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GREAT CLEARING SALE OF DRY GOODS, MILLINERY AND MANTLES!

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Will commence his Great Annual Clearing Sale on Saturday next, the 28th day of December.

DURING THE THIRTY DAYS SOME OF THE GREATEST BARGAINS WILL BE GIVEN EVER HEARD OF IN GUELPH.

Over 2,000 yards of Dress Goods worth 25 cents reduced to 12 1/2 cents; over 3,000 yards of Dress Goods worth 50 cents reduced to 25 cents; over 1,500 yards of Dress Goods worth 75 cents reduced to 37 1/2 cents.

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As the whole Stock must be sold off by the 1st of March, everything will be reduced to cost and under to effect a speedy clearance. Unprecedented Bargains may be expected during the great sale.

Guelph, 26th December, 1872.

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GEORGE JEFFREY.

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FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 24, 1873

ANNABEL; OR THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER I.

AN ADVENTURE IN WOODMAN'S LANE. "Based, you are committing a robbery," shouted the youth, as boldly he advanced to seize the garrotter.

Stunned and rendered powerless by the blow he had received, overcome also by surprise and dismay at the unexpected interruption, the fellow uttered one fierce oath, and bounded away at his utmost speed up the lane.

The youth made a start forward to follow him, when a nervous grasp was laid upon his arm, and a sweet but agitated voice exclaimed—

"Oh, Philip, do not go! For heaven's sake do not follow him!"

"But, Annabel, see what he has done. He must be caught and punished."

"No, no," she wildly pleaded. "If you leave me here I shall be overwhelmed with terror. Besides, this gentleman needs your aid. See where he lies and never moves. Do not—oh, do not go! 'Tis useless now, for the wretch has got beyond reach. Let us therefore attend to his helpless victim."

He stooped down and gazed on the white face and grey hairs, which the flickering lamp light dimly revealed.

"Why, Annabel, he is a gentleman," he exclaimed, "and he seems badly injured, for his eyes are closed and his lips are streaked with blood."

"Oh, Philip, he is not—not—dead?" gasped the fair girl, in a tone of horror.

Her companion returned no answer, but a heavy nameless fear came on his heart as he lifted the old man's head from the ground and supported it on his knee, while he loosed his neckcloth to give him breath and air. Annabel also knelt down, and with her handkerchief tenderly wiped his brow and his lips, while tears of compassion ran down her cheeks.

Suddenly, the object of their solicitude uttered a groan, and his hands twitched convulsively. The elevation of his head and the uncovering of his breast had brought back animation, and he opened his eyes and gazed in some stupor, first at the youth and then at the maiden, on whose face, as it bent over him with such tender anxiety, his eyes steadfastly rested.

He tried to speak, but a spasmodic gasping intervened, caused no doubt by the reaction from strangulation; and the blood surging again through its channel, which had been so suddenly stopped, made his face of so deep a purple that they feared he was dying.

"Philip," said the girl wildly, "what is to be done?"

"He must have assistance at once," replied the youth; "but how are we to procure it? He is unfit to walk, I am unable to carry him, and you cannot stay here with him alone while I go for help. Oh, if some one would but come this way."

His wish was hardly uttered ere it was granted, for a quick step was heard approaching, accompanied by the whistling of a lively tune, and presently the appearance round the corner of the lane of a stout-made, smart-looking young fellow, with a round, good-humored, cheerful face, and bright, merry eyes, glowing with a kindly light. The sight he saw made him stop his whistling, and pull up on the instant.

"Why, wot's the matter here?" he asked. "Has the ole gen'l'm taken a fit?"

"Worse than that, my man," replied the youth. "He has been garrotted."

"Wot!—robbed?"

"No, not robbed. The scoundrel had not time for that. He was in the act of doing it when we came upon him. I laid on him with my stick, and he fled. Did you not meet the fellow running up the lane?"

"Wot!" cried the new-comer, with sudden animation. "Long coat, fur cap, and hang-dog physiognomy, and nursing his shoulder as if it was a tender plant which needed support?"

"The very same."

"Then I'm blest if I did not think he was a bad un'. Why, sir, I could have collared him had I knowed wot he had been up to. Shall I try him yet, sir?"

"No, no; pursuit would be vain," hastily cried Philip. "Let us rather attend to the gentleman."

"All right, sir. I am at your service, sir. Wot would you be inclined to do first, sir?"

"Why, he must be removed to some house, and a doctor brought."

"Very good, sir. I don't see as how a better plan can be proposed. You don't happen to know who the gen'l'm is, do you, sir?"

"No, he is an utter stranger to me."

"Praps the young lady can oblige us with the name and residence, sir."

"Oh, dear no. The lady is my occupation—the gentleman is quite alone."

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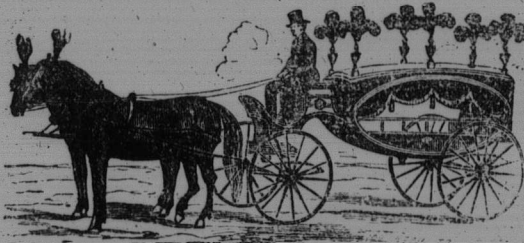
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