The Foster Brother:

The Orphan of the Wreck. CHAPTER XI.

It was Milley—weary, footsore, and travel-stained. How she had performed the long journey from Greeneck it would be difficult to guess. Clearly enough the five shillings given her by Jack Cousland could not have gone very far towards its accomplishment. It was in the height of summer, when in the open air the nights are even more pleasant than the days. Poor Milley would, therefore, feel it little of a hardship to lay her down among the grass or the springing corn and partially sleep away the weariness of the day's walking under the beaming stars; while in the matter of food it is charitably to be hoped that she met in with some of the good christians of whom honest Jack had spoken. At all events, there she was, looking languid and exhausted enough as in her faded and scanty dress she crept forward under the fierce heat of a summer sun—a heat which of itself did not greatly incommode her, since she come from a clime where the sun shed far fiercer rays. But the long, long journey performed on foot, and made much longer by the devious paths which in her ignorance she had often taken, had worn her very much, and very tired and exhausted she looked as listlessly she dragged herself along.

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When she noticed the large old-fashioned house among the trees, she gazed at it wistfully, and lingered a while at the gate as if half inclined to go within. Then suddenly her eyes lighted on Stephen, who was quite close to her on the other side of the hedge.

She looked at him earnestly. His was a face that wore no kindly or encouraging aspect, but at least he was not frowning at her, and she ventured to accost him.

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He leant over the hedge, and seeing there was some writing on the paper, he took it from her hand and looked at it. And this was what he read, in a hand-writing the peculiarity of which made him start with surprise—

"Mr. George Morrar,

"Ardgowan,

"Glenfask,

"Aberdeenshire,"

The handwriting hie recognised in a moment as that of his cousin George.

"Why, where on earth did you get this?" he wonderingly asked.

"Massa gibe me dat," was the answer.

"What master?

"Massa Morrar—he gabe it me to know how find him and missus in Scotland."

land."
Stephen's astonishment and curiosity were doubled.
"Where have you come from?" he quickly inquired.
"Me from Jamaica."
"Ha!"he cried; you were a slave on his plantation?"
"No, no!" sheresponded, with energy; "me belong to missus, but she make me free 'fore she went away."
"Ah, I see; you lived with Mrs. Morrar?"

"Yes, sar," replied Milley, with a rapid and repeated nodding of her head. Then, with a sudden animation, and the wild light of jovus hope animating her dusky features, she added, "Is dis de place?" "Ardgowan? No, it's more than two miles distant."

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You seem tired," observed Stephen.
Yes, massa, bery, bery tired."
How far have you walked?"
All de way from de ship, sar—long,
g road."

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Not from Greenock, surely?"

"Don't know the name. 'Beautiful river, plenty mountains—den I walk long way, and see big big town—much smoke, very much tall chimney."

"I see—I understand. That was Glasgow; and have you really come all the distance on foot?"

"Ebery bit, massa."

There was a pause, during which Stephen was thinking and pondering; and the negress, after gazing at him for a few moments with mute solicitation, began to move slowly away. "Stay a moment," he said; "are you not hungry?"

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"Oh, yes, massa! bery bery hungry," she quickly responded, and her face again grew eager and expectant.
"Well, come up with me to the house, and you shall have some food."
The thick lips parted with a gladsome smile, revealing two rows of the whitest of teeth, looking all the purer from the surrounding darkness; and as Stephen opened the gate she glided in, and with clasped hands looked up into his face

Headquarters of the Maple

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"Thank you, massa, you bery kind, bery good to poor Milley.
Perhaps be was not so kind as Milley imagined. The invitation he had given her to come up to the house for food and rest was not prompted altogether by feelings of humanity. His curiosity was aroused respecting this negro girl and the mission on which she had come all the way from Jamaica to Ardgowan, and he wished to know more about it. Herewas an opportanity for gaining information about the plantation, its size and its management—about Mathan Garret, and even about Mrs. Morrar, which might prove useful. This, it must be confessed was the chief motive which caused him to show kindness to Milley.

Arrived at the house, he did not send her to the kitchen, but took her into the empty paripur, and, orderin the scream to set a large quantity of meat and bread before her, he sat down to watch the satisfaction and delight with which she devoured it.

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