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The Viper of Milan.

A ROMANCE OF LOMBARDY.
BY MARJORIE BOWEN.

(Continued.)

CHAPTER NINE.

The Return of the Dead.

Gripping Vittore's hand, Tomaso looked cautiously up and down the road. Crouching back in among the weeds and trees, they commanded unseen a view of any who might come or go; and though the day faded fast, it was still light enough to see many faces off. "No soldiers about tonight," whispered Tomaso; "they have ridden farther afield. We will go back, Vittore."

They had turned to retrace their steps when Vittore clutched his cousin's hand yet tighter, and suppressed an exclamation. "Look!" he whispered, "a horseman coming toward Milan."

Tomaso looked around nervously, and saw a single rider approaching swiftly, but casting searching glances around.

"The boys watched, mistrustfully waiting, still in hiding, to see him safely pass, to their dismay he slackened pace, and finally drew rein altogether and looked eagerly in their direction."

"Not a movement," breathed Tomaso, and Vittore crouched in silent fright.

None the less, motionless as they thought themselves, some slight movement betrayed them, for the rider dismounted, advanced toward their hiding place, and softly spoke.

"Who is there? I am a friend," he said. "He is a Florentine," whispered Vittore joyfully; Tomaso leaned against the tree in silence, and even through the gathering dusk, as the younger boy looked up, he saw that he was pale and trembling.

"Canst thou direct me?" said the stranger. "I can pay thee for thy service."

"Answer him, Tomaso," Vittore whispered eagerly; "he is a Florentine, he will not hurt us."

Tomaso made a step forward. "It is some one we know," he said chokingly; "or my brain is playing me strange tricks."

As he spoke, he put aside the branches that hid them, and stepped forward. The stranger had guessed their hiding-place unerringly; he stood close by, his horse's bridle across his arm. He was a slight, roughly-dressed, but well-formed man of middle age, light in color and of strong yet delicate features.

"Thou needest not fear me," he began with a smile; then, as the two figures drew near, he paused, and in his turn grew pale and trembling.

Tomaso, tossing his hair back from his face, with parted lips, stepped close, followed by Vittore.

"Father! Thou dost not know me!" "Son! Tomaso!" cried the traveler. He seized him by the shoulders with trembling hands, and scanned eagerly his face.

"Who art thou?" asked Vittore. "I am a Florentine," answered the stranger. "I am a Florentine," answered the stranger. "I am a Florentine," answered the stranger.

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"Tomaso!" and his voice was shrill with feeling, "Tomaso at last!"

They had not met for many months and years—two at least; the father, absent at a distant court, serving where chance had led him, for fame and fortune; the son, growing from boyhood into man in distant Florence.

Since Verona fell, Tomaso had mourned his father as dead, and he, in his turn, had wandered far, searching for the pair who had started out to find him.

With stifled sobs of joy, Tomaso clung about his father's neck, and was clasped to him in frenzied pleasure.

"They said thou wert dead, father!" broke out the youth at last. "I never thought to see thy face again."

"I thought the same of thee, my son," returned Ligozzi tenderly. "I have been searching for traces of thee long and wearily. I thought thou must have perished on thy long journey, having found out Verona had fallen. But in this Viper, he drew to him paternally the boy who, so far, had watched the scene with wide-eyed curiosity.

"And now, what art thou doing—and where staying?"

As if he feared to lose him, Tomaso held his father tightly by the sleeve, and which the bride had been slipped, and Vittore clinging to the other hand, they drew him forward between them to the place from which they had come.

"I am glad thou art not dead," said Vittore; "Tomaso grieved for thee sorely, and so did I."

Tomaso laughed happily. "Grieve! Ay, did we! But now we can rejoice."

"But why this haste?" Ligozzi asked, "where dost thou hurry me?"

"Back, father, whence we came, for I was left in trust. It is a path thy horse will follow, and I will tell thee what has happened as we go."

Ligozzi followed without further question, too full of joy for speech, and taking so much pleasure in that it was his son who spoke as for the moment not to heed too keenly what he said.

But when Tomaso, beginning, boy-fashion, with the last, and not the first, came to mention of the Visconti's blow, Ligozzi roared to fury.

"Methought I saw a scar across thy face," he said, "yet in this light I could not see too well. It is only one more wound to set against my Visconti's name, one deed the more to be avenged."

Tomaso took the clenched hand and covered it with kisses.

"I can forgive him now," he said, "since thou wert not slain when Verona fell."

"'Twas no fault of the Visconti's that thy living soul escaped," returned his father. "Still, go on with thy tale, Tomaso; who is this Francisco, that thou nam'st so oft?"

