

ANNABEL

THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XVII.

THE DEATH OF ELLEN MATLOCK.

The scene now changes to a quiet isolated farm-house in the south of France, and four months have elapsed since the events narrated in the foregoing chapter. It was now, therefore, the close of autumn and the fall of the year, and while in the sunny valleys the warm atmosphere of summer still lingered, on the hill-side where the farm-house was situated, cold, chill winds blew often with severity, bringing with them raw vapours which sent people indoors to seek the welcome warmth of the fire.

In this exposed house were located those personages of our story, who, had, in pursuance of Mrs. Langton's deep-laid scheme, quitted England under fair but fearfully false pretences. The group consisted of Mrs. Langton herself, Annabel, Ellen, and Dick; and here they had been for the period we have mentioned. Everything had turned out as had been intended—the deception had been successfully practised on the two girls who so closely resembled each other—on Ellen, who was dying, and on Annabel, who with sisterly devotion was nursing her, smoothing with gentle tenderness her passage to the tomb.

Poor Ellen, little dreaming how she was being deluded, fully believed that some reformation was being effected on her brother, and was grateful beyond her power of expression to Mrs. Langton for the Christian kindness she had shown regarding him—in seeking him out in his degradation, and bringing him from his vile haunts to enjoy the privilege of their purer society, and receive the moral influences with which they strove to surround him.

And Dick, knowing the part he had to play, was cunning enough to conduct himself with such propriety that not only were Ellen's hopes raised concerning him, but Annabel had no reason to suspect that he had been the abandoned man which he actually was. His former career had been kept from her knowledge, and nothing appeared in his behaviour calculated to give her any suspicion of the truth. True, he did not often seek their society, but spent the time pretty much by himself—at least the two girls imagined so, though often enough, when Annabel was waiting by Ellen's couch in the sick room of the latter, Dick and Mrs. Langton were holding mysterious conversations together, the subject of which was known only to themselves.

What tended to the furtherance of the evil design was the fact that Mrs. Langton was the only one of the four who could speak French, and as none of the people of the house knew a word of English, she had it in her power to make them believe exactly what she chose. Thus she gave them to understand that it was Ellen who was the young lady, Annabel the waiting-maid, who bore such an intense love to her young mistress that the illness of the latter was proving greatly on her mind, and she feared that it might ultimately render her insane. They were very simple, unsophisticated people the occupants of that inland farm-house, and implicitly believed all that Annabel told them.

There were several other points of her wide, comprehensive scheme which Mrs. Langton had to guard vigilantly in order its successful prosecution, and a less subtle, less fertile-minded, less watchful woman would have found the difficulties so numerous that she would have failed to provide for one or other of them, or allowed through inadvertence or otherwise something inappropriate to transpire by which the whole plot would have been perilled. Mrs. Langton, however, was no ordinary woman, and the immense importance of what she had at stake seemed to quicken all her powers of subtlety and intrigue, so that nothing was overlooked, and no awkward or inconvenient event allowed to transpire. To be sure, she had little else to do but watch over the progress of her scheme, for having given up the nursing of Ellen almost wholly to Annabel, she had few duties or cares connected with their residence in that place to occupy either her time or attention. She was free therefore to bend her whole mind and energies towards the one object, and the history of every day and week which passed appeared to be carrying things forward to a successful issue.

KENNEL CHILLINGLY by Lord Lytton.—We have to acknowledge the receipt from Mr. Day of a copy of the Canadian Edition of this, Lord Lytton's last work. Those who remember "The Caxtons," "My Novel,"—written in the prime, so to speak, of the author's genius, will not be disappointed at this last effort of his powerful brain. It exhibits no falling off in that skillful delineation of character, the originality of conception and plot, and the purity of writing, for which the gifted author was so remarkable. It is a work that will be read with pleasure by all who have read the author's former works; and can well take its place among the best and freshest of his earlier productions. As a specimen of Canadian work, the volume is very creditable, being beautifully printed, on good paper, and adorned with a portrait of the author.

