# FIRE AND SWORD :

tish Highlands.

Beneath where he now stood, the slop-

ing valley was a tumbling sea of water,

overflow of a mountain tarn or hill-loch

force the sloping strath below.

on !

threatening fury.

en turned her gaze on him.

Coming directly opposite the Crom-

top of it was in reality a human being.

Shading his eyes with both hands from

the blinding mist of rain which was driv-

ing against his face he was further startl-

ment of supreme agony to poor Malcolm.

alarmed to find that the object on the all the risk.

ed to find that the crouching figure was mutually enshrined.

into, and almost immediately overflowed breast.

The flood, it may here be premised, ble and was like to be carried away. He

was strictly local, and was the sudden was now, however, within hail of her.

numerous confluent runnels, had poured out her warm love and thanks on his

main cause of the dangerous overflow with the water leaping up almost to his

ech stone he was both surprised and holy ecstacy of the moment was worth

was none other than - Helen Camer- the circumstances of her isolation on the

Her face was turned from him, but the "Well," in pursuit of the unknown

her familiar and worshipped form he spy, who seemed to have been watching

well knew. She was kneeling on the their movements, she had wandered

stone as if in prayer, and the water was about the hill side for a space impatient

dashing up and rushing past her with of his prolonged absence, and in the

It was a maddening discovery ; a mo- from the pursuit. A fear of her lover's

His breath went from him for a moment. might turn out to be-and a natural

But, recovering his presence of mind in- fear of the impending thunder-storm

stantly, he resolved, with the courage of which had suddenly obscured the grey of

might so reach and succour the object had not proceeded far, however, when

sides, but Helen's joy at the sight of her with a pour of water, and every thin tor-

He had braved all risks to reach and suc-

self into his saving arms, and so weep

Another last grapple forward, and,

recover his spent breath a moment, with an

agile movement of the limbs he was pre-

sently safely on the top of the Crom-

God ! how his heart throbbed and

leapt when he was at last able to clasp

the maiden in his strong arms ! The

"Helen !" he could only find breath to

xclaim, but in that one fervid word, and

the responsive "Malcolm !" of the maid-

en, a whole world of love and trust were

In words few and brief she explained

boulder. On Malcolm leaving her at

hope of meeting him on his return

safety - not knowing whom the spy

the driving mist of rain enshrouded her.

shape of her lover, but nowhere was

Convinced at length of the uselessness

of a prolonged stay on the hills, she re-

solved to descend on the main path to

Balachulish, and thence walk home thro

In this course she had not. proceeded

far when a rushing, hissing noise behind

her caused her to look around. The dis

covery startled her. A mass of water

she saw, was rushing down the centre of

the narrow strath wherein she was stand-

which threatened to engulph her. A

ravine of firs lay at the bottom of the

strath.towards which the flood was driving

Instant destruction threatened her : but

with a saving presence of mind she had run for safety to the massive Cromlech,

or boulder stone, situated a little way

down the valley, and by an effort of

accede, and even while he yet waited

ing around their solitary spot of refuge

Malcolm to be found.

the Glen.

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A Tale of the Massacre of Glencoe

## CHAPTER VII.

THE HILL FLOOD.

A thunder storm among the Argyllshire hills, when accompanied heavy and continous rains, was a much more serious thing a hundred yesrs ago had thus got swddenly imprisoned against than it now is. The excellent system its inclination, he continued his descent, of level roadways and channelad drainbeing forced into an irregular detour by age now everywhere established throughthe course of the water. That the imout the Highlands very much diminishprisoned object might possibly prove a es the tendency of the hill-currents. to overflow and destroy road tracks and mind. low-lying parishes.

But a storm of wind and rain, if of marked severity, is still, above anywhere shallower, but proportionately broader, else, perhaps, in the whole Scottish Highlands, an awe-inspiring power which it had just escaped. among the Glencoo hills. The great and precipitous height of the peaked and cloven mountain ranges enclosing that lonely and gloom-invested valley a little west of where he walked. The cour her, and she longed to throw herstill render the habitations of the Glen drenching rains, forming quickly into subject to sudden floodings. The pathways of the Great Glen are to this day in many parts overflown and torn up with its broad and shallow breast. But the every succeeding winter's rain. The water, converging from many points inwas the sudden blocking up of a neigh- armpits, he struggled towards her and to some of the deep gorges lying at the boring torrent by a mass of rock becom- clutched at the island rock. Pausing to base of the hills, overflows its natural ing detached by a stroke of lightning, channels and, rushing precipitately toand so diverting the deep current of ward lower levels, converts for the time water as to throw into the already overhillfoots and roadways into a brawling flowing hill loch, which had thus sudden ly, and without warning, swept with great

A century and a half ago, however, the condition of the Highlands in this respect, as in many other ways, was much less unimproved than it now is. General-Wade had not yet cut his great lengths of military roadways through the heart of the Highlands, and agricultural drainage was in a measure unknown. In such circumstances frequent floodings of roads, and even entire parishes, that of a female, and that that female by the winter rains or the sudden melting of the accumulated hill snows were the common experience. The mountain torrents and hill lochlets would then rise with extraordinary rapidity. and the lives of both men and cattle be suddenly jeopardised. In the district of Glencoe this was especially the casethe great height and steepness of the surrounding hills inducing the formation of such sudden and destructive floods.

