

Somehow, there was not much more said ; but the end of it all was, that when the Dents went to England for the skilled medical advice which soothed Mrs. Dent's sufferings and restored as much of health as was possible to her,—and when Jim went with them to introduce his promised bride to his parents,—Phil and Jeanie, as man and wife, remained in the Red House by the Rockies.

Often and often in winter evenings, by the cosy fire, they talked of the sad weary wanderings the English prisoners had undergone. But Jeanie had always a good word for Riel. He was tried on July 17, 1885, found guilty, but recommended to mercy. The pretext of partial insanity was raised in order to save his life, and indeed there seems to have been at times a terrible excitement in the man, since, in the rising of 1870, he caused a prisoner named Scott to be unjustly executed. Remorse for this act preyed on his mind, and he would cry out, "Blood! We must have blood!" with eyes in which men saw a strange, sad fire. But the plea was not allowed, and he was hanged as a traitor and revolutionary leader. Perhaps the execution was a necessity, though a sad and stern one, for peace was restored among the half-breeds, and no further struggle has arisen. Thus one man's death