

THE MAID OF STORNOWAY.

BY WILLIAM BRADY.

CHAPTER II.

NEWS FROM FAR AWAY.

Three months past by before they got to Stornoway. It was on the evening of a warm autumn day that Alissa saw the solitary figure of the postman come over the level moors...

"That is a good thing, Duncan Lewis," she answered. "You have kept off the drink like a prudent man. It is not every one who has so much money in the bank at Stornoway."

"And it is time, Mrs. Macdonald," he continued, "that one of our family should take a wife, and the eldest first, according to the old saying."

"Yes, indeed, the eldest first," she said, producing a bottle, a glass, and a plate with some pieces of oatmeal cake on it.

"And this is it, Mrs. Macdonald; there is no lass in all the islands so good as this lass as your Alissa, Mrs. Macdonald, and if she will take me for a husband it is a good husband I will be to her; and I will come to Carn-Slean when there is no fishing and look after the farm for you, for you want a man to look after the farm at the time of sowing and at the time of the harvest."

"The Highland woman received this proposal in a calm and matter-of-fact way. It was not as if she were thinking of a letter from Alister Lewis that was in Glasgow. And this time you had come the right time; and there is more as a letter for you, and there is a gran' big book, a fery fine big book and you will be fery proud of it."

"Oh, ay," the shriveled old man said, opening his bag; "it was more than four times or six times that you had come to meet me, Alissa, and you was thinking I had a letter from Alister Lewis that was in Glasgow. And this time you had come the right time; and there is more as a letter for you, and there is a gran' big book, a fery fine big book and you will be fery proud of it."

"And if you will give me the book and the letter, John Cameron," said Alissa, rather impatiently, "you could go on to the house and help a dram."

"I saw, but a stranger; and you had come back to Darroch like a stranger, and you will speak no more like us, and you will be growing ashamed of the people that was your friends and neighbours."

"You were going on to the farm, Alissa?"

"I was coming only to see if the news was true; and now I am going back to Carn-Slean."

"I will row you across the water," said he; and then the two walked down to the shore of the island.

"I can swim back," said he with a smile, "if I will not forgotten the way of the swimming."

"And you will not come over to Carn-Slean and see my mother?" the girl said timidly.

"It is not in my night we will help spoken about you; and when I was writing a letter to you, she would always say, 'You will not put the good English into your letter, and she will be a great scholar, and she will be learning the good English.' I did not think it was writing to you, Alister, that was that."

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