The thunderstorm, as described in the preceding chapter, had no more than reached its height when Malcolm Maca true man, to ford the tumbling ford at the gloaming as with a black pall, condonald resolved on setting off to Balaall risks, and that at once too, that he junctly induced her to the step. She chulish for help. In taking such a course he hoped to solve at once the beloved of his heart. cause of Helen Cameron's disappearance from the betrothal "Well." in Glenachoalais. If she had gone thither for shelter he would in all liklihood find her there, but if she had not been seen there, then the probability was strong that she was still wandering about on the lover was instantly blanched by the sight runt was roaring in sudden pale. The hills, exposed to the fury and danger of the storm, or had met with some acci- swept dangerously between them. dent during her descent.

Her isolated position on the boulder spiring, and the vivid jects of lightning

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exist amongst other relics of ancient bar- ous small pieces of rock which were an attempt to escape a prolonged stay rumbling down the bead of the current, on the boulder-which seemed already barism in different quarters of the Scotmoving under them-was a prospec and so continually striking against his

apparently not less fatal in chance. As he neared the spot a figure seemed legs. In this way he was several times The rain was still driving remorseless to be crouching for shelter from the fury very nearly thrown over ; once notable ly down and the sky lying so low and by the bow of a small fir tree, which of the flood on the top of this mass of rock, but on account of the driving mist first struck against, and then swirving black that the presence of the surrounding chain of hills was alone manifested of rain he was for a moment unable to about careered swiftly past him. by the reverberations of the rumbling determine what the object might be. Once or twice, too, as he sank to the Concluding at once that the figure waist the strong current caught him, as thunder, which seemed to strike against

their cloven shoulders and break up into perched on the solitary boulder stone if the ground was leaving him, he would could be nothing else than a hill goat, or momentarily psuse to steady his footing. a myriad of detonating echoes. some wandering blackfaced sheep, which "I fear to leave the stone." said the The face of Helen Cameron, however,

trembling maiden ; and yet what if it was turned to him, and often as he looked towards her he caught fresh hope, rolls over with the weight of the flood ! and stepped determinedly on. It already feels unsettled under our Already her rescue was on the eve of feet.'

completion. He stood within ten yards "If the stone lifts, Helen, we shall human being never once entered his of her and could listinctly observe the gain the bank safely, or both go over the expression of her face. Her counten- ravine locked in the last love-devoted ance was deadly pale, She had been embrace.

"That would be madness, Malcolm ; watching with almost suspended breath save yourself. I will remain here and his every step of progress towards her. meet my fate alone." than it was in the narrower strath from Once or twice a slight cry of horror escaped her lips, as he seemed to stum-

"Not if the heavens were to fall, darling," energetically rejoined Malcolm; "Without you life were valueless. Still there is hope of rescue. The Cromlech stone may stand till the storm subsides. Already the thunder is passing away from us, and may take the rain-clouds with it. Let us preserve our hearts."

"Malcolm !" and the maiden threw her arms around him as if for protec-

The exclamation was sudden, and was occasioned by a loud, crashing, sudden noise which seemed descending on them from an upper reach of the hillside. Presently, in conjunction with the

alarming noise, he observed a great mass of rock tumbling down the inclined bed of a neighboring torrent. Keeping the track of the torrent, it fell with a loud thud into the heart of a deep corrie, at self into a natural linn, and momentarily was engulphed from further view, dashing up, in the act of fall, great masses of

brown water against the pouring skies. It seemed for the moment as if the

force of the storm, and the startled lovers, thinking their doom sealed, clung to each other with a closer embrace, and resignedly awaited the issue.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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#### The Kitchen and Market Garden.

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We have long advocated the planting A western miner thus describes the of the farmer's vegetable garden in long mannes in which he outwitted a blizzard rows, and so far apart that most of the with the aid of his dog :--

work can be done by horse cultivatore. If we have striven for any one improvement in farm life, it is to convince the dog of his'n. Bose. farmer that he can easily have an abundance of the choicest vegetables at a very little cost. We are glad to have help in our endeavor to show farmers how easy it is to have a garden that will not only supply the family, but bring in profit besides. It has come in the shape of Mr. Joseph Harris' "Gardening for Young and Old," in which an attempt is made

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If I run, it would ketch me. If I stud still it was death.

A Tale of a Deg

I was in Cheyenne after Jim had got

rich and persuaded him to give me that

I was out huntin' one day near Lara-

mie when one of them hurricanes came

It was permire all around. I could

up, and I didn't know what to de.

