

The Rival Clansmen :

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER VI.

THE PLOTTERS AND THEIR VICTIMS—IAN STURVED BY FLORA—CAMERON JUBILANT—SURPRISED!

When Donald Cameron left Ian at the door of Flora's cell, he paced forward along the passage until he arrived at the far end, when he applied a key to the lock of a door just facing him.

In a second he had opened the door, entered, and shut it behind him.

The noise he made had aroused the inmate of the cell—whom the reader is already aware is none other than Hector McLeod—who had been lying asleep, and who sprang to his feet at the moment Cameron turned from securing the door on the inside, and faced him.

"I hope you have had pleasant dreams, sir," said Ian, with a short laugh, as he observed that McLeod had been sleeping.

"No," was Hector's reply. "The figure of Donald Cameron was too prominent in them to admit of pleasure."

"Ah!" rejoined Cameron, with a sneer, "do you feel equal difficulty in overcoming and hoodwinking me in your dreams as in your waking moments?"

"Donald Cameron can appear before me, whether I am asleep or awake, only as a base, mean, contemptible villain, the contemplation of whose character can only inflict pain," retorted Hector, proudly, and with warmth.

This home-thrust stabbed Cameron to the heart, and he ground his teeth, while his eyes blazed with rage, as he heard the youth utter the bold words; but it would ill serve his purpose to show his passion at the moment, and so, stifling it with difficulty, he said—

"There is enough of this parley. I wish to ask you whether you know in whose power you are?"

"I believe that I am in the power of him who asks the question," was the reply.

"And do you know the full extent of the meaning of these words?"

"I believe it will be to make me suffer every sort of persecution your villainous heart can conceive of."

"And perhaps your compliment is even short of the truth," hissed Cameron, with a diabolical expression of countenance.

"Will it ease your mind to be told that you are a prisoner in the hands of the Catherans of Ben-a-Chru?"

Hector's face blanched, and his breath came faster as he heard these words. What a host of associations did they call up—the recollection of black and cold-blooded deeds done by this band, than whom none had a more infamous notoriety; sheep and cattle carried off, and the shepherds and drovers in numberless cases left dead upon the roads and upon the hillsides; travellers met and plundered, some of them carried off, and exorbitant ransoms levied from their relatives, whose utmost vigilance and ingenuity had hitherto failed to obtain a trace of the caterans. They were the scourge of Ross-shire and Sutherlandshire, and they had even left their mark in Nairn and Inverness, and as far south as Argyle. At times bodies of clansmen had been attacked by them; but they generally abstained from this, unless there existed some special grudge, although in these rencontres they were always successful.

As the recollection of these depredations occurred to Hector, as we have already said, his face blanched and his breath came fast, for he at the same time realised a new discovery—two, indeed. The first was that Donald Cameron was connected with, if he was not a leader of, the band; and that he (Hector) was now aware of their headquarters. And this suggested the same idea which Cameron had already communicated to the caterans—that he could not know this and expect to live.

These thoughts rushed rapidly through his mind, and he manifested but a little sign of the uneasiness which took possession of him as these disclosures were forced in upon his mind; but he could not command himself sufficiently to escape betraying his agitation to Cameron, who stood keenly regarding him.

Erromosa Township Council.

This Council met at the Centre Inn on the 3rd inst. Members all present, the leaves in chair. After the minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed, the Council proceeded to business. Messrs. D. Rea and Dunbar were appointed a Committee to settle with Messrs. J. Hamill and G. Duffield about some land required to improve the road at the centre of the 4th Concession, between Lots 25 and 26. An account of \$7.38 from J. Horsman, and another of \$6 from J. H. Hacking were ordered to be paid. The timber on the side road between west halves of Lots 15 and 16, in the 5th Concession, was ordered to be sold to J. B. Allan. \$8 were granted to Mrs. Waller, \$6 to Mrs. Lees, \$8 to Rosa El and \$5 to Thomas Holton, indigent persons. Permission was granted John Nickle to cut a ditch at the side road between the east halves of Lots 20 and 21, in the 4th Concession, on condition that he put the material removed from the ditch on the middle of the road and level and finish the whole in a workmanlike manner, for the due performance of which he was to have his statute labor of next year remitted. \$26 was ordered to be paid to Mrs. Penny for keeping Margaret Thomson, in terms of an arrangement made with Erin Council. The Clerk was directed to get 250 copies of the minutes, by-laws, etc., printed and ready for distribution at or before the day of the next nomination.

A by-law was introduced and passed after the usual number of readings to repeal By-law No. 2 of 1869 for regulating the Taverns and Shops in the Municipality wherein spirituous and fermented liquors were sold, and enacting a new and more a stringent By-law for the same purpose. The matter respecting the opening of the side road between Lots 30 and 31 in the 1st Concession was referred to the Council for 1874. The Council on motion adjourned to meet at the Centre Inn on Monday the 1st of December next.

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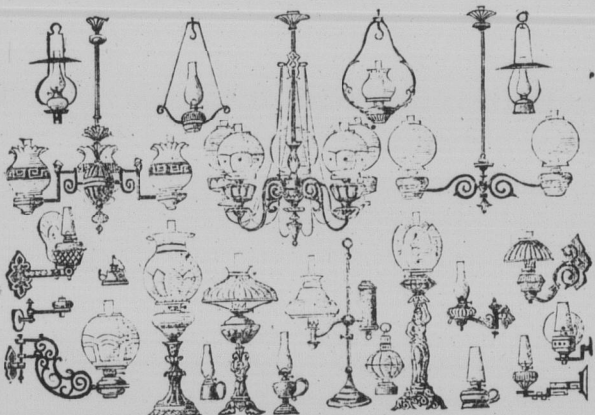
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