

Jeannie Sinclair, OR, THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

MARKET-DAY AT SHAWHEAD—THE TWO TRAVELERS—AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION OVER-HEARD—EXCITING SCENE AT THE BANK.

'Then 'tis Robert Douglas has no near relatives?' said Jim, interrogatingly. 'No, no, sir. No one. But will ye, sir—'

'Will I answer your question? Oh, yes! I did see them in California. We all wrought at the diggings together, and made between three and four thousand pounds. We sailed in the same ship, the Petrel. She took fire in a thunder storm, was burned, and sank. We took to the boats. The boat in which we diggers were was the only one that did not swamp, but we had no provisions, and after being tossed about on the sea for days, my companions died one after the other, till I was the only one left. I was nearly dead too, when I was picked up by a ship. I got to England only a few days ago, and I have come here to get our cash, for we sent it on to the bank here; and, as my companions are dead, it is all mine.'

'Was't me, was't me!' but ye bring bad news indeed, said the landlord, in a tone and with a look of genuine sorrow. 'An' they are a' three drowned! Sic heavy tidin's for the folk in the Strath! A'ack-a-day!—'

'And sic a fine young lad as Maister Robert was; and see for that pairt was the ither gentleman. He stopp'd here sae day, and a purpose-like, well spoken chield he was, though naebod, was a' anything about him, or where he belonged to. Ye'll be gaun owre to the Strath to tell the Sinclairs and them?'

'Well, I don't know! I'm rather in a hurry,' replied Jim. 'And, egad, that reminds me that the bank will be shut immediately. I must go across for the cash.'

'Clever Jim Murdochson! Having pumped the landlord of all information necessary to him, he left the room; and armed now, as he deemed, with sufficient knowledge to impose on Mr. Munro, he went boldly across the street towards the bank.'

'As he was quitting the apartment the Captain, lying quite still in his easy chair, and closed first one eye and then the other, and watched his retreating figure. Then, as he heard his footsteps pass out into the street, he sat bolt-upright and gazed through the open window at Jim's jaunty figure as he swaggered across—never taking his eye off him till he disappeared within the doors of the bank.'

'Well, there's a precious scoundrel!' he ejaculated. 'My eye, I wonder how I managed to keep quiet all the time he was laying off such confounded lies. But I'm glad I did it, for it has shown us what a rascally landshark he is. By the Lord Harry, but it has been a providence that made me miss the coach, and kept me here. Shiver my timbers, I'm as fibbergasted as a ship taken all aback by a foul wind. I know I should be doing something at once, yet here I am sitting as still as a binnacle. Hang it, I wish I knew what to do. That fellow is up to some horrible foul play, and if I don't look sharp he'll cut out his prize from under the very nose of the fleet. The poor fellows—I wonder what has come over them, for it is clear they did not swamp as we thought. By heavens, I'll force the truth from him, though I should choke it out through his lips.'

'The Captain started up, and, stalking to the window, stared hard at the bank. How long he might have stood thus inactive is uncertain, but he was suddenly put into motion by seeing the clerk preparing to close the premises for the day. This acted like a spur, and, catching up his hat, he made across the street at a rapid pace, just as the clerk had got one half of the door fastened up and was preparing to close the other.'

'Past bank hours, sir,' remarked the official, standing in the narrow aperture to bar the Captain's entrance.

'I know, I know. My business is not in the bank but with the banker.'

'Can't see Mr. Munro at present, sir. He is engaged.'

'I know he is, but I must see him. It is of the utmost importance that I see him immediately. Stand aside, my man.'

TO BE CONTINUED.

The Spanish Regent.

Spain has a regent for a ruler for the third time within the last forty years. The first of the three was Queen Christina, the mother of Isabella, lately driven from the throne. The revolutionary movement at Madrid in 1840 resulted in her down fall and the appointment of General Espartero as regent, who held power only two years, when he was overthrown by another revolution, and Isabella, then only 13 years, was declared by the Cortes to be of age.

Francisco Serrano, the new regent, is one of those many soldiers of fortune in Spain who owe their fame and rank to the devotion with which they attach themselves to the cause of Christina, and the courage with which they fought during the war of independence. Like many of his class he was liberally rewarded by the Queen, mother, and at the period of her overthrow, in 1841, he already held high rank in the military service of his country. The Queen's abdication and exile did not long retard his advancement, for he took a prominent part in the successful movement against the regent Espartero; and immediately on the restoration of Christina he joined Narvaez in his scheme to combat and destroy the influence of O'Donnell. He gained his cards with so much skill that he continued steadily to rise at Court, playing such influence over the mind of the young Queen that in 1846, some time after marriage, a very serious difference occurred between her and the King Consort, arising out of the latter's jealousy of Gen. Serrano. This domestic difficulty was indeed a matter of public scandal at the time. An attempt was made shortly after by the Duke of Sotomayor to ruin Serrano politically, but it recoiled on that Minister's own head, Serrano succeeding in overthrowing the Ministry of which the Duke was chief. Popular opinion, however, proved more powerful than royal favor, and Serrano subsequently fell with the Ministry of the Salamanca, with whose fortunes he had identified himself. Up to this time the lucky favourite had been a reactionary in politics, but he now became a liberal, and he has ever since been identified with what is known in Spain as the Liberal Union party. He was sent in 1854 into exile for having taken part in the Saragossa outbreak; but the revolution of July in that year opened the way for his return to Spain, and he became a supporter of the O'Donnell-Espartero Coalition. He played a prominent part in the coup d'etat of July, 1856, it being principally through his instrumentality that the insurrection in Madrid was subdued, and O'Donnell enabled to seize power as Dictator. For this service he was sent as Ambassador to Paris; but the downfall of O'Donnell shortly after led to his recall. In 1855 he was appointed by the new O'Donnell Cabinet Captain General of Madrid. For many years he has had a seat in the Senate, where he has distinguished himself by a uniform and vigorous opposition to the reactionary policy of the old school of Spanish statesmen, and by his hearty support of all liberal measures. He has taken a quiet but influential part in this last revolution, and he owes his elevation to power as regent to the character he has won, of late years, for prudence and moderation, joined to liberal and enlightened views. Serrano is about 70 years of age, having been born at the end of the last century.

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