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Guelph Evening Mercury
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THURSDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 21.

NORAH CUSHALEEN OR THE HAUNTED CASTLE.

Hargrave and his two male companions started, for they recognized the dress worn by Captain Jack's gang, but Terry, after peering at the fellow for a few seconds, declared in a whisper that it was Mike O'Rafferty.

"Ay, that blackguard is here for nae good purpose," muttered Andrew.

But presently their attention was taken from him by the entrance of the priest, followed almost immediately by Mary Kendal leaning on her father's arm, and behind them Malvin Blantyre and Jacob O'Shady. On Malvin's face there was an ill-concealed smile of triumph, and the factor's countenance bore an expression of deep satisfaction.

Mr. Kendal and Mary paused in the broad passage near to where Mike stood, whose strange, uncouth figure made Mary start violently.

"This is Captain Jack's messenger," said his father; he waits for Hargrave's ransom."

Mary gasped for breath, and turned away her head, and as she did so the light from the altar fell upon her face—pale and bloodless even as marble, and ghastly in its expression of hopeless helplessness, in her eyes there was a dull glassy glare, as if a film had settled over them shutting up for her the beaming forth of light and love. As she stood, motionless as a statue, her father took her arm to lead her forward to the altar.

"The ransom first," said she in a hollow, unearthly tone.

"Be it so," said the Squire, taking a bag of gold from his bosom; "but, remember, the man does not quit the chapel with it till you are made a wife."

A strange shudder passed over Mary's frame, which Malvin observed, and marked by a cold, icy smile.

The Squire handed the bag to Mike, who took it and made it clink in true robber fashion.

"Sure now, Squire, he said, 'I hope it's not chafing us ye are. Ye wouldn't bring a poor boy into trouble by having less than two hundred gould sovereigns in the bag?'"

"I give you my word that you will find it all right," said the Squire, "and a Kendal was never yet known to say or do what was dishonourable."

"Maybe's that true, yer honour," returned Mike, "but Captain Jack doesn't stand upon character. He counts the money, and I'll just be after doing that same while the priest is going through the ceremony."

"As you please," said the Squire coldly.

"Come, Mary, his reverence waits."

"Father," said Mary, with startling emphasis, as if a sudden thaw had come over her frozen nature. "You said but now that a Kendal was never known to do that which is dishonourable. Oh, will you be the first to brand that name with infamy? Are you not dishonouring yourself and me by forcing me into a marriage which I hate and abhor—by sacrificing me before yonder altar?"

"What does this mean?" asked the priest. "Am I to understand that Miss Kendal does not come to-night of her own free will and consent?"

"Certainly she does," answered the Squire; "but if she has changed her mind, there is yet time, and we can return as we came. Here, fellow, give me back that bag of gold."

"Och, murther," said Mike, "thin they'll tear the young gentleman to pieces, bid by bit."

"Father be merciful, be generous," cried Mary. "Save me—save Hargrave."

"What!" exclaimed the Squire. "Pay two hundred pounds for a sneaking fellow I never saw? Girl are you mad?—Harkee," he added, holding his face close to hers, "this is neither time nor place for irresolution. Leave this chapel unwedded, and Hargrave dies to-morrow. Go forward to the altar and become the wife of Malvin, and to-morrow he is free. But take your choice, and say not that I forced you. Come, shall we return?"

"No," she murmured, in a tone of agony.

"Oh, Hargrave, I sacrifice myself for thee," she cried, clasping her hands in wild despair. "But you will tell him," she added, turning to Mike, "tell him I was not false to him, but went to the altar with a man I hate and loathe, to save him from death."

"Mr. Kendal, I think it is time this scene was put an end to," interrupted Malvin. "His reverence can't wait here all night."

"You hear, Mary?" said her father.

"I hear—and obey," she answered, turning slowly round and advancing alone to the altar.

The others followed, and took their proper places, and the priest was about to begin the ceremony, when some noise at the far end of the chapel made them turn in that direction, and saw the figures of three men emerging from the gloom.

"Ha! what means this intrusion?" said Malvin. "I gave orders that no one was to be admitted."

"And least of all me," said Hargrave, he stepped within the altar.

A sudden start round and a piercing shriek was the effect on Mary; then with a cry of wild, rapturous joy, she flew into Hargrave's outstretched arms.

"Fearful, darling," he whispered soothingly in her ear, "I have come to save you. The squiro was thunderstruck; then, after a few moments of speechless consternation, he exclaimed in angry astonishment—"

"Audacious scoundrel, who are you? or how dare you take such a liberty with my daughter?"

"It is the beggerly painter himself," said O'Brady.

"By heaven, I thought so!" cried Malvin, leaping forward. "Unhand that lady, you blackguard," he roared, and lifted his hand to strike; but Hargrave, with his unoccupied right hand seized the up-lifted arm with the grasp of a vice, and sent him whirling against the altar rail.

"Infamous!" shouted the enraged Malvin, and was in the act of springing forward again, when Andrew thrust himself sturdily before him.

"Just keep your hands to yourself," he said, "for, by my faith, if ye lay a little finger on Maister Hargrave I'll choke ye, as sure as my name is Andrew Donaldson."

"And I'll do it after ye, as sure as my name is Terry Oshaleen," said the excited Irishman, looking fiercely over Andrew's shoulder.

"Oh, thank heaven, you have come!" murmured Mary, nestling closely in Har-

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