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"Stand like an anvil," when the sparks
Fly far and wide, a fiery shower;
Virtue and truth must still be marks
Where malice proves its want of power.

"Stand like anvil," when the bar
Lies, red and glowing, on its breast;
Duty shall be life's leading star,
And conscious innocence its rest.

"Stand like an anvil," when the sound
Of ponderous hammers pains the ear,
Thine but the still and stern rebound
Of the great heart that cannot fear.

"Stand like an anvil," noise and heat
Are born to earth, and die with time,
The soul, like God, its source and seat,
Is solemn, still, serene, sublime.

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BY W. B. TOR.

Here amid the intense wonder of the crowded court the judge handed to the clerk the document, and that functionary read out audibly as follows:

"The writer of this having by accident read in the newspaper the report of the trial of Mr. Maudsley, and in connection therewith, read the evidence of Maria Jones, keeper of a house of ill repute, avows such evidence to be malicious and false. The writer is the girl Lizzie named in such evidence, and has Mr. Maudsley alone to thank for rescuing her from a life of shame. She is now through his goodness and christian charity, leading an honest life and is here prepared to prove her statements, if by so doing she can serve the innocent, although it must be by imperilling her own present position."

The counsel for the crown immediately rose and stated that he abandoned this part of the prosecuting evidence, and expressed his regret that injudicious advice and ignorance of the parties had alone induced him to assume it. With this remark he sat down frowning upon the counsel for the private prosecutors, who had led him into such a disreputable line of evidence.

To express the bewilderment and emotion of poor Charley Baxter would be futile. He had reached Montreal only the night before, having travelled almost day and night from a remote district up the Ottawa river to clear Harry of this attack upon his character, having, like the last witness, learned it only by the public prints, which a friendly hand had forwarded to him. Before he recovered, the girl Lizzie was called upon by the escort of the junior counsel, and had driven away in a private conveyance which had been waiting for her.

The senior counsel for the defence resumed his address, and pointed out that the only evidence which could incriminate the accused, was the fourth and fifth sheets from the book, and to make this tell circumstantially against him, the date of abstraction must be closely proved.

"Now, your honor, and gentlemen of the jury, I am prepared to prove that these bills, 'holding up the forged drafts' never had place in that book; further, I will prove that the paper on which these forgeries are written was not in Montreal at the date on which the prosecution attempts to show by collateral evidence that they were issued. Further, I am in a position to prove, that at the time this mysterious individual Starling, stated that he held these documents which he represented to have purchased, from the accused, they actually had no existence. I shall be prepared with further evidence by the time I have convinced the prosecution of these facts, which will show my client to have been the victim of a vile and damnable conspiracy, and which will enable him to leave this court with his honor untarnished, and his reputation heightened. But, for the information of the jury, and that the honour may be bestowed where justly due, I will relate how we were providentially led up to this state of the case. My colleague in the defence, examined the document for the forgery of which the accused stands at the bar, with a powerful microscope, knowing that sometimes engravers is finishing or embellishing a plate introduced their monograms, name and even dates, and he found even more than he hoped. I will now for the defence proceed to call witnesses, and the engraver of this plate will be the first we shall examine."

On the name of Julius Wagner being called an intelligent looking German stepped into the box and was duly sworn.

"Where do you reside, Mr. Wagner?"

"In the city of New York."

"What is your occupation."

"I am an engraver."

"Have you executed any commissions for the house of Lambton & Co., Montreal?"

"I have engraved plates for them to produce the blank forms of their bills of exchange."

Here the counsel handed him the book, from which the prosecution maintained the forged bill had been abstracted.

"Examine this book and inform the court and the jury whether it was produced in your establishment, and if so under what circumstances and what date."

"I engraved the plate from which the sheets of this book were struck off, and they were bound in book form in our establishment, and delivered by us to the firm of Lambton & Co. as I find by reference to our books of account, upwards of a year ago."

The counsel then handed up another book so like the preceding, one that it appeared an exact duplicate.

"Please to examine this book and state as before for the information of the court, anything you may know respecting it."

"This book was likewise manufactured by us for Lambton & Co., and delivered by us to them on the twelfth day of August last."

"How are you prepared to make this statement, and what proof have you that you can connect?"

"I can swear to the production of the plates by evidences such as any man can point out in his own handiwork, and the dates of delivery by clear entries made in my books at that time, and by the acknowledgement of Lambton & Co. of receipt by them in due time after their despatch."

"How can you distinguish one book from the other?"

"The first book was sent on for approval, and the sheets for the second were not worked off until we received the orders of Messrs. Lambton & Co. for a further supply. The number of the first book was in a letter from them dated in July last, and as the examination was thus made fresh on the spot, the plate my monogram and a date before possible to print, and I find that the sheets of this second book have been worked off the finished plate containing these additions, whilst in those of the first they are wanting."

"You will then positively swear that this second book was not even printed before the eighth day of July last."

"I swear positively and solemnly that this," holding up the second book, "did not leave my possession until the twelfth day of August last, and that the plate was not even engraved in its completed state more than a week earlier."

"Now, Mr. Wagner, I have another question to put to you, and to which, feeling, I trust, the solemnity of the oath under which you are giving your testimony, you will give a reply only after due and careful consideration. Examine this document," here the counsel handed to him the forged bill of exchange.

"Was that form struck off a plate engraved by you?"

"It was."

"Is it possible that it could have been abstracted from the book first handed to you for inspection?"

"No."

"To which period does it belong, then?"

"This form is one of those bearing my initials and date, and could not have been in the possession of Lambton & Co. earlier than the twelfth day of August last."

"You swear to that?"

"I do."

The sensation created by this evidence was overwhelming, and for a time stunned the prosecution, and amidst the excitement, Pallissy, who had felt uneasy from the opening remarks of the defending counsel, made an unobtrusive exit from the court, and was seen no more.

The counsel for the crown cross-examined this witness, only confirming the truth of his evidence in the clearest manner, and on concluding took his seat, feeling that the merits of his case were fast disappearing.

Harry's counsel again rose and called for his second witness, John Smith, who, pale but collected, took his stand in the box, and was duly sworn.

The usual interrogatories were put as to name and residence, and immediately the counsel proceeded;

"Do you remember the eighth day of July last year?"

"I do."

"Were you in the counting house of Lambton & Co. on that day?"

"I was."

"State for the information of the jury and the court what reasons you have for remembering the date, and then state what occurred while you were in the office of Lambton & Co.

"On the first day of July I was discharged from the sick ward of the hospital, and on the same day in the following week, I called on Mr. Maudsley at his request, to receive a letter from a friend of his with whom he had interested himself to procure me a situation. Whilst waiting in the outer office to see him, I heard a voice which I thought I knew, expressing thanks for a letter which Mr. Maudsley had apparently been writing for the party speaking. I heard some parting words, and when I entered the inner room I found Mr. Maudsley alone. He informed me, thinking I might know his visitor, who came from the town in England where I had just dwelt, that the gentleman who had just left him was a Mr. Starling of Liverpool. Finding that I was destitute of clothing to fit me for a respectable station such as his kindness had placed me in, Mr. Maudsley furnished me with means to procure them and requested me to call again the next day to receive a letter he wished me to convey to my friends myself. I did so, and whilst engaged in conversation with Mr. Maudsley, I heard in the outer office the same voice which had struck me as familiar the preceding day. My benefactor left me, and I saw him take from the drawer a parcel evidently containing money, and place it with some other papers in the hands of the visitor, stating the parcel had been sent to him by Mr. Motley, the broker, for him. The visitor expressed his thanks for services rendered him and said he was about to leave for New York. Not knowing the gentleman by the name by which Mr. Maudsley addressed him, yet recognizing the voice, I moved to the open door to satisfy myself as to his identity."

Here the witness paused.

"Did you obtain a clear view of the visitor?"

"I did."

"By what name did Mr. Maudsley address him."

"As Mr. Starling."

"Did you recognise him and know him?"

"I recognized him and have known him for years.

"How was it then you did not remember him on hearing his voice the first day?"

"Because the name of Starling was assumed."

"Was his real name?"

"James Radston."

A thunderbolt falling in the court could hardly have produced a greater sensation than the name so simply uttered. It was utterly unexpected, and so completely destructive to the second great point of the prosecution that the counsel for the Crown was discomfited, and at once made up his mind to abandon the case, if the evidence of Mr. Smith proved trustworthy under cross examination.

Close searching sifting enquiries only proved more conclusively that Harry was innocent, and the accusation a deep conspiracy, and in speech equally honorable to head and heart; the counsel for the Crown abandoned the prosecution, concluding his address with a tribute to the virtues of the accused.

