### Buelph Evening Mercury

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### HELENA GRAHAM, THE BRIDE'S SACRIFICE.

CHAPTER XI.

"O Fanny! Fanny! how little did
I dream last night that you were in that
fatal ship." he exclaimed, passionately.
"Ugh! yes; wasn' it awful?" said the
young sirl, with a shudder. "I shall
never get the horrid sight and sounds of
that dread'all night out of my mind while
I live. Oh, to have heard the screams
and cries, and prayers and blasphemies
of the drowning crew, mingling with the
fearful storm, was appalling. Holy
saints! I hear them yet!"

With a ccnvulaive shudder, she hid her
face in her hands.

"Thank heaven, your life was saved,
at least," said Clinton, with fervor.
"Yes; our escape was little less than
miraculous. I remember some one making me fast to a floating spar as the ship
struck; then the waves swept furiously
over me, and I remember no more until I
awoke, and found kind friends chafing
my hands and temples. Was it you who
saved me, Herbert?"
"Not exactly. The waves washed you
ashore, and my part of it was merely to
have you conveyed up here. But how
little did I dream then that Fanny Tracy
was so near."
"Fanny Vaughan, if you please, Mr.

"Fareny Vaughan, if you please, Mr. Clinton," she said quietly. "I have had the honor of changing my name since I saw you last."

"And you have married Charles Vaughan! O Fanny, Fanny!" he said reproachfully.

Her eyes flashed, as she faced suddenly round, and said, sharply—

"Yes, I have married him; and, Mr. Clinton, don't you dare to speak of him in that tone sgain. I will not endure it. No, not if you had savedimy life a dozen times!"

The angry blood flushed to her pale cheek, and she jerked her hand angrily from his grasp.

Herbert bit his lip till it bled, to keep down his rising anger, while Jessie and Mrs. Ben still sat staring in increasing amazement.

There was a long, disagrecable pause, broken at last by Mrs. Vaughan saying, in her usual quick way—

"There, 'you need not get angry now, Herbert; have you forgotien that no obe used to get angry and forget that we are very o'd friends."

A shadow crossed Herbert's face as he bent over the little hand she extended.

"Has your—has Mr. Vaughan ben saved?" he asked, in a suddued tone.

"Yes, the waves washed us both ashore together. But something struck him on the head, and he is unable to rise. I suppose you are puzzling your brains now to know what brought us to this quarter of the globe?"

"I confess I have some curiosity on that point."

"Well, you see," said little Mrs. Vaughan, adjusting herself more comfortably in the chair, "we went on a bridal tour through the highlands, and on our way home, Charles thought he would call at Craig's End, where he had business of some kind. We took a coasting steamer at Glasgow, and, strange to say, we had fine weather until the journey was near its end, and then the storn arcse in which we so nearly perished. But, Herbert, what under the sun can have driven you here?"

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