So I jes took and shoved ole Bose's nose agin a bank and yelled "rats You orter have seen that dog scratch. He throwed the dirt behind him li e a breaking plow drawed by twenty yoke of oxen. I held on to his tail and h. scratched We hadn't got in the ground more'n two hundred feet when the

storm struck us. But Bose kept scrate .in'. I let him go on for a mile or so, but I told him to let up which he aid. the surprisedest dog you ever seed, hecause he hadn't caught up with the vat. I got back to the top of ground went to Laramie and started the story that I had found a cave.

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gloamin', with a soft and violet-hued quick sense at once. She had been reat the betrothal "Well," and within an had been overtaken by the first rush of extreme loneliness of her position excithour the gloamin' had become engulph- the projected loch waters, to escape ed her into a frantic and irregular meed in a darkness blacker than that which she had despairingly clambered to thod of search. She went and came beed in a darkness blacker than that which she had despairingly clamoered to the of calm to the appalling fury of tempest the top of the only shelter at hand—the followed up in the pursuit, with a deviat- writes this from AntigonishaN. S., who

With energetic steps Malcolm passed described. over the saturated and uneven ground. Around him torrents of rain water were as yet short, but brief as it was it seem- Again and again her eager eyes had been hanging in ragged strips from every shelving cliff, and many portions of the over's side at the betrothal "Well." deceived by jutting ledges of crag which seemed in the darkness to body forth the over a side at the betrothal "Well." deceived by jutting ledges of crag which seemed in the darkness to body forth the over a side at the betrothal "Well." surrounding hills were fast forming into Malcolm's first impulse was to rush tracts of flood. The thunder was abatstraight into the midst of the tumbling

ing, but the rain was still falling in uncurrent of water and make his way to diminished volume, and the wind was the imprisoned one. The probabilities driving in furious gusts and howling comprised in the attempt gave him no among the corries and gaps of the mounfear, grave as they appeared. He had by instinct a high-minded contempt of

Resolutely, however, and with as yet danger wherever met. If he could but no sense of fatigue, he pushed on in an reach her ! That was his first and only oblique north-west direction. thought. Once by her side, assisted by

tains.

Nothing noteworthy occurred to inhis strength and courage, they might terrupt his progress till on reaching a then both be able to ford their way back crest of a howe which rose abruptly bethrough the flood with comparative safety. As for himself he was resolved ing, with a front of foam at its head fore him, he was astonished to find a large portion of the sloping ground beat all hazards to reach her; and once neath him already in a state of dangerthere, if a return journey through the ous flood.

flood was found to be impracticable, then Pieces of loosened rock, branches of he could at least remain with her until fir trees, and masses of gorse and heath- the storm of wind and rain had subsided er, torn from their scant rootage, were or help out of their difficulty had in being borne swiftly down on the brown some providential way come about. bosom of the roaring, tumbling flood.

Strong in these resolutions he hurried speed was just in time to scale it when In the murky darkness which prevaildown the sloping ground and was pre- the angry flood was round her feet, feamed he was unable to trace the source of sently struggling and fighting his way ing and dashing itself against and around the flood, but he saw that it occupied through the brawling current, which, on Her ark of safety. the narrow, sloping strath beneath him account of the uneven nature of the As for Malcolm, now that he was be-

to the depth of several feet in some ground, was comparatively deep and side her, his first earnest thought was to places. shallow by turns. One moment he sank have Helen removed from the perilous Hurrying along the higher of the two into the water to his waist, another step natural banks of rock which wedged in and he would rise almost clear of it. He position into which untoward accident had thrust her-a position, which now, for the flood he followed its downward held his feet firmly and well, and his both of them, secured every moment be course until it opened into a wider area only fear of defeat lay in the possibility coming more porlicas and insecure. and afterwards brawled in broken, un- of some portion of the submerged ground "We cannot remain here," he said.

equal masses over a shelving ravine of sinking as much as to take him practic-"Let us venture the fleod. I am strong ally beyond his depth-a baffling predic-At the lower end of the coursing flood, ament, as no swimmer, however strong f arm and heart." and near to the edge of the ravine men- of arm, could hope to contend for/a But the maiden trembling hesitated to

tioned, he noticed a large mass of boul- single moment with such a sweltering, der rock which seemed completely rapid-running flood. But that extrem- her reply the flood secured to forewara islanded by the surrounding flood. This ity, fortunately, had not yet occurr him against the perilous attempt by risboulder he knew to be a "Cromlech" | ed.

stone, or the remains of one of the Drui- The chief hindrance to his progress, as with an increased swell and fury. dical alters of old, several of which still far as he had yet gone, was the numer- But if death confronted the levers

sky, when the lovers had had their turning to Balachulist-as he had sup. stances of the danger was, to say the of wonderful merits and show what a plight marred by the incident occurring posed she was likely to have done-but least of it, distressing. A sense of the regular dollar-size bottle will do. Call early.

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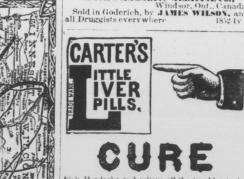
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