Completely overcome by the turn which events had taken, and full of heartfelt gratitude to the beneficent providence who had shaped circumstances so to his aid, Harry bent down his head on his arms and wept freely. The effect was a general contagion of tears and by a strange sympathy silence settled for a moment or two upon all, when it was broken by the hysterical cry of a juror, succeeded by a general and impulsive rote from the galleries. Order for a moment was impossible, and before it was restored Harry felt his hand grasped and a voice whispering in his ear and raising his head with a quick burst of astonishment, his eyes encountered the noble face of Guy Wilton, radiant with a triumph which assured him of further confirmation of his innocence.

The judge now addressed the jury, saying that in the whole course of his judicial life he had not seen so strong a circumstantial case break down so utterly, and it seemed to him mainly from causes arising out of the good qualities of the accused. He had cast his broad mantle upon the orphan in helping the afflicted, and richly had it been returned, for the apparent accidental presence of the witness Smith in the office of Lambton & Co., had completely demolished whatever point even private malignity might have committed to the detriment of the accused, though legally declared innocent. So too, with the evidence of the woman Jones, how completely had the seed of mischief which her evidence might have sown, been uprooted from the honor of the accused, vindicated by the voluntary appearance of one who was willing to sacrifice a regained position and a prospective income for his benefactor. To show his appreciation of the light in which he viewed the position of the accused, he would order his immediate discharge from the prisoner's box to the jury to sanction that course by an immediate and honorable acquittal.

Here the counsel for the defence asked that before his honor closed the case, he wished to have in open court, the testimony of another witness, who had just arrived from England, which he had gone on behalf of the accused to trace out the man Starling.

The Rev. Guy Wilton was here placed in the witness box, and in reply to brief interrogations, said:

"As perhaps the oldest and nearest friend of Mr. Maudsley, I undertook the mission to England, where, I felt satisfied, the key to the mystery of this plot would be found. I was successful beyond my most sanguine hopes. To secure a villain of the deepest dye the possession of a large property to which the accused is entitled, this plot was concocted in hopes that its success would blast his character so completely that return to his native place would be impossible, and detection of the fraud evaded. This man Radston was the active projector and instrument, and I hold in my hands his solemn acknowledgement on what proved his dying bed, that he assumed the name and character of Starling to carry out the scheme now happily exposed. Were it required I have overwhelming testimony to this effect, but I merely make this statement in case the innocence of my friend should be challenged outside this court, as so far as the law is concerned, he has already been fully cleared."

Further evidence being held unnecessary an immediate acquittal was given, and Harry was shown into the Judge's room to receive the congratulations of his friends and the Judge, and also of the counsel for the crown who warmly shook hands with him, expressing his extreme satisfaction at the result of the trial.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE HARVEST.

Foremost amongst the group of friends congregated in the judge's chamber, to welcome Harry in his discharge, were Mr. Ellis and Mr. Lambton. To explain the appearance of the latter we must return to London where we left Mr. Wilton, in the apartment occupied by Radston.

Eager to escape, Radston dashed down the corridor, and was turning to decend the staircase leading to the private door when he was intercepted by the second detective; rendered desperate by the frustration of his plans, just as he deemed escape certain, he made a frantic effort for his release, and missing his foothold was precipitated down the steps, fracturing his spine in the concussion of the fall. Helpless and groaning, he was carried into his room, and surgical aid at once procured, when the awful fiat of inevitable and speedy death was at once pronounced by the practitioner. For a time Radston lay stunned, his intellect apparently dormant, but when she fell consciousness of his position reached his soul, his case became pitiable. He was infuriated even then, and it was only as the dread moment of dissolution drew nigh, that he displayed any desire to be at peace with the world and his Maker. A clergyman who had been called in to minister to his spiritual wants, succeeded in softening his obdurate heart, and before he passed away he left behind him a confession, completely clearing Harry, and a statement exposing his frauds by which Sharkley had secured to himself the Maudsley estate. Even at this last hour he shielded Randolph Patton by confining his statement of his complicity in the conspiracy, to confession of general assistance rendered by him.

A coroner's inquest was deemed necessary, and amongst the witnesses summoned was the Rev. Guy Wilton, and a report of the case with his name in connection, appearing in the London papers, it fell under the notice of Mr. Lambton, in Paris, thither he had gone to rest, and that gentleman at once crossed the channel to greet his Canadian friend.

On arriving in London, Mr. Lambton received his home letters, and was at once dismayed and distressed by the intelligence they conveyed of the charge under which his favorite, Harry, was laboring. He found Mr. Wilton preparing for his return home, and concluded to make the voyage with him.

