

The Rival Glansmen
A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XXIII.

THE BEGINNING OF THE END—ENAS ASCERTAINS THE DESTINATION OF CAMERON AND IAN—THE CATERANS OF BEN-ACHRUI PRISONERS—CAPTAIN WINTERTON JOINS HECTOR IN THE PURSUIT.

"It is you, M'Leod," he exclaimed. "I am glad you have come. But who is with you?" "Ah, I should recognize her—the Witch of Ben-Lair."

"Even so, Murdoch, and we are come on business of pressing moment. But tell me, first, did Enas learn anything of those he sought?"

"Alas," replied the old man, "I know not what to think of his absence, but my son has not yet returned. I have never seen him since he left the hut while you were here."

"Never returned!" ejaculated Hector. "What can it mean?"

"I know not," replied Murdoch; "but I am scarcely free from misgivings. Gregor M'Donald, the landlord, came here just a little after you went out last night, and seemed to be angry because he found you were gone. I am afraid Donald Cameron and he must have been in league with each other, and must have suspected something of my son's errand, and have foully fallen upon him."

"Surely not!" exclaimed Hector, agitated at the thought. "They could not have suspected Enas of any complicity with me; and would not have raised their hands against him. Prudence would have shown them the folly of such a step."

"They had now all entered the hut, and during the above colloquy the Witch had been divesting herself of the extra clothing with which she had been wrapped up for the journey from Ben-Lair. But when she had heard Hector doubt that Cameron might have raised his hand against Enas M'Donald, she stepped forward, and with her small glittering eyes flashing wildly, exclaimed—

"Hector M'Leod, why should you wonder? Surely you know that the strongest point of Donald Cameron's faith is that 'dead men tell no tales.' You know that he is villain enough for anything, however wicked, to accomplish his vile ends. I hope you may be right, but I do not think you need be surprised when you hear it suggested that he may have done as old Murdoch fears."

The old man was much distressed at his son's lengthened absence, and both Hector and the Witch felt averse to break in upon his sorrow by referring to the more special object of their visit. But almost immediately an end was put to their suspense when Enas himself hurriedly entered the hut. He appeared to be much exhausted, and his dress was torn and disarranged as if he had been walking fast and far.

"Enas, my son, where have you been? What kept you so long away?" eagerly inquired Murdoch, the moment he saw him enter, while the others gathered round, eager to hear the young man's answer.

A flush of pride mantled young M'Donald's cheek as he, glancing at Hector, replied—

"I liked not, father, to return before I had accomplished what I went forth to do."

"And you have been successful?" eagerly gasped M'Leod.

"I have," replied the youth. "I have seen and dogged Donald Cameron and Ian McKenzie, and they carried with them the sister of Malcolm M'Leod and the young lady whose name is Flora Macgregor. Gregor M'Donald, the landlord of the inn, is also in company with them."

"Where are they? Where are they?" exclaimed Hector, with such vehemence and excitement that old Murdoch laid his hand on his arm as if to detain him from rushing off to seek them at the moment.

The Imperial Parliament and Home Rule.

The Home Rulers have fired their first gun, and made their debut as a distinct party organization in the British House of Commons. On Friday, when the address in reply to the speech from the throne was under discussion, Dr. Butt moved an amendment, representing the dissatisfaction of Ireland with the present system of Government, and declaring it to be the duty of Parliament to consider speedily the means of removing such discontent. Dr. Butt said the Irish asked for the management of their local affairs, leaving to Parliament the control of supreme matters. The Government of Ireland was based on distrust. The people asked the new Prime Minister, not for immediate Home Rule, but for complete policy of conciliation.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin upheld the amendment.

Mr. Newdegate and Mr. Gladstone opposed it, the latter arguing that such a division of legislation as the amendment proposed was impossible. There was no authority to determine what affairs could be considered as exclusively Irish.

Lord Robert Monckton, Sir George Bowyer, Mr. Johnston, and others supported the amendment.

Sir Michael Beach, Chