lodge—new man, didn't you know who I was, and I didn't tell him, I've grown modest now, and don't care for a boisterous welcome."

"Yes, sir, of course, yes, sir," Johnson agreed, nervously.

"How is my uncle now?" asked James, gravely, but without any show of deep affliction. There had never been the slightest sympathy between Sir Charles and his nephew, and the latter to pretend to feel great grief at his uncle's condition would have been, to the old servant, the most transparent hypocrisy.

"He was better when I saw him last, down to see him, that Mr. Fielding sent him, but he's really round quite wonderfully so that he can speak a little—not plain, but so you can understand him. And he's been making his will, but now you've come, of course it will change all that."

"Oh, no, his will won't make much difference to me!" said James, indifferently. "Who is that Mr. Fielding, who seems to be such an important person here now? Down at the lodge, I heard a great deal about him."

"I heard a great deal about him, I really do, but I don't think I should like to tell you, sir, unless you ask me, sir."

"The very same, sir," replied Johnson, dropping his voice. "It was some time before I told Sir Charles that gave him a great shock that brought on this stroke, I believe. It was in the library that it happened, sir."

Johnson glanced at the library door, which was some distance from where they were standing, and managed, by looking significantly in that direction and then at the young man, to convey the information that someone there might overhear them.

"Is he in there, then?" murmured James.

Johnson shook his head, and formed with his lips the single word:

"Shel!"

James had not been too long away to understand that. He raised his eyebrows and muttered in provokingly audible tones:

"Skinning flints, as usual, I suppose? Where is my aunt Eleanor?"

"Miss Eleanor is in the drawing-room, sir. Shall I announce you?"

"No, no—not yet. Sometime I am not overwhelmed with eager joy at the prospect of beholding my affectionate relative, but more, I think, by the fact about the only friend I had in the old days here, Johnson. You used to tweek my ears, but you were not liberal in the matter of facts."

But his only friend had not shown more tender than a wish to dispose in some way of this unexpected visitor before the latter should in the hearing of the household, Miss Elizabeth, make some compromising statement which would bring that lady's icy wrath swiftly and suddenly upon them both. An evil spirit of listless indifference had apparently held of this strangely altered Master James, however, for he yawned and stretched himself, and looked at the dusty old portraits one after another, and grumbled at the bad light, and wanted to know why they didn't have gas, and behaved altogether in such an unconventional and disconcerting way for a man who, though not in the pleasantest circumstances, was, after all, returning to the home of his childhood after an absence of many years, that the orthodox Johnson gradually stiffened into a rigid attitude of respectful disapproval as he watched him.

At last the young man suddenly turned and blinked at the lamp in an odd manner that the butler, standing in a position of obsequious dignity, with his eyes upon the ground, did not notice.

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Lord Hugh Cecil, son of Lord Salisbury, shows the promise of a great career. Mr. Bryce, in a recent speech, paid the young member a marked compliment, and a London Radical journal, opposed as it is to the politics of the Cecils, says of him that he unites with unquestioned intellectual power a certain nobility of feeling and elevation of character that remind us now and then of what, by the testimony of his contemporaries, the young Gladstone must have been."

The Legislature

Loyal Address to Queen Victoria

Moved by the Premier and Seconded by the Leader of the Opposition—Three Sessions of the House.

Legislative Chamber, Toronto, April 8.—The most important business at the morning's session yesterday was Mr. Gibson's bill providing that the Government may pay its railway bonuses in railway steel and iron manufactured in Ontario from one-third of the which has been mined in the province.

In moving the second reading the Commissioner of Crown Lands said that the bill might have no effect, for some time, as no steel was at present produced in the province. He hoped, however, that the Dominion Government might see its way to adopt some similar provision. The two Governments would not only be aiding railways, but also thereby calling in to existence a most desirable addition to the industrial forces of the country.

Mr. Gibson said in regard to the industry at Hamilton that so far it had been necessary to import a considerable percentage of American ore—a most regrettable but unavoidable circumstance. A particular sort of iron which finer than that of Ontario or was not as yet available, was a requisite for the production of iron and steel of the highest quality required might be brought within reach.

Mr. Whitney twitted Mr. Gibson on his excellent protectionist speech, after which the bill was read a second time.

The whole of the afternoon was occupied in considering a bill making a variety of amendments in the statute law. One of the clauses proposed to reduce the number of special examiners in Toronto from five to three. The Premier explained that the fees which these officers were authorized to charge were altogether too high, and it was proposed to reduce them to 45 per cent. It was also proposed to reduce the number of examiners from five to three.

Mr. Howland thought there was sufficient work to keep all employed. The clause, however, was adopted.

The event of the day was the adoption of an address to her Majesty, congratulating her on her attainment of the 60th year of her reign. The resolution was moved by the Premier and seconded by Mr. Whitney, the leader of the Opposition.

Resolved, that a humble address be presented to her Most Gracious Majesty, expressing the warmest congratulations of this House on the occasion of her Majesty's attainment and approaching completion of the 60th year of her reign.

"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Most Gracious Sovereign."