Lucy, on being acquainted with the news, was even more concerned than her guardian, and all endeavours to induce her to remain in England, and wait Mr. Lambton's return from Canada, were utterly futile. In fact, her distress and sympathy were so extremely poignant that they revealed to Mr. Lambton the existence of a feeling in her breast towards the accused more sacred than mere friendship. He therefore yielded to her wishes, and consented to her accompanying him.

During the voyage, Mr. Wilton acquainted his friends with his contemplated marriage with Mary Maudsley, much to the delight of Lucy, in whose eyes the merits of her friend still reigned supreme, and in a private conversation he did in his frank way, acquaint the brother of his intended wife to acquaint Mr. Lambton with the share that his nephew, Randolph Patton, had borne in the prosecution which Harry had undergone. Shocked, yet hardly surprised, Mr. Lambton indicated his intention to remove his nephew beyond the power of doing further mischief, by offering him the means of leaving Canada for a foreign country, with the alternative of legal punishment for conspiracy if he remained. On the other hand, he said he was at a loss how to compensate the sufferer, for as his confidence and esteem for him had never been shaken, he could not restore what had never been lost, but he added meaningly, perhaps, that Harry himself might suggest a means of so doing, when they reached Montreal. Ignorant of the providential turn which the case had assumed, the gentlemen on arriving in Montreal drove at once in their travelling garments to the court house, dispatching Lucy to Mr. Lambton's house under the charge of an old and trusted servant, who had accompanied them on their tour, with a promise to her to dispatch a messenger with news immediately they learned how matters stood. Of course with the evidence in Mr. Wilton's possession, an acquittal was certain, but they desired to see Harry cleared if possible without its aid, and in open court by undoubted and clear testimony. A messenger sent by Mr. Ellis met them the night before, at a place about thirty miles distant from Montreal, whither he had been sent, knowing the course they must take on the arrival of the steamer from Europe, and from him they learned the probable exculpation of Harry on the testimony of the engraver from New York; but at the time the messenger left Montreal, the intended appearance of Smith as a witness was not known. A letter from Mr. Wilton by the previous mail had prepared Mr. Ellis for some evidence on Harry's behalf, if not the personal appearance of the writer by the succeeding steamer, and he had sent on his messenger in anticipation to urge dispatch, and acquaint him with the way in which the case appeared.

Unknown to Harry, his newly-arrived friends had been for a time in court, listening to the unravelling of the plot which had nearly ensnared his brother on to give his evidence, or rather, make his statement, it was only to remove the possible shade of a doubt which may have lingered in any mind as Harry's vindication.

Congratulations over, the friends separated for a few hours, arranging to meet again at Mr. Lambton's house in the evening, when Harry should have to pay the intelligence to Mary, an office in which he had been anticipated by Ned Stacey, who at the best speed of a pair of horses, dashed round to the house of Harry's father, to relate the good news with the happy result, and so full was he of his mission, that he hardly gave himself time in calling at Mr. Lambton's house to express himself coherently to Lucy, mingling his congratulations to her with his triumph on the account of his friend, and then darted away leaving her tearful and excited, yet happy.

Evening was closing in and Lucy sat before the bright fire in her own pretty room. She sat on the rug, her slight figure almost buried in the drapery of her dress. One arm was thrown over a low ottoman, her hands were clasped and her chin resting on them, whilst her tender, loving eyes seemed tracing figures and dreams in the burning coals. She changed her attitude, sinking into a position of sweeter grace if possible, drawing her long abundant hair like a veil almost over her face with one hand, whilst her head still reposed on the other. A closing door seemed to rouse her, and she started to her feet; listening, she heard a step approaching the door, and the next moment Harry Maudsley stood before her.

Harry advanced a step, wondering at the silence with which he was received, and then his voice, tremulous with emotion, broke the spell.

"Lucy!"

He could say no more, for like a dove fluttering to its mate, Lucy ran towards him exclaiming—

"Dear, poor Harry."

Neither of them could ever explain how it was that they stood locked in each others arms when some little time after Mr. Lambton entered the room.

On leaving the court house Mr. Lambton insisted on Harry accompanying him to his residence to greet his ward, fully understanding why the young man displayed such emotion whilst praying to be excused.

