

The Foster Brother;

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XVII. GEORGE'S INTRODUCTION TO ARDGOVAN—HE OVERTHEARS AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION, AND FORMS A DELIGHTFUL ACQUAINTANCE.

There was much to puzzle and bewilder him, but one thing he had clearly made out—which was that Captain Gibson and Nathan Garrett dreaded the return of reason to Walley. Their words left no doubt as to this. Now, here at the very outset, he and they were antagonistic to the return of reason to the maniac was to him a matter of the very utmost importance—his dearest hopes in life depended on it. Why, then, should they dread what he so vehemently desired?

What could it possibly be? What connection could Stephen Gibson and Nathan Garrett have with Walley? And how could a rational utterance of his injure them!

Here, of course, George's power of conjecture was at fault. He could form no idea of the nature of their alarm, but inasmuch as he had such a paramount interest in the occurrence which they apprehended, he naturally concluded that he himself was concerned in the matter.

Here, then, was food for concentrated thought, wonder, and inquiry, and he began to seek for light through the little knowledge he possessed.

That knowledge he mentally enumerated in something like the following items:—Stephen Gibson had succeeded to the property of George Morrar.

George Morrar was drowned by the wreck of the Eglantine.

George Morrar had been a planter in Jamaica.

Nathan Garrett had been George Morrar's overseer in the Jamaica plantation.

Nathan Garrett had come to Scotland with George Morrar's widow and child.

These facts George had learned from Harry Markham. Then the story told him by the sailor in the coach added the fact that a year or two subsequently, Nathan Garrett had secretly and nefariously despatched a negro girl to the plantations.

And what light came to George's mind through these facts? Very little certainly, and that little was confused and bewildering, but it was also stimulating. He saw enough to cause him to resolve to seek for more, and he said to himself that he should remain at Ardgowan if for no other object than to watch the Captain and Nathan Garrett, and lie in wait for any information which their words and actions might convey.

The conversation which he had already listened to, and which he was now pondering in the light of the facts he knew, gave him abundant justification for thus acting in some degree the part of spy. The vital interests he had at stake warranted the use of all lawful means to pierce the mystery which shrouded these men, and their concern in the state of Walley. It was pretty evident to him that Garrett knew who Walley was, and if he knew that, in all probability he knew likewise whose child Walley had in his care when he was found on the rock.

There was another allusion in the conversation which George overheard, which had a significant meaning. Garrett had spoken of "another quarter" which "seemed safe." What did this mean? George could not help thinking that it had reference to Kenneth Bruce, and his unaccountable disappearance from sight. Then, last of all, George had not failed to note the terror into which Garrett was thrown when his eye fell on the youth seated at the window. Why should the sight have moved him so much? It was not mere startled surprise at seeing some one there; it was more than that, though what the cause of such consternation might be, George could not at present understand.

At the end of an hour or so he thought he would pass downstairs to the library, which Mrs. Gibson had told him was the apartment where the boys were to be taught. The servant had already shown him the door of this room, and he had a desire to see its interior, and note what arrangements might be necessary to render it suitable for the schoolroom.

He easily made his way to the place he sought, and entering, found himself in a large oblong chamber, one side of which was occupied with a row of deeply-sunk windows, the wall opposite being lined with well-filled book shelves, and the centre occupied by a large table.

He was proceeding up the room, scanning the titles of the books as he passed when he was nearly startled into the utterance of an exclamation at the sight of a young girl who emerged towards him. A vision of fairer loveliness George had never beheld, and he gazed in a kind of rapture, his heart beating with strange thrill, and his eyes riveted on that sweet and charming face.

She was a girl of nineteen or twenty, of middle height, somewhat slender, but exquisitely formed, her movements full of charming grace, and her face expressive of frank kindness and sparkling animation.

"Mr. George Eglantine, I presume," she said, and her voice had a silvery richness of tone which sounded musical in George's ears.

"Yes, ma'am at your service," faltered George, in not a little confusion.

With winning grace and charming frankness she gave him her hand, which when he had taken pressed his with warm cordiality, her lovely countenance being the while lighted up with evident pleasure. "I knew you were coming to-day," she added.

"Indeed," stammered George, confused and dazzled by the frank cordiality and the singular charms of this creature, whose features and expression had a power of association upon him for which he could not account—the eyes which gazed at him did not seem to be the eyes of a stranger, the face which met his with such obvious pleasure had features which did not appear unfamiliar, yet he was conscious that he had not met the young lady before.

He began to feel foolish, and made a resolute effort to rally, a task which was rendered all the more easy by the ease and artlessness of the charming creature before him. There was a genuine simplicity and unfeigned sincerity in the air and tone with which she addressed him which soon made him more at ease, and a sensation of deepest pleasure came into his heart on finding so unexpectedly and in so captivating a form, a welcome to Ardgowan.

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