

The Foster Brother;

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XIV.

A HAPPY MOMENT—A VISIT TO THE SCENES OF SEPARATION.

One day when the wedded pair had gone away by themselves over the heights George sauntered down to the harbour to inspect the few boats lying there, and learn what prospect there was of one being taken to take them to the Ayrshire side. Two had just come in from the herring fishing, the occupants of which were busy disposing of the few fish which they had caught. Besides these an old weather-beaten boat was drawn up on the beach, and beside it, at an old man in a fisherman's garb, though from his appearance his active life seemed to be over. Long grey locks fell beneath the broad brim of his "sou-wester," and his pleasant, cheerful face was wrinkled and furrowed by storms of many a season.

This man George approached and accosted.

"Very warm weather, my friend?" he observed, as he seated himself beside him.

"Extraordinary warm, sir," responded the man, in a frank, respectful manner.

"Many herrings this morning?"

"No, sir; I believe they have gotten very few—no above a hundred or two."

"You haven't been out yourself, then, this last night?"

"Why, me, sir? Ah, no! My fishin' days are past."

"Why," said George, "you are not so old."

"Well, I'm no maybe very and—tho' sixty-five canna be ca'd young, sir—but, ye see, I'm sair fashed wi' pains, and my joints are cove stit for gann out at nights. But I dinna complain, sir—I dinna complain. I had a lang spell o' health and strength, and I ha'e gaen through a hantle work in my day. Sae has this auld cobbler, sir, and no bairn her and me are gey sair through wi' it."

"Was this the boat you sailed in?" asked the youth, laying his hand on the side of the black, weather-beaten, old-fashioned craft which he called a cobbler.

"Deed was it, sir; and many a storm has she carried me through. Mair a hantle than these slim things down in the harbour will ever weather."

"They are much smaller, I think," observed George, "and sharper in the bows."

"Oh, aye; they are, like many a thing else in this world, new-fangled, and what they ca' smart. In a calm sea they'll dae weel enough, and wad maybe race my auld cobbler afore the wind, but what are they in a storm?—naething but a cockle-shell, that a heavy sea wad crack tae pieces. Gang and grip their timmers, sir, and then come back and see the odds atween them and this."

"I do not require to do that, my friend. I can easily see that your boat is of much stronger make—strong enough, I should think, to go into the open sea."

"Just so, sir. And it was the mooth o' the firth that she did gang tae for the maist part. Mony a time ootayont Ailsa Craig—just about as stormy a bit as a' the coast. What wad this bit o' jinker-thing dae oot there, think ye, sir, wi' a heavy sea comin' in frae the Atlantic?"

"They could not stand it, I should think; though for the river and the lochs they must be more handier and more suitable than a boat of this heavy build."

"Well, I winna say but that's true, though my cobbler and me kens Loch Fyne and Loch Long, and Loch Goll as weel as we dae this bay here."

"You have been here all your life, have ye?"

"No at Millport," was the reply. "I ha'e been here just five years past at Whitsunday; but for mair than forty year I lived on the ither side, ayont Port Crawford there."

"Ah!" exclaimed George, with sudden interest, "then you will know that part of the coast well?"

"Every rock in it, sir."

"And among the rest, one called 'The Wreckers'?" added George, with a fluttering heart.

"E'en sae, e'en sae, sir," added the old man. "I ha'e had ower guid cause tae ken the 'Wreckers,' for I ha'e seen them prove the justice o' their name mair than ance."

"Were you," asked George, hardly able to suppress his excitement—"were you living there twenty years ago when a West Indian vessel called the *Eglantine* was lost on these rocks?"

"I was, sir; I was. That was a sair job, sir—the maist pitiable sight e'er I saw."

"I ha'e heard there was a man—and a child saved. Do you know anything of that?"

"Dae I ken about it, sir?" repeated the old man, in a peculiar tone. "And wha wad ken better? It was me and four mair that gaed oot in this same cobbler in the mornin' and brocht them ashore."

"Good heavens!" exclaimed George, springing to his feet, and grasping the other by the arm "are you Dan Kirby?"

"That's just my name, sir. But hoo sud ye ken it?"

"Merciful Providence! and you are Dan Kirby," ejaculated George, in a tone which caused the old man to gaze at him in amazement.

"In a' the world, what's the matter wi' ye, sir?" he asked.

"This was the boat," went on George, his emotion increasing every moment—"this was the very boat that went to the rocks that morning?"

"The very boat, sir. And nae anither wad I ha'e ventured in."

George laid his hands on the rough, black sides of the cobbler, and gazed into it in silent uncontrollable emotion—the fisherman eyeing him the while with wondering curiosity.

What thrilling sensations did the youth experience at that moment. He seemed to be brought to a realisation of the scene on which of late he had been brooding, and so vividly did it rise to his imagination that he pictured the dead body of his mother lying in the bottom, the maniac asleep in the stern, and himself crying on the dead bosom of her who, alas, could no longer respond to his wail. It was almost overwhelming to his spirit to gaze thus at the spot—the very spot where the scene had been enacted.

"Ye seem much interested in that shipwreck," remarked Dan Kirby, after nearly a minute of utter silence.

"And well I may, my friend," answered George, turning towards him a countenance in which emotion strongly worked.

"I see the child you saved."

The leap which Dan gave at these words was such as ought to have given the rheumatic limbs an agonising shock, but bodily infirmity was wholly lost sight of in the intensity of his amazement.

"Eh?" he gasped, "you sir—was the bairn—you? It's no possible!"

"It is perfectly true, Dan—perfectly

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