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Jeannie Sinclair,

OR,

THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

CHAPTER XXIII.

GEORGE MUNRO IN A HORRIBLE DILEMMA—THE VOLUNTEER HANGMAN AND HIS ASSISTANT—INTERVIEW IN THE CONDEMNED CELL BETWEEN THE PRISONER AND HIS EXECUTIONER.

And now the fatal morning had come. He had passed his last restless night on earth, and never again should twilight and darkness settle down upon the dim light of his cell. Calling up all the firmness which the endurance of his sufferings had left him, he nerved himself for the last scene, little dreaming how his soul was yet to be shaken by the pangs of unexpected retributive justice.

It wanted yet more than an hour to the appointed time, when his cell door was unlocked, and the jailor entered, accompanied by a man with a slouched hat, who came in with a silent gliding motion, like some dark and fearful shadow.

Lynedoch started up, and wildly exclaimed, 'Is it already the time?'

'Not quite,' replied the jailor. 'It wants an hour yet. This man will remain with you for a part of it.'

'That man—I don't want him; I want to see nobody. Who is he?—but whoever he is he can go away.'

The jailor directed a silent look to his companion, in answer to which the latter merely said, pointing to an iron handle near the door—

'That bell, you say, communicates with your room. When I ring it you will come and let me out.'

The jailor nodded, and went away, leaving the stranger and the prisoner locked up in the cell together.

The man stood still, and, with folded arms, regarded Lynedoch for some moments in utter silence. He was in the deep shadow, and his face could not be seen, while the countenance of the prisoner was made visible by the only light which came through the iron grating of the cell and fell upon it.

The face so revealed was white and bloodless; its expression indicated the extremity of terror, while the occasional gasping for breath betrayed the intensity of the inward horror. He sank helplessly back in his seat, and gazed at the silent, shrouded form with a shuddering fascination.

When the jailor's step had died away in the distance, the man stalked deliberately forward till the light shone on him likewise, when he threw his slouched hat back from his brow and revealed a face glowing with malignant triumph.

'Now, Lynedoch Sinclair,' he uttered, in a voice deep and harsh as the voice of an avenging fury, 'the hour of retribution has come.'

'Who are you? What want you?' faltered the miserable man.

'Do you not know me?' demanded the other.

'No,' answered Lynedoch. 'I never saw you before.'

'That is false. We met once, though 'tis many years ago; but the interview was too memorable to have passed from your recollection. Mind you not the day when, riding to see Mark Gideon about the abduction of the child from Baigley Castle, a man grasped your bridle rein and compelled you to listen to what he had to tell you? Ha! by that start I see you know me now. Yes, Lynedoch Sinclair, I am Will Sanderson, the man whose life you blighted, the lover of the girl you ruined and destroyed.'

'Begone,' roared Lynedoch. 'I want you not. Your presence is torture to me.'

'Ho, ho, torture is it? That confession is like marrow to my bones. Your tone is different from that you held yon day, when you scoffed and mocked at my intimation of future vengeance. Who may scoff and mock now, Lynedoch Sinclair? You or I? Has not the retribution I spoke of tracked you through all those years with slow but sure steps till now its grasp is upon you, and the hour is come when you are to be crushed in its full embrace? So at length my words have come true. Do you remember what they were? Said I not this to you?—I live now only for revenge. I will crush you as effectually as you have crushed me. Should you forget this interview you shall have ample cause to remember it. It may be years hence, but the hour of retribution shall come—These were my words, Lynedoch Sinclair, and say now if they have not come true?'

'Begone, I tell you,' roared Lynedoch, again. 'A fiend from hell—if there were such a place—would be more welcome to me at this moment than you.'

'If there be such a place,' said Will. 'You know there is such a place. Its punishment has taken hold of you even now, and in an hour you will have entered it for ever.'

'Lies, lies; there is no such place,' shouted Lynedoch, in a paroxysm of frenzy.

'The terrors you feel are proof that you don't believe what you say. But I haven't came to argue with you what doesn't require argument.'

'Then why have you come? How dared they allow a fellow like you to come near me?'

'A fellow like me!' repeated Will, with a harsh crowing laugh. 'Soft a bit. You are not, Master Lynedoch, now strutting about at large and ordering here and there as you did at the Castle. There you are, chained down in this dark cell, and in less than an hour you will be strangled like a dog before the people you used to treat so haughtily. So you needn't go back on your fine airs, for they won't serve you. Aristocrat as you are, my time has come to be uppermost, and you must lie beneath my foot while it crushes you. You ask why I have come. I'll tell you. It's to heap on you the full measure of your retribution—to show you how Nell and me are both revenged. It is for what you did to her you are now here'

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