To say that Mr. Lambton was gratified at the indication but slightly expresses his feelings, he had read the bent of Lucy's inclinations, but until now he was in ignorance how far Harry responded to them. He felt that the dearest wishes of his heart would be gratified could those two be drawn together by mutual inclination and affection, and he determined there should be no obstacle in the way which it might be in his power to remove.

Silencing all Harry's objections he placed him beside him in the sleigh, and conversed as indifferently as he could on the events which had just transpired until they had left behind them the crowded throughfares and were approaching his house. He then said—

"Do not think, my dear boy, that I am wilfully exposing you to any pain in carrying you away from the trying scene we have just left, to greet an indifferent or changed person. My dear girl Lucy would never forgive me were I to let you receive your welcome from her, after what has occurred amongst a crowd of people."

"But sir," said Harry, "I have reason."

"And supposing I can understand those reasons. What then? I have been young myself, and had I a son, Harry, I would not wish him a better man than you are are, and what my own son might claim from my hand I would not deny you."

Here they drove up to the house, and without affording his young companion time for reply, Mr. Lambton entered the hall, and at once requested Miss Grey's maid to conduct Mr. Maudsley to her mistress. Harry followed the attendant when they reached the door of the apartment, and standing for a moment to control the beating heart, entered as we have related.

When Mr. Lambton joined the young people he knew at a glance how matters stood, and as Lucy flew into his arms he kissed her fondly, then, taking her hand, led her up to Harry.

"Harry, this is the gift, I wish I had a son to claim, I give her to you where she has already bestowed her heart, and may God bless you both and spare me to witness your happiness." Then he placed her hand in Harry's, whilst he turned aside to hide his own emotion.

A happy party met at Lambton's house that evening, Mr. Ellis who had received a hint from Mr. Lambton whilst at the court-house, had made up his mind as to the results certain to ensue from Harry's return, and paying a visit to a jeweller bought for Lucy a costly ring which he insisted on Harry receiving from his hands, and forthwith placing on the delicate finger for which it was intended. Ned Sincee and Belle Stewart with the Revd. Guy Wilton and Mary completed the party and when they separated it was with a feeling of joy and gratitude on all sides that a result so happy had been achieved.

Meanwhile how fared the arch conspirator, Randolph Patton, whose scheme had been so utterly defeated. The defection of his virtual accomplice, Patton, alarmed him exceedingly, but the testimony of Smith being given, he could not control his fears of personal implication and made a precipitate retreat from the neighborhood of the court-house, taking refuge in the office of the lawyer whom the prosecutors had employed, and thence dispatching a letter to that worthy, advising him to withdraw from the case at the earliest possible moment. When that functionary returned from the court disgusted with the failure of his case, he related to his client the statement made by Mr. Wilton of the death of Radston, adding to it the astounding news of the presence of Mr. Lambton in the court. This last was a blow for which Randolph was utterly unprepared, and losing all nerve in contemplating his position, he reached his lodgings prostrated and wretched. There he found a communication from Mr. Lambton waiting him, wherein the writer expressing his suspicions of actual complicity in the conspiracy just exposed, upbraided him for his ingratitude and villainy, and challenged him to vindicate himself at once or leave the country. In the latter case means would be provided, if wanted, to enable him to reach a foreign country, and if his future conduct warranted it, further assistance might be granted to re-establish him in life.

Randolph was not poor, and gathering his valuables, he left Montreal the following morning, replying to his uncle by denial of the accusations brought against him, and declining pecuniary help at his hands, in doing this he left the door open, as he thought, for a successful application for substantial aid should he require it, when the remembrance of the present period had become blunted by the lapse of time.

Charley Baxter sought in vain for traces of the girl Lizzie, and in his disappointment called upon Mr. Wilton, and to that gentleman's surprise, expressed his intention could he find her to offer her his hand in marriage. He said that could he succeed he would ask his uncle's assistance to enable him to emigrate to Australia or New Zealand, there to spend the remainder of his days with her.

Mr. Wilton informed him that he was acquainted with her present place of residence, and had possessed himself of a thorough knowledge of her history previous to, and subsequent to her entrance to Mr. Lambton's. He therefore undertook to be the means of transmitting a letter to her did he desire to write, but recommended him to defer his services a step even into consideration, until at least, a year had closed, when, if he continued in the same mind, he would undertake to be the medium of conveyance to Mr. Lambton, Mistress, and of urging consent to his wishes.

To these terms Charley agreed with a determination in his own heart to pass the period of his probation in qualifying himself for a battle with the world, in another colony of the mother country.

(To be continued.)

The Newspaper.

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