Tomaso, eager and suddenly light of heart, told all he knew, and ere his recital ended they had reached the open, and found everything as they had left it. The horses safe, nothing seemingly disturbed.

"Francisco will be pleased at a helper such as thou, father," said Tomaso proudly; "thou wilt be of more service in his venture than the German Count."

"And when this Francisco returns presently, the plan is that we set forth at once for Ferrara," asked Ligozzi.

"And meanwhile rest, father, and I will bring thee food. We have already eaten."

"I too, my son," answered Ligozzi; but he seated himself on one of the rough wooden stools and watched Tomaso affectionately, as he brought the poor horn lantern from the wall. He lit and set it on the table, where it cast a struggling and writhing light.

"Suppose the soldiers think to search again on their way home from some outlying district?"

"Then there will be another fight," said Vittore; "but Francisco will get the best of it."

"I owe this Francisco much," he said; "he must be a brave man, and his care saved you both. From Verona, didst thou say?"

"From Verona, father. He said he knew thee, thy name; he is di Coltra; he knew thee, he has said, and the Della Scala also!"

At Della Scala's name Ligozzi's eyes filled with tears, and his voice trembled when he spoke.

"I at least knew Della Scala well," he said, "and loved him too."

"Next to thee, Tomaso," he continued sadly, "his memory has filled my heart during these weary weeks. I hoped, hope against hope, he might have escaped even as I did, but there comes no sign he lives."

"Then thou didst not see him perish?" asked Tomaso softly.

"On that fearful night on which Verona fell," answered Ligozzi.

"He is tall and strong," replied Tomaso, "with thick brown hair and heavy eyes, a handsome face, I think it, father, stern and sad. He is worn—as if from sickness. The Count thinks him better than he gives credit for; I know not."

Ligozzi was silent; his figure alone was visible.

(To be continued.)

PROHIBITION OR NOTHING

Nova Scotia Alliance and Government Do Not Agree Concerning Legislation.

(Halifax Herald, Wednesday.)

In response to a suggestion made by Premier Murray some days ago, the executive of the Nova Scotia Temperance alliance, an other prominent advocates of the temperance reform, had a meeting in Halifax yesterday, to decide if anything short of the prohibition bill now before the legislature, would satisfy the temperance people of the province.

Among those present were: Rev. Dr. Chown, Secretary of the Temperance and Moral Reform for the Methodist church in Canada; Rev. Dr. Hart, president of the Nova Scotia Methodist conference; Rev. Mr. Craig, grand temple of the Nova Scotia Order of Good Templars; Rev. Mr. Aiken, president of the Nova Scotia Temperance alliance; Prof. E. W. Sawyer, organizer for the Nova Scotia temperance alliance; Rev. H. R. Grant, and a number of other prominent temperance advocates.

After considerable discussion, very unanimous in its nature, the following resolution was passed:

This meeting of the executive of the Nova Scotia temperance alliance and friends of temperance, stands by the prohibition bill now before the legislature and prays for its enactment."

After the passage of this resolution, delegates to the number of about, fifty received themselves into a committee to present their views to the government, and proceeded to the council chamber of the legislature, where they met the premier and the Hon. M. F. Fox.

The conference proved rather lively in its nature. The members of the government offered to use their influence with the Dominion government to procure effective amendments to the Canada temperance act, but indicated their hostility to the proposed bill, while the temperance delegates expressed their determination to stand by the measure.

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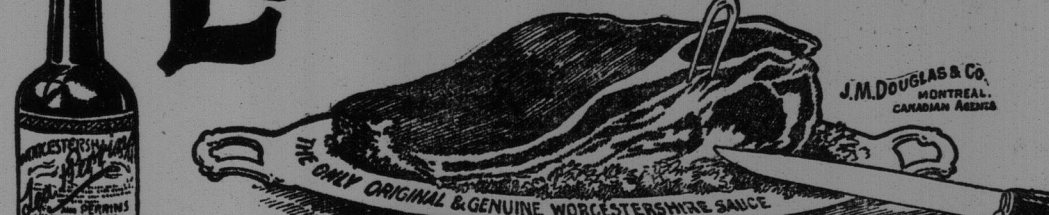
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After the business of the meeting had been disposed of, the members, as guests of Col. E. T. Sturges, the president of the society, took part in an informal smoker. Among the speakers was Colonel Laybourn, D. S. A., and vocal and instrumental music was provided by S. Matthews, W. H. Morgan, D. Arnold Fox and others. Light refreshments were served and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

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