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The Rival Clansmen A Scottish Vendetta. CHAPTER XII.

A FIGHT-A TENHIDLE STRUGGLE-SHAT-TERED DES-SINKING !

TERM SEASTING ! Shouting an fling, the M'Leods followed the now dispersed Caterans, but with little success, for, once clear of their opponents, they ran and doubled with such speed and agility that the classmen were soon left behind; and to their cha-grin they saw that the Caterans.had escaped them. "Come back, M'Leods," shouted the Chieftain; " our work is now here. Search the cave for my son. I am glad you are safe, both of yon," he continued, as Condon approached, accompanied by

you as eace, both of yon," he continued, as Gordon approached, accompanied by the Witch of Ben-Lair. The Lowiander had with the others runched after the Cat-erans when they first dispersed, and on his return had been joined by the old weman, who during the melce had taken shelter behind a rock, where she was suite safe.

sheiter behind a rock, where she was "It's been a fell bit stramsch," ob-served Gordon, wiping his sword and re-turning it to its seabbard, as he approach-ed the Chief; " bat I'm thinkin' yer M'Leods has gi'en them a bit lesson. Gad ! there's fewer doon than I thooht there wad has been," he exclaimed, look-ing around him.

there was not him, ing around him, "Fewer than might have been expect-"Fewer than might have been expect-ad" returned the libits. "By my clay-ad" returned the libits. I hief. "By my clay none too quick. of Ben-Lair would

joined in the fray." "You were lucky, Roderick. But now for the search." As he spoke the old man turned and entered the cave, accompanied by the Witch of Ben Lair and Gordos, and fol-lowed by the rest of the clansme. The cavern seemed to be divided into two portions, the entrance to the one on the right hand presenting itself imme-diately upon the place being entered. Into this, which was dimly lighted, the clansmon at once rushed in search of plander; but the Chief, with Gordon and the Witch, having obtained possession of a lamp to guide them, struck off in the other direction. This passage was of considerable length, and was narrow and tortaons, the floor being strewn with rough pieces of rock, making walking difficult. Cantiously they threaded their way dong, meither of then speaking, until at length M'Leod, who walked first and carried the light, stopped shert and turned towards his comparisons with a puzzled expres-sion. He had reached the end of the passace.

sion. He had reached the end of the passage, and had found no place where Hector was likely to be confined. "You cannot have been mistaken," he gasped, regarding the Witch anxiously, his white lips trembling as he uttered the words.

words. "No," was the reply; "we must

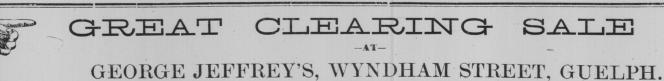
"No," was the reply; "we must search closer." "Strange," muttered M'Leod; "there seems to be no place of concealmentlead-ing from this." "We micht gie a bit halloo, "sugges ed Gordon. "He may be within hearin' distance an' us no aware o'd." "We might try that," replied the Chief; the raising his weice, he cried out, "Hector -Hector M'Leod." The sound filled the vanited possage. and was re-echoed from every nook and crevice; but here was no response. The old man shock hishead eadly, and a tear dimmed his eye. He had entered the platered is breast become the abode of despair.

spair. "'Good heavens !" he exclaimed, "sure-ly they cannot already have done the wicked deed." The Wich of Ben-Lair looked treubled and sad, but was almost afraid to venture

"Lat's try a wee bit farther this wye," "Lat's try a wee bit farther this wye," suggested Gordon, turning and retracing his steps for some distance. Mechanically the Chieftain followed

"Are you there, Hector M'Leod?" "honted the Lowlander, the volume of bound from his stentorian lungs almost saming the rocks to start from their

eausing the rocks to start from their places. Eagerly they listened for a response. It eame. The voice of Hestor M'Leod was heard in reply— "Is it you, Ned Gordon? Thank God, I am safe." " My son I my Hestor !" shouted the old man, in an costasy of joyful excite-ment. "Where are you? where are you? But the answer was lost in a loud shout which Gordon raised at the same moment. He had discovered the entrances to the snot where Hector lay. Seising the old



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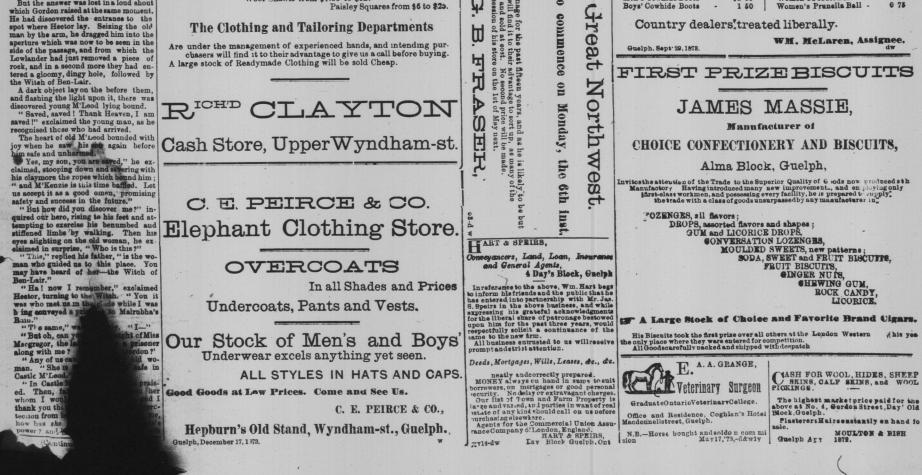
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