

HELEN MOIR

LOVE AND HONOUR.

A TALE OF THE CLYDE. CHAPTER XXIII.

ANOTHER DAY AT ARDENADAM—EDWIN AND RITCHIE IN LONDON.

"Now your opinion?" cried the latter, with eager impetuosity.

"My opinion is the same as yours," answered Weggate; "I don't believe your uncle forged this bill."

"I was sure of it," exclaimed the youth, his frank, handsome face beaming with delight.

"Ah, there you puzzle me. I confess I think the chance is a small one."

"Of course," said Edwin, "the question of expense need not be considered. I will pay very largely for the needed information."

But the information will be worth it. But I was not thinking of that. Gamblers are short-lived mortals, and as twenty years have elapsed since the occurrence, we can scarcely hope to trace the parties. If that man Mangles could be come at, and be induced to speak out, we should have the full truth."

"The very fellow," thought Edwin, "I have learned from my uncle that the house to which he was lured was in a quiet street on the right hand, off Oxford Street, a little beyond the Regent Circus."

Mr. Weggate shook his head.

"That helps us but little," he remarked. "With no better clue, we might search the neighborhood for months, and search in vain. Twenty years have changed everything. No, no; I must think of some means more promising, and an idea strikes me which may lead to something."

"Ha, what is that?" impudently queried the excited youth.

"Do not build too much upon it," responded the lawyer, by way of caution. "It may fail—at least succeed only to show us the impossibility of reaching the knowledge we seek. I have a client down in Surrey—Squire Oakley—who dipped deep at the gaming-table some fifteen or twenty years ago. He saw his folly and extricated himself before his fortune was altogether gone, though it was fearfully shattered. His acquaintance with the various houses, and with those who frequented them, must have been large. Perhaps he can assist in finding Mangles. I will telegraph for him, and if he is at home he will come up at once, for he is as good-hearted a fellow as breathes, and we will be quite safe in giving him our confidence."

"My dear Weggate, that is a capital idea," said Edwin. "When will the Squire be up?"

"To-night, if he is at Oakley Grange; but we shall soon learn."

And the lawyer laid his lips to a speaking tube at the side of his chair, and having held a whispered conversation with some one in another room, he resumed talk with those who were in his bodily presence.

A quarter of an hour or so passed in discussing the subject which was to them of so much interest. Then a spring bell on the table sounded shrilly, and the lawyer went to the tube again to listen to a communication which was coming through it.

"It's all right," he exclaimed, in a tone of satisfaction. "The Squire is at home, and will be in town this evening. Return here to-morrow at ten, and he will be here, when I hope we shall learn something of an encouraging nature. Now, Mr. Allerton," added the lawyer, with a smile, "I hope you will excuse me. I have a heavy case to go over for consultation, and—"

"And you want us away," laughed Edwin. "Very good. I know a lawyer's time is the most precious of commodities, and you have given us the best part of the day already. To-morrow you may look for us as the clock strikes the hour. Come, Ritchie, in the interval I shall show you some of the sights of London."

Shaking hands warmly, they left the lawyer's chambers, and issued forth into the great thoroughfare of Fleet Street.

A Plea for Temperance.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

See, in last week's Fergus News-Record appeared a second letter addressed to the Good Templars. The writer, after objecting to the rough treatment his communication had received, declared he was the best at writing poetry, but would ungraciously refrain from whipping his opponent again in that line. Then he makes a number of charges against the Good Templars, which, if he ever belonged to a temple, he knows to be false, and, if not, he states positively what he knows nothing about. He says temperance societies are unchristian and unscriptural, and quotes a number of passages to support him. It would be easy to quote as many to oppose him, but allow two to suffice: "It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stameth, or is offended, or is made weak."

"Abstain from all appearance of evil." He says that temperance societies are made to supersede religion, but he does not try to prove it by actual facts. If he had as firm a belief in the truths taught in the Bible as most temperance men have, he would not be the least alarmed, as truth cannot suffer in coming in contact with error. Temperance societies don't pretend to take the place of religion, but, like other societies of a like nature that exist in the country to act as auxiliaries to religion. There are as many Good Templars members of Christian churches as there are of any other class of churches. He says, "They charge the servants of God with want of success." If we take the ground that Good Templars take there is a want of success, viz: That there is no safety only in total abstinence. If my friend's observation stretches beyond the length of his nose, he knows that a truth can be a member of a Christian church and indulge in the intoxicating cup, and get drunk occasionally. Where would my friend draw the line? He says he is not given to strong drink. Granting this, but his influence must be either on one side or the other. "He that is not for me is against me." So, from his own opinion in favor of moderate drinking, he is among the liquor squad. What are the natural effects of anti-temperance letters like the one we are criticizing? Why, to strengthen the liquor traffic, and thereby not drunkenness, to make the landlord laugh louder in his bagroom; to bring the concealed whiskey jug more prominently before the public; to encourage the smug; to fetch the drunkard out of his hiding place, and make him bolder against totalitarians; to encourage those regard for our license fees; to encourage illicit distilling; to encourage street fighting, along with the fan and gambling; to add to the list of 8,000 who are said to die annually in Canada filling drunkards' graves; in

short, to give a stimulus to all the train of evils connected with the liquor traffic. He says he "cannot palliate anything so antagonistic to the gospel and at variance with the word of God." I would like him to mention one thing in existence that is so prolific of evil as the liquor traffic. That temperance societies are not free from evil I will admit. Can he mention any society that is perfect? The question is, Is there more good than evil resulting from them? I believe that there is more good, and for that reason I am a Good Templar. I am not given to strong drink any more than my friend, but I surrender this right of mine to drink for the sake of others who are unable to control their appetites from long habitual use, and who need the aid of religion and temperance societies both to keep them straight, and the reason I am in favor of total abstinence is because I believe there is more evil resulting from the liquor traffic than good. A GOOD TEMPLAR. Arthur, March 25, 1872.

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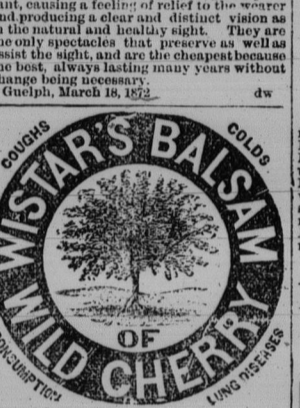
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