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The Maiden's Choice

A Tale of the Covenanters.

CHAPTER XVIII.—THE PLOT SUCCEEDS.

The project which Charlic Allan and Jahez Cringan had set themselves to accomplish was one which required much cautious and dexterous procedure, and they knew it.

They were well aware that if any word or deed of theirs caused Helen to suspect that a marriage between her and Allan was purposed by them when she left Brankswood their scheme would be effectually frustrated, and that their only chance lay in making it appear as if that idea had grown out of the circumstances which terminated her engagement with Richard Wayland. Jabez Cringan was acute enough to understand this, and he earnestly strove to impress Charlic with the necessity of exercising the utmost patience and subtle circumspection. But the latter quite understood it too, and was prepared to act in the way the Miser suggested. For the present he kept quite abod from the cottage, and it was not till two months had clapsed that he put himself in Helen's way. Even then the meeting had all the appearance of being accidental, for it was during the outburst of a heavy thunderstoon that Allan presented himself at the door to seek for shelter, representing that he had been overtaken by the storm while hunting on the moor, and had come thither as the nearest place of refuge.

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versation in that direction fie expressed astonishment at learning that her engagement with Wayland was broken off, certainly and utterly.

With the most ardul skill, he made no further advance on this occasion, but, acting on secret intelligence communicated by Cringan, he managed to cross her path in her lonely walks in the vicinity of the cottage, and conversed with her with a delicacy of bearing well calculated not to alarm her into a sudden perception of his intentions. He plied well the art of which he was no mean master—the art of making himself agreeable. Nothing could be more gentlemanly or considerate that his conduct towards her, and ere long she felt pleasure in his society, and came to look upon him not only without aversion, but with something like a kindly and grateful feeling.

Meanwhile her father was secretly increasing the effect by making her residence with him as comfortless and disagreeable as posble. His miserly habits were intensitied to a disgusting degree. Necessaries of-every kind were denied both to himself and her, except to the extent of barely keeping in life; while not a farthing would be expend for clothing, and he even prohibited her from making the cottage clean and decent. This mode of life was, of course, sickeningly repulsive to her, and left her to thin of an escape from it as a welcome deliverance. This was prescibly the effect the two plotters wished to produce, but the issue was not just to their mind when Heleon one day intimated to her father her intention of seeking a situation somewhere. This was a resolution which necessitated more explicit action on Charlie's part, and accordingly his attentions to her became such as thoroughly to alarm her. But her alarm was changed into amazement when he told her that he ardently and devotedly loved her, and asked her to be his wife.

His wife! the idea had never once entered His wife! the idea had never once enter-her mind, and so impossible did such a very contract and a such a contract and a contract of course of the contract and a contract and con-density of the contract and a contract and con-celly pressed his suit. In her presence at he formally asked ber father? consent, an

Challe Allan. She had loved litchard as woman can love only once, and only one object. That deep, pure, undying affection which she had cherished for him could not be transferred to another, and she was conscious that she did not love, and could not love Charlie, but the believed relationship between Richard and herself having mark her love for him no longer a pure and holy passion, but a crime, she felt that in stilling it she was but doing a sacred duty, and ever since their separation the poor girl had been doing her beat to reash out of her heart that love which she had cherished towards him, and bring her heart to regard him with no more than sisterly affection.

In this sad work she had made but poor progress. Knowing that she ought to cease to love him as she had done, she imagined and hoped that she bad succeeded, yet at times when she was off her guard she campth herself thinking of him with feelings ver different from that of a sister, and at times times she rushed with something like a desperation to a consideration of Charlie Allan and his proposal.

She knew, we say, that she did not and

Eramosa Township Council.

Eramosa Township Conneil.
The Conneil met on the 24th Feb, at Centre Ina, pursuant to adjournment, the members present; the Reeve in chair. The minutes of last meeting we read, and continued. The Inspector Licenses spresented his report certifying it may be a supported by the Proving the American Marketing of the Provin Statutes and the Hy-laws of the Municipal The report was received and ordered tengossed on the minutes. The Reeve Clerk were authorized to grant certificate the several Tayora keepers to obtain Licenfrom the Collector of Inland Revenue.

By-Law was introduced by Mr. Rea, for

Robert Passmore and 49 others for aid for Mrs. Sulfivan, an indigent person, was received, and ten dollars granted for her immediate relief. William Johnson presented a letter from Martin & Ferguson, Barristers, Hamilton, in reference to his claims for support by the Municipality, which on motion of Mr. Farrish, seconded by Mr. Dickieson, was laid on the table. Ten dollars were voted for the relief of Mrs. Forrester. The Auditors presented their report which was received and ordered to be engrossed on the minutes. The Clerk was instructed to have the back taxes on all Lotie exempted by resolution of Council, together with all back taxes paid to the Township Collector, struck off the County Treasurer's books. Two dollars and fifty cents were voted towards paying the funeral expenses of the late James Jackson found dead on the road, and two dollars for a medical account for attending Rose Ellis's son. On motion the Council adjourned to meet at the Centre Inn as a Court of Revision, on Monday, the 4th day of May next.

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