"We, your Majesty's most loyal and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to approach your Majesty, with congratulations on the approaching completion of the 60th year of your Majesty's reign as Queen of Great Britain and Ireland."

"It is not alone that your Majesty's reign has been the longest in the annals of this empire; other considerations combine with that notable event to render your reign the most memorable in history. The wide diffusion of education, the advancement of the sciences, the progress in the arts, with a prominent extension of Christian civilization are some of the proudest features which render your Majesty's reign conspicuous and illustrious."

"Since your Majesty ascended the throne, a constitution of government within the empire has been more firmly established; principles and precedents tending to solidify British institutions have been repeatedly affirmed, and the respect of your loyal subjects for the constitution and laws under which they live, stimulated by your Majesty's personal example has been constantly strengthened."

"Most notable among the far-reaching consequences among the events of your Majesty's fruitful reign has been the growth and development of the British colonial system, confiding unreservedly in the loyalty and devotion of the people of the empire, and your Majesty's personal example has been constantly strengthened."

"The happy result of such mutual confidence has been that British ideas and British institutions, based upon freedom, law and order have fostered and are flourishing in every quarter of the globe."

"Your long and beneficent reign, your subjects in the Province of Ontario, in whose behalf we have the honor to present these congratulations, have shared very liberally in the general prosperity of the empire; and while we are deeply sensible that the occurrences in the Canadian colonies have caused anxiety, we are happy to know that owing to the generous policy of your Majesty, the Province of Ontario has been able to maintain a high position of rectitude and amiability of character, and has acquired extensive reputation at the fairs of Western Ontario as an exhibitor of high-bred horses and general stock, which he raises on his several farms in East Williams."

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corded his picture of the empire as a vast procession of free communities. "We make in that mighty procession," he said, "and we march near the front," a statement that delighted the House, floor and galleries, all. The whole House stood up during the reading, 85 members being in their places. Mr. Whitney regretted that he was physically unable to do justice to the pleasurable duty imposed on him, but he intoned everything that had been said by the Premier with respect to their gracious Sovereign.

In the looking corporations bill a clause was inserted permitting any company to adopt a bylaw prohibiting the loading of money on its own stock, and such bylaw then becomes part of the constitution of the company, and practically irrevocable. Mr. Gibson explained that the provision was inserted at the request of some of the companies.

Mr. Gibson moved the second reading of the bill to amend the Ontario Game Protection Act, 1883. The bill contains a number of provisions that will be of interest to sportsmen, although the honorable gentleman explained that there is nothing radical and certainly nothing retrogressive in the measure. The prohibition of the hunting, taking or killing of wild turkeys, prairie fowl, English or Mongolian pheasants, heaver and otter is further extended to the close of the season during which snipe, woodcock or partridge, no matter where killed or taken, may not be sold or kept for sale or barter is further extended to 1890. The bill was given its second reading.

Mr. Haggerty moved for the discharge of the order for the second reading of the bill respecting police magistrates. He said that in justice to the police magistrature of Hastings county, he desired to inform the House that he was in receipt of information to the effect that the annual returns of fees had not been made by that county in pursuance of an agreement arrived at with the county council.

The order was then discharged. The order for the second reading of a number of bills was discharged, among them being Mr. Haycock's bill to amend the provisions of the Police Act, 1884, and other special privileges to members of the Legislative Assembly.

The House adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

A New Bridge.

Work Begun at the Foot of Dundas Street.

It is Proposed to Tie the Wellington Street to Dundas West Lines and Run Cars to the Market.

A bill ratifying the contract between the City of London and the London Street Railway Company was brought in at yesterday's session of the Provincial House by Mr. Thomas Hobbs, M.P., and passed. It contained an amendment in reference to the Lancaster property at the foot of Dundas street, by which the railway company were given the right to appropriate it. They claimed that Mr. Lancaster was holding the property at an unreasonably high figure.

This was necessary before work could be begun on the new bridge across the river, to connect the London West line with the city. Timbers were taken to the ground this morning, and the work commenced. Manager Carr says the bridge will be completed by May 24. It is proposed to connect the Wellington street and the London West line by a new bridge to the corner of Dundas and Richmond streets.

The "Y" at the end of the High street stub has been on the ground for some time, but was not put in owing to the winter weather, and besides the Wellington street cars could not be conveniently run to the market so that nothing would be gained by it before the new bridge was built. It will be put in shortly.

Messrs. Everett and Moore of Cleveland, the principal stockholders in the street railway company, were in the city yesterday, and after touring over the whole system in a private car left last night for Detroit.

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, manse, this city, at 3 p.m. Wednesday, Rev. Robert Johnston officiating, Mr. John Roderick Macdonald was united in marriage to Miss Flora Macdonald, daughter of Mr. D. Macdonald, formerly a builder in this city.

The groom is the only surviving son of the late Roderick Macdonald, one of the first settlers of the Alisa Craig section, who at his demise left a considerable estate. The groom is a gentleman of wide-spread reputation for high probity, rectitude and amiability of character, and has acquired extensive reputation at the fairs of Western Ontario as an exhibitor of high-bred horses and general stock, which he raises on his several farms in East Williams.

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