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The Foster Brother; The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XXIX.

decimally love have got me out of the feeling which threatened to grow morbid, and now I am thinking of the matter in its delightful aspect. Accept my congratulation, George, on the discovery that has been made; you know no one can more sincerely rejoice over it than I do, not only on the fact that your parentage is discovered, but on account of that parentage itself. To think that you should turn out to be the son of George Morrar! And yet, now that the irnth has come out, how wonderful that we never suspected it."

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"How could we, or how could any one?" answered George. "Everything was against the truth being guessed at. The marriage of George Morrar was entirely maknown. How, then, could it be imagined that the dead lady was his wife, and her child his son? Then, to make the truth difficult of discovery, the turning up of Garrett with the so-called widow and child of George Morrar prevented any one's thoughts from going in such a direction."

"No doubt of it—the infamous wretch. But how clear all is made to us now, and how well we understand the visits of Garrett to this place to learn the state of Walley. No wonder that he dreaded the return of his reason."

"Ah" said George, "and how the circumstance of the shipment of the negro girl is explained. She was Milley, my mother's black servant girl. She came over, no doubt, expecting to find her mistress—my mother—at Ardgowan."

"Ha! a light somes to me," said Tarry.
"That must have been the time when my father was made aware of the frances." Successfully exceuted. "Garnet and Rangoon. Up till then, he must have been as much their victim as anyone; but I have heard from the servants that, one day, a negro girl came to the house, and my father went with her to Ardgowan; that she was nover seen again; that after that he and Nathan Garret were amazingly friendly, and that we were no longer in straightened circumstances. Oh, I see it all as if it were written in a book before me. He heard Milley's story, learned the truth, went with her to the mansion and confronted the conspirators. But Garrett was not yet done; he had another card to play. He gave my father to know of your existence, and then their iniquitous compact was made. The poor, helpless Milley was cruelly betrayed, and shipped off, as the sailor told you, and they shared the spoil between them. Depend upon it, George, that is the way of it."

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George was inclined to hold Harry's opinion as sound, for it also gave explanation of the conversation between Garrett and the Captain which George overheard on the day of his arrival at Ardgowan. We know how traly the youth had devined; but nearly all that was made known to them that day must have been pretty strewdly guessed by the reader long ere this, who, we doubt not, fully anticipated the nature of the revelation which Walley would make were his reason restored. "What a wonderful Providence has been in it all!" said George, after some moments of silent musing. "How distinctly the Divine hand can be traced guiding and governing events! How wonderful, for instance, that I should fall into the care of Kenneth and Lucy! Oh, could they have known whose child it was whom they adopted, how glad at heart would they have known whose child it was whom they adopted, how glad at heart would they have known whose child it was whom they adopted, how glad at heart would they have known whose child it was whom they have been!"

"They know it now," said Harry, with solemn emphasis. "They know it reve did, and I doubt not received your parents' thanks when they met in heaven. But, as you say, the working of a beneficent Providence is clearly seen, and the more longer we think of it. It is seen in us two being brought together; in my marriage with Caroline, whom I loved before I knew she was the daughter of Kenneth Bruce; in your going to Ardgowan and meeting and loving Lilias; in our friendship formed with Manby, by which we were brought to Walley at the moment when he declared your parentage; in short, the Providential chain is seen joining itself link by link, till now it is complete in a result which will establish justice, abolish fraud, and consummate happiness.

"Yet," remarked George, "this same Providential working has an opposite and at first sight more perplexing aspect. In the various occurrences we have educed, how can we escape the thought that Providence to what seems only beneficial and protective; we must

ducing those untoward circumstances which made Garrett's plot possible. Don't you think so?"

"Well," returned Harry, rather taken aback, "I suppose we can't allow that these things took place in defiance of Providence, though I confess it is difficult to reconcile them with our idea of Divine goodness. The unravelling is more in harmony with that than the tangling."

Cañadian Monthly.—The December number of this periodical completes the first year and second volume. We are glad to see that the publishers have received such encouragement as to warrant them in promising not only that they will keep up the magazine to its present standard, but that they will make improvements and increase its attractions. This is very encouraging and is a good proof that a really good magazine, of purely Canadian manufacture, both literary and therwise, will receive sufficient support to make it a puying enterprise. We expect to learn that the subscriptions to the new volume are largely in excess of those for that now finished. The most readable article in the December No, is Prof. Goldwin Smith's paper on the Labor Movement. There are also other interesting papers as will be seen by the contents:—Carmina (concluded); The Labor Movement; The Game of Checkers; Current Events; Stanley's Discovery of Livingstone; On the Law of Progress; Book Reviews; Literary Notes, &c. Copies for sale at the book-stores.

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