On Saturday evening, while intoxicated, a young man named Farrel fell out of a wagon, at Oshawa, a wheel of which passed over his head and throat. He died three days after.

BREAKFAST.—Epps's Cocoa.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills.—Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with Boiling Water or Milk. Each packet is labelled "James Epps & Co., Homoeopathic Chemist, London."

MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—We will now give an account of the process adopted by Messrs. James Epps & Co., manufacturers of dietetic articles, at their works in the Eastern Road, London.—See article in Cassell's Household Guide, 32nd ed.

The new combination of Hypophosphites invented by Mr. Fellows (Fellows' Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites) is making many extraordinary cures through out the Provinces, particularly in diseases of the nervous system, the heart and the lungs.

"Healing on the Wings" say all who have made use of Dr. Wistars Balsam of Wild Cherry, and by such use been cured of coughs, colds, bronchitis, sore throat, influenza or consumption. The prudent will always keep the standard remedy by them.

THE FIRST ARRIVAL OF NEW GOODS AT GEORGE JEFFREY'S.

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 12½c. per yard, being usually sold at 16c. per yard, in beautiful New Designs and Colors.

Ladies ought to come early and get a good choice of those

UNPRECEDENTED CHEAP GOODS!

Also, another Lot of Lace Collars at Half Price.

NO TROUBLE TO SHOW GOODS.

GUELPH, FEB. 21, 1873.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH!

GREAT SALE OF Watches, Jewellery, etc.

CONTINUED

AT R. CRAWFORD'S OWN STORE.

Having to remove the Bankrupt Stock of John R. Porter 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.

An Immense Sacrifice.

Guelph, March 4, 1873. dwf

MEDICAL DISPENSARY.

Just Received, a Large Supply of LUBIN'S

"GRAND TRUNK."

The most elegant and fashionable Perfumery of the day.

PIESSE & LUBIN'S

RIBBON OF BRUGES.

A very fragrant Toilet Soap

For THE SICK ROOM

MEDICINE SPOONS,

TEA AND DESSERT SPOONS.

A fresh supply at the Medical Dispensary.

G. B. McCullough,

Dispensing Chemist

Guelph, Guelph.

12,000,000 ACRES!

Cheap Farms.

The cheapest Land in the market for sale by the

UNION PACIFIC RAILWAY COY

In the Great Platte Valley.

3,000,000 Acres in Central Nebraska.

Now for sale in tracts of forty acres and upward on five and ten years' credit at 6 per cent. No advance interest required. Mild and healthful climate, fertile soil, abundance of good water, THE BEST MARKET IN THE WEST. The great mining regions of Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Nevada being supplied by the farmers in the PLATTE VALLEY.

Soldiers Entitled to a Homestead of 160 Acres

The Best Locations for Colonies

Persons of Foreign birth are entitled to

The Benefit of the Homestead Law

On declaring their intention to become citizens of the United States, and may avail themselves of this provision immediately after their arrival.

FREE HOMES FOR ALL! Millions of acres of choice Government Lands open for entry under the Homestead Law, near the Great Railroad, with good markets and all the conveniences of an old settled country.

Free passes to purchasers of Railroad Land. Sectional maps showing the Land, also new edition of descriptive pamphlet with new and valuable free everywhere.

Address: O. F. DAVIS,

Land Commissioner, U. P. R. R.,

OSAMA, NEBRASKA.

April 10, 1873. 3m-w-dw-w.

HEART & SPEIRS,

Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance and General Agents,

4 Day's Block, Guelph

In reference to the above, Wm. Hart begs to inform his friends and the public that he has entered into partnership with Mr. J. S. Speirs in the above business, and while expressing his grateful acknowledgments for the liberal share of patronage bestowed upon him for the past three years, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm.

All business entrusted to us will receive prompt and strict attention.

Deeds, Mortgages, Wills, Leases, &c., &c.

neatly and correctly prepared.

MONEY always on hand in sums to suit borrowers, on mortgages or good personal security. No delay or extravagant charges.

Our list of Town and Farm Property is large and varied, and all parties in want of real estate of any kind should call on us before purchasing elsewhere.

Agents for the Commercial Union Assurance Company of London, England.

HART & SPEIRS,

4 Day's Block, Guelph, Ont.

NEW COAL YARD.

The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of

Hard and Soft Coal

At moderate prices. Orders left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to.

GEO. MURTON,

Guelph, Nov. 1, 1872. dy

CASH, CASH, CASH!

GRAND SHOW ROOM

OPENING

WITH

ALL the NOVELTIES of THE SEASON!

French Pattern Bonnets,

French Pattern Hats,

MANTLES,

JACKETS, COSTUMES, &c.,

Making the finest stock ever shown in Guelph, and

AT MODERATE PRICES.

R. CLAYTON,

Upper Wyndham Street.

P. S.—I have secured the services of Miss Moore to manage the Millinery Department.

Before You Purchase Your Wall Paper Go To WALL PAPERS! Anderson's Bookstore, Guelph. Style, Variety, Pattern and Price.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL

White Dress Shirts,

Oxford and Regatta Shirts,

With Collars to match.

Particular attention paid to this Department, and any style of Shirt made to measure, and a

PERFECT FIT GUARANTEED.

SHAW & MURTON,

Wyndham St., Guelph.

Guelph, April 29, 1873. do

COATINGS.

Blue Worsted Coatings,

Venetians,

Blue Serge.

Tweeds in Great Variety

JOHN MACDONALD & CO.,

TORONTO.

The subscriber keeps on hand a large quantity of First-class Fresh Lime, Cut and Un-cut Stone Sills, Lintels, Corners, Marble Sockets, etc. etc., which he is in a position to sell at a very low rate to parties who favor him with their patronage. As he intends enlarging his branch of industry, he will offer inducements that few men in the trade can offer.

Sand sold by the load or otherwise.

Don't mistake place—the new stone house near the G. T. R. passenger station, where he will be always found attending to his business. DENIS COFFEY, Guelph, April 18, 1873. dwf

New Dry Goods!

Wm. Stewart

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!

Files of Scarlet Flannel at 25c

Files of Gray Flannel at 35c

Files of Winey from 10c

Files 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. dw

PLOUGH.

Just received, a quantity of the celebrated

Gray Ploughs,

From Scotland, manufactured by Gray & Uddington, near Glasgow;

A good assortment of Stoves and Tinware for sale cheap.

W. HEATHER,

Corner Woolwich-st. and Eramosa Road Guelph, 2nd April, 1873. dw

FOR SALE—Lot 71, on Wyndham-st. Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Denis Coffey, Guelph, December 27th, 1872. dt

THE PORTER, ONTARIO & VICTORIA

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 Eramosa Road Guelph, 2nd April, 1873. dw

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 Race and Waste Paper Depot, corner of King and Queen streets. Address "RAGS or WASTE PAPER," 216 and 218 King Street West. Will receive from 1lb. to 10,000lbs. D. MURPHY, Hamilton Dec. 11, 1872. dy

PARKER'S HOTEL,

DIRECTLY—

OPPOSITE the MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers. Commodious stabling and an attentive hostler.

The best Liquors and Cigars at the bar. He has just fitted up a room where Caters will be served up at all hours, in the favorite styles.

Pickled Salmon, Lobsters, and Sardines. Guelph, Feb 1, 1873. dw

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

AT J. HUNTER'S

Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods, and Toy Store. 47 Wyndham Street Guelph.

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 prices, 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. dw

NEW Lumber Yard

IN GUELPH.

The subscriber has opened, under the supervision 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 building 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, at any station on the G. W. R., or in cars at the Mill Siding north of Walkerton.

Bill Lumber saved to order, and delivered with promptness.

Sokasippi Mills Lumber Yard.

April 21st, 1873. CHARLES MICKLE, Lumber.

HOTEL CARD.

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 reasonable 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. 18, 1872. dw

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hat'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,

Guelph, Dec. 29, 1872. dw

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