

The Rival Clansmen:

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER III.

THE M'KENZIES RAFFLED—AN UNFORTUNATE GIRL—LOCH MAREE—DANGER AGAIN—THREATENS THE LOVERS.

"But you have yet to tell me how it was that Ian M'Kenzie and you became acquainted, and how he came to be so fondly attached to you," observed Hector. "He was about a year ago a constant visitor at my uncle's," replied Flora; "and I met him often at the table, although never otherwise. I soon discovered that he paid a great deal more attention to me than ever I had given him any warrant for, but I never dreamed that he had formed a resolution such as the one he gave expression to in the hut."

"Do you think your uncle favoured his advances to you, or gave him any reason to hope for success in his endeavour to obtain your hand?"

"Well, since hearing Ian express himself as he did in the hut, I am inclined to think it must have been he to whom my uncle referred when he spoke of his having a suitor in view for my hand. He has several times spoken to me of 'Randall Murray,' and asked me what I thought of him. He always spoke of him as if he considered him to be a very estimable person."

"That is just exactly what has occurred to me," replied Hector, "and that will of course give him additional assurance. But I do not think there is any danger of interference now from any one. In fifteen minutes, if steeds are to be had, we shall be on our way to Castle M'Leod. Once there, and we are safe. But for so many Macdonalds being here, M'Kenzie might have been after us with his clansmen before this time."

The two had now reached the inn, and after conducting Flora to the little parlour, Hector went out in quest of horses.

She sat down at the little window which looked to the rear of the house, and which, because of the building being placed on a raised knoll, commanded a fine view of Loch Maree. A charming meadow, dotted with trees, lay between the inn and the loch, on which the cattle quietly browsed. Beyond was the extensive sheet of water, smooth as glass, in which were mirrored the lofty and frowning Ben Slegach and not less lofty and frowning Ben Eay—two giants gazing at each other across the loch, as if in manly rivalry. And stretching away, far as the eye could reach, were the waters of "far Loch Maree," guarded on either side by the wild and silent mountains, which, clad as their sides were by dark and sombre firs, tended to throw a shade of melancholy over the young lady's spirits, which she was unable to throw off.

Nor was this lessened when her gaze fell upon the beautiful island in the centre of the loch, which, though relieving the painful monotony of the scene and seeming to lend a sweet charm to that part of the lake, had also a shade of melancholy about them; for in the centre of the largest island stood a weird yet venerable-looking ruin, just visible from where she sat, about which, as the land-lord had informed herself and companions the previous evening, many strange things could be told. This spot—so the land-lord had said—was carefully avoided by the people of the district. It was said to be holy ground; and the spirit of the Saint Malincha, to whom the building—a church or monastery—had been originally dedicated, was supposed to visit it periodically, and, in token of the wrath of Heaven upon such as had at any time disturbed the seclusion and sanctity of the spot.

Having gazed at this weird and rugged scene for some time, Flora rose and crossed the room to the other window, which commanded a full view of Glen Dochart. Here nothing was to be seen but a wilderness of hills and mountains, rising range over range—not a bush nor a bracken to be seen—nought but bare mountains with the goats far up on the summits picking the scanty herbage which grew here and there in the interstices of the rocks. A path visible for nearly four miles led up the glen, until a sudden bend in the road hid it from view.

As she sat and gazed up the path, along which three or four killed or armed men were trudging, about a mile and a half distant from the inn, she saw a horseman suddenly sweep round the bend in full view.

She continued to gaze listlessly at the horseman, who was riding rapidly, and every minute urging on his steed to greater speed, until he had traversed nearly half the distance between the top of the glen and Kinloch-Ewe, when she suddenly started and a pallor overspread her face. Eagerly she gazed for a few seconds more, and then she sprang to her feet exclaiming—

"My uncle! Oh, heavens, what is to be done? We cannot escape!" She was just about to rush from the room in quest of Hector, when suddenly the horseman reined up and seemed to be gazing intently at something on the mountain-top at his right. Then she saw a figure, whom at the distance she could not recognize, rapidly descend the hill and approach the horseman, who after a minute's further delay spurred on harder than before, while the individual who had descended the hill, now joined by the others whom Flora had first seen on the road, also walked rapidly in the same direction.

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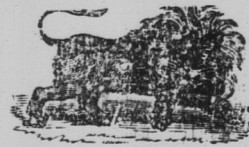
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