

The Rival Clansmen

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XXIII.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END—ANAS ASCERTAINS THE DESTINATION OF CAMERON AND HIS—THE CATERANS OF BENTON—CAPTAIN WINTERTON JOINS HECTOR IN THE PURSUIT.

"But how have you succeeded in breaking up the band?"

"I came upon them yesterday morning while yet they were engaged with your kinsmen, and our combined force was easily able to overthrow them. I then marched on and rested at Castle M'Leod whence I have just come."

"A thousand thanks for the intelligence sir," joyfully exclaimed Hector. "Your words are welcome, indeed. I observe you have met Anas M'Donald, who generously returned for horses that I and those who are to go with me might be able to pursue our journey."

"Yes," responded Winterton, "I met the youth, and he has told me all you purpose doing, as well as the charge you mean to lay against Cameron, which I shall be glad to receive. I can easily provide you with horses, and will ride on with you in advance of my men. Sergeant Goodley can be left in command assisted by your lieutenant, Roderick M'Leod, who is in charge of your kinsmen and these will be quite sufficient to bring the prisoners. And further, I am now just as eager as you to have an end of this work, and am ready to go on the moment you say the word. When shall you be ready?"

"Immediately," was the young man's reply. "But the others may require a few moments. As Anas has doubtless told you, his father is to accompany us, as also the lady who has been long known as the Witch of Ben-Lair. They wait inside. Please step in and tell them of your success, and that you are ready to go with us, while I go forward to thank my men and yours, Captain, for the signal service they have rendered me."

Without a word more, Captain Winterton walked into the hut, preceded by Anas; while Hector stepped over to his clansmen and the soldiers. The clansmen, when they found their Chief gone on the occasion of the struggle with the Caterans at the back of the hill of Skerryvach, were very much puzzled to know what had become of him. They had been totally unable to account for his sudden and mysterious disappearance until they had been joined by Captain Winterton and his soldiers, who told them of his heroic pursuit of McKenzie and Cameron. They therefore at present received him with every expression of joyful congratulation, cheering and flinging their bonnets in the air; while the piper of the clan at once caused the valley to resound with a triumphal air in honour of the safe discovery of their Chief. M'Leod addressed cheering words to them, and also to the soldiers, both of whom cheered him again and as he repeated his determination to bring Cameron to justice, and to measure out a due reward to Ian M'Kenzie—the Caterans meanwhile scowling defiance from beneath their heavy, lowering eyebrows. When M'Leod returned and entered the hut, he found that old Murdoch and the Witch of Ben-Lair were ready to go with him; and horses being brought up to the door, the party were shortly mounted, and off in pursuit of the two villains whom they wished to bring to justice, and from whom they wished to rescue the two women they held prisoners. The party were Hector and the Witch of Ben-Lair, old Murdoch, his son, Captain Winterton, and two mounted soldiers. The remainder of the soldiers and the clansmen were instructed to follow as hard as they were able—Dingwall being their destination.

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