

HIS LORDSHIP'S ROMANCE

Something like pity seized him when he saw the young girl bid farewell to the stately home where she had so long reigned as queen. But she passed out of his life, and he was easily consoled for the slight pain he suffered. Lady Blake offered the friendless orphan a home; but the bread of dependence is proverbially bitter, and that of Lady Blake was of the bitterest. Years and years ago she had imagined herself wronged in some business matters by the dead earl. She had never forgiven him, and she found no better subject of conversation with which to entertain this unhappy daughter than the constant abuse of her father's memory. Lady Florence endured it for a time, but she had tenderly loved this poor, prodigal father, and she was evidently accustomed to high society. The evening was long and dull; and in compliance with Mrs. Cadwell's request, Florence sang some operatic airs. The girls were both rather sulky at being eclipsed; they could neither play nor sing so well as the companion. It was not eleven o'clock when the candles were ordered, and Florence, wearied and dispirited, retired to her room. "Mamma," said the eldest Miss Cadwell solemnly, when the door was closed and they were alone, "were you mad when you engaged that girl to live with us?" "Mad, my dear," said the poor lady; "no, what can you mean?" "You intend to marry me, and myself to marry well," continued Maria. "You are taking us abroad, hoping we shall marry there, and you engage that girl to go with us. Do you know what we look like beside her? What chance shall we have next her?" said the eldest Miss Cadwell, nervously; "she speaks Italian so well."

place it. It is not often Miss Wyverne leaves things untidy." She raised the blue satin; it was the sleeve of a richly-trimmed dress. Maria forgot all else. In her curiosity she drew out the remainder, and found one of the most elegant evening dresses she had ever seen, trimmed with seed-pearls and point lace. She held it up before her astonished sister, and they both gazed for some minutes in unfeigned admiration. "How beautiful! how exquisite!" cried Julia. "I never saw anything so elegant." "What in the world," said Maria, "can a girl in Miss Wyverne's position want with a dress like this? It must have cost a fabulous sum." It had indeed; it was one of the last presents which the poor old earl had made to his idolized daughter. She had never worn it, and did not like to part with it. "Where could Miss Wyverne have found the money to buy this? I tell you what, Julia," continued Maria, solemnly, "there is something not right about her. I have always felt sure of it. I shall warn mamma, instantly, and she must get rid of her. Come with me now." The two sisters went immediately to Mrs. Cadwell's room. "I am sure, mamma, that all is not as it should be," concluded Maria, after relating the story of the dress and its magnificence; "neither you nor I ever had anything like it in our lives. Does it stand to reason that a young person in Miss Wyverne's position could purchase such a dress?" "It may have been given to her, my dear," remonstrated Mrs. Cadwell, mildly. "Nonsense, mamma!" cried Julia. "Who in their senses would give a dress like that to a companion—it is fitted for a duchess. Depend upon it, there is something wrong about her; and you will repent it if you do not get rid of her." "Well, if I must, I must," sighed the mother; "but she is really very useful. But say nothing about it to-day—we are going to the opera to-night, and I will speak to her then." Satisfied that they should at length get rid of a rival, the Misses Cadwell were restored to something like Florence's mood. "I never thought of it," said Maria when she returned, while she, who had often been puzzled by their conduct before, wondered at the malicious yet triumphant looks with which they regarded her. "What man in his senses will look at us when she is by?" "But, my dear," said the mother, meekly, "you forget her position. You are heiresses, remember, while she is only a companion." "I shall take good care that she remembers her position," said Maria; "some kind of people are always presuming. Now, remember, mamma, she must be taught to know her place and keep it!" CHAPTER XXVIII. Whatever were the trials and difficulties of her new life, Florence resolved to bear them bravely. The great sting of all was removed—no one spoke ill of her dead father. Her warm, loving heart was not wounded a hundred times each day by allusion to his fault and the wrong he had done to everyone. With Mrs. Cadwell she would have been, comparatively speaking, happy; but the young ladies were jealous and envious. The journey to Rome was not unpleasant. To Florence it was one of dream of delight; she forgot the petty vexations, the little miseries of her every-day life. She was realizing one of her wildest hopes; she was traveling to that land of beauty and of song of which she had dreamed from the time when she had been a child. They reached Rome in safety. Many English people were there, people of rank and position; Mrs. Cadwell's heart rejoiced as she read the long list of noble and celebrated names. She took apart from her own kind of people are always presuming. Now, remember, mamma, she must be taught to know her place and keep it!"

