LOVE AND HONOUR.

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CHAPTER XXII.

THE SECRET FLOTTERS—HELER'S MUSINGS
—SHE IS DRAWN INTO THE SOLITUDE.

"Lose her?" hissed Dubosque. "I have sworn she shall be mine, and I am ready to dare everything to obtain her."

"You are."

"I am. Can you doubt it? Have I not wrought my way so far? Have I not put a barrier between her and that pork eater?"

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"Ha,ha!" laughed Jaquin so you have, with my help. But for me you couldn't have done it; and without me you cannot go farther. Come, let us make a compact to secure this object. It is worth the trouble; it will make you independent. Bridgenorth will be furious for a time; but after his daughter is your wife he can make nothing of it for holding out, and for her sake he will come round. Then who knows but I can make other revelations? Oh, they don't know, and you don't know, what I have been keeping concealed here all these years. Ha, ha! if I told it now, what do you think would happen?"

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"How can I know? After what I have seen of your power, I am not inclined to limit it."

"Your are right, M. Dubosque; for I have the power to undo what I have done. I have separated the girl from her lover; I could remove the barrier which I raised."

"You could! How?"

"I shall not say how; you may know some day. Oh, it will be rare enjoyment to see the effect of my communication—rare enjoyment—very rare enjoyment."

And the misshapen creature rubbed his long, claw-like hands together, and grinned and chuckled with malignant satisfaction.

"Then," continued Dubosque, "you mean to say that you can remove the scruple which prevents Helen from marrying Rheinbach?"

"Yes; I could—I could; but I won't. I'll have my revenge on them. Once she is your wife I may do it, for then I will torture them the more; but not unless—no, no—not unless."

And again the hands were rubbed with fiendish glee, accompanied by the grin and the chuckle which were so repulsive to behold, and made the man to be less a human being than a devil incarnate.

"My wife, mon Dieu!—Mam'selle Moir my wife!" exclaimed Dubosque, with sudden vehemence. "I will dare anything for that. She has scorned and rejected me, and I yet I love her a thousand times more ardently than that 'cold-hearted German. I would have her mine at any price, and then I would teach her, if not to love, then to fear me."

"Good. You won't go back in that? Your resolution won't go back in that? Your resolution won't go back in that? Your resolution won't fail?" said Jaquin, gazing at him with eyes that gleamed like burning coals.

"By all the fiends, it shall not, 'thundered Dubosque, with a roar which sent its echo from the other side of the loch." My resolve is as settled as yours can be of orward together."

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"Then our compact is made, and we go forward together."

"Hand-in-hand," responded the Frenchman, offering his palm to the bther's grasp, when immediately the hunchback's long fingers encircled Dubosque's hand with a fierce convulsive pressure.

"Our motto is-Prepare, Wait, Watch, Act," he hissed. I have ample funds for all we need, and when everything is ready we shall secure the girl and carry her off. It will need wary working, but we can afford to dispense with rashness."

It was quite dark when the two secundrels concluded the compact to carry out this outrageous project, and after setting on there general plan of action and several matters of detail, they glided forth like two evil spirits from under the bushes, and parted on the high road—Dubosque taking the way to Dunoon, and the hunchback returning over the hight to the inn at Ardenndam, where, though now alone, he still had his quarters.

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Awaked by the gladsome songs of the birds among the trees in the slope at the rear of the villa, Helen Moir, at an early hour on the following morning, came out of as sound and refreshing a sleep as had ever scaled her eyelids even in the free and innocent days of childhood. After the extraordinary discoveries and agitating experiences of yesterday, it was surprising to herself that she could sleep at all, or that her sleep should not have been broken by dreams which would have repeated with fantastic exaggerations the events of the preceding day. Yet her rest had been unbroken, her slumbers profound and undisturbed; until the featherly songsters broke sweetly in upon it with their happy morning hymn.

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But the truth was, the excessive and intense mental experience of the last week had fallen so heavily upon her entire organisation, and the occurrences of the previous day had placed so thoroughly the coperstone on the pile of agitating emotions, that the issue must have been utter prostration or raving madness.—Had Helen's nature been irritable and passionate, had she been wilful, wayward and 'file-regulated, a brain fever would probably have come upon her; but she was naturally calm, and had her spirit under the influence of self-control, so that the extraordinary and conflicting excitement had a wearying effect, and sent her into the blissful reigon of dreamless and restoring slumber, out of which she issued, revived, strengthened, and mentally at rest.

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