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST Homestead Regulations. ANY even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded by any person the sole head of a family, or male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less. Application for homestead entry must be made by person by the applicant as a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at an Agency on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader. An application for entry or cancellation made personally at any Sub-agent's office may be made by the applicant at the expense of the applicant and the land applied for is vacant on receipt of the telegram such application to have priority and the land will be held until the necessary papers to complete the transaction are received by the Department. In case of "personation" or fraud the applicant will forfeit all priority of claim or if entry has been granted it will be summarily cancelled. An application for cancellation must be made by the applicant at the expense of the applicant for homestead entry, and only one application for cancellation will be received from an individual homesteader, explicitly as been disposed of. Where an entry is cancelled subsequent to institution of the homestead proceedings, the applicant for cancellation will be entitled to prior right of entry. Applicant for cancellation must state in what particular the homesteader is in default. A homesteader whose entry is not the subject of cancellation proceedings, may, subject to the approval of the Department, relinquish it in favour of father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister if eligible, but to no one else, on filing declaration of abandonment. DUTIES—A settler is required to perform the duties under one of the following plans: (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of the homestead. (2) A homesteader may, if he so desires, perform the required residence duty by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. Joint ownership in land will not meet the requirements of this plan. (3) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of a homesteader is permanent residence on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, such homesteader may perform his own residence duties by living with the father (or mother). (4) The term "vicinity" in the two preceding paragraphs is defined as meaning not more than nine miles in direct line, exclusive of road allowances crossed in the measurement. (5) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duty in accordance with the above while living with parents at a farm-house owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so. SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTHWEST MINING REGULATIONS. COAL—Coal mining rights may be leased for a period of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1.00 per acre. Not more than 2,500 acres shall be leased to one individual or company. A royalty at the rate of five cents per ton shall be collected on the merchantable coal mined. QUARTZ—A person eighteen years of age, or over, having discovered minerals in place, may locate a claim 1,000 x 1,500 feet. The fee for recording a claim is \$10. At least 100 m.c. must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining revenue in lieu thereof. When \$500 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at \$1 per acre. The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2% per cent on the sales of the placer mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entrance fee, \$5; renewable year. An applicant may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental \$10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2% per cent on the output after it exceeds \$10,000. W. W. COYNE, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior. N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

NOVA SCOTIA STORM SWEEP.

The Worst Wind Storm Reported in Almost Forty Years. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 8.—The worst gale of wind, accompanied by the highest tide since the Saxby gale of October 4, 1870, prevailed on the Bay of Fundy coast and in a lesser degree throughout the Province last night. The signal agent at Briar Island says that between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning the wind blew from the south and southeast. The storm, which was a very serious overflow of marshes and bridges in the neighborhood of Cobequid Bay. Many small bridges are without railings, and one of these spans Moose Creek, and here an accident occurred. W. Davidson Hill, M. P., and his brother, Charles, late candidate for the Dominion Parliament, were driving, and their horse lost his footing over the outside end of Moose Creek bridge. The carriage tipped over, taking both men and horse underneath, but they managed to extricate themselves, and secured a footing after a struggle with the waters, which carried them almost through to an abutment. At Tiberton two fishing sloops were badly damaged. The fish stages were torn down and boats drifted across Tiberton's main street and in the fields. Petite Passage is now full of drifting boats and lobster traps. Fishermen report a big loss of lobster buoys, etc., at Digby. A wharf at Westport was destroyed totally. The main street of Westport is full of logs and driftwood. Loss to fishermen and others will be severely felt at this season of the year. The United States fishing schooner Senator Salisbury, which arrived at Liverpool yesterday, rudderless, dragged her anchors this morning and is ashore at Brookly.

VESEL'S HAPPY OMEN.

Child Born on the Mount Royal on Christmas Eve. London, Jan. 8.—The report that the Lake Manitoba is to take the Mount Royal's passengers to Canada proves to be incorrect. The question is yet undecided, but more beds are being shipped to the Mount Royal for the comfort of the passengers. It transpires that on Christmas eve, after five days below a male child was born to Josefa Muirz yaski. Both mother and child did well, and there were great rejoicings on board, though a hurricane was raging. The emigrants regarded the event as a happy omen, and had the child christened "Josef Royal."

EACH ACCUSES THE OTHER.

Cherry and Moore Deny Committing Robbery at St. Thomas. Detroit, Jan. 8.—Henry Cherry, aged 37, is under arrest here on a charge of having robbed a warehouse in St. Thomas, Ont., of between \$200 and \$300 worth of furs last March. The furs were sold in London, Ont., by Cherry, according to Provincial Detective Rogers. The question whether Cherry must go back to London to be settled by Walter S. Harshaw, acting as extradition commissioner. Cherry has admitted that he is the man wanted in Canada, but he says he had nothing to do with the robbery and lays it upon Moore, who is already under arrest in Ontario. Moore, on the other hand, is depending on the ground that Cherry is the guilty party. He knows about the robbery, though.

STRATHCONA PART OWNER.

Has Subscribed Part of Capital for Re-organized Times. London, Jan. 8.—Among the subscribers for the capital, amounting to \$1,000,000, for the London Times, which recently became the property of C. Arthur Pearson, are Lord Brassey, Lord Rolleston, Lord Strathcona, and Mount Royal, High Commissioner for Canada, Viscount Ives and Sir Alexander Henderson, Chairman of the Great Central Railway. Sir Alexander brings the largest contribution.

LIFE TERM FOR MURDER.

Slayer of Canadian Railroad Man Sentenced in Dakota. Pembina, N. D., Jan. 8.—J. L. O'Brien, of Neche, N. D., only sixteen and a half years of age, who killed his chum, Peter Leclair, at Gretna, Man., was sentenced to life imprisonment. The victim was a Canadian railroad man.

STORMS IN FAR EAST.

Many Lives Have Been Lost on Coast of Asia. Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 8.—News of storms in the far east, in which many lives were lost, was brought by the steamer Tremont, which arrived here this morning. Nine steamers were stranded on the Hokkaido coast and lost. The Hashi went down with twenty men, but the crews of the other vessels were saved. Forty sailing craft were lost with many men. From Sapporo news was received that 588 fishing boats were wrecked and more than a thousand buildings were flooded, many persons being drowned. The American schooner Dolores, from Yokohama for Guayamas, with coal, foundered in the storm, her crew being saved.

RE-COUNT HAS BEEN GRANTED.

alderman ballots in ward one, Brantford, where two candidates tied for a third place. It will be made before Judge Hardy on Saturday.

DOG SAVED ITS MASTER.

The Animal Attacked Bear, Which Had Seized Him. Cupar, Sask., Jan. 8.—Andrew Pollicie, of Tuchwood, was attacked yesterday by a huge brown bear. Pollicie picked up a club and struck the animal, which caught him by the arm and endeavored to get his other paw round a tree to hug him. Pollicie's dog, attacking from behind, made the bear lose his hold, and the man clubbed him to death. The bear weighs 158 pounds.

DIED FROM HEART FAILURE.

Elgin K. Smith Attacked After Having Teeth Extracted. Bowmanville, Jan. 8.—Elgin Keonath Smith and Fred Saunders, young farmers from near Leaskard, were in town yesterday, when Smith had some teeth extracted. On the way home Smith was attacked with heart failure and died before he reached home. He had recently returned from Manitoba, where he had had pneumonia, and was visiting his father, Thomas Smith, Leaskard. He was 22 years of age and unmarried.

BLAME CREW AND DESPATCHER.

Verdict of Coroner's Jury on Fatal Wreck at Tillsonburg. St. Thomas, Ont., Jan. 8.—The jury brought in the verdict before the Coroner's inquest at Tillsonburg last night on the west switch, Tillsonburg, which resulted in the death of Engineer John Walker and J. H. McCray, of Windsor. After being out for over three hours discussing the evidence, the jury returned with the following verdict: "That the cause of said collision was negligence on the part of the Washburn crew in not properly protecting the rear end of their train; that the despatcher might have prevented the collision if he had given holding orders on No. 93 at Tillsonburg so that the order board could have been displayed against the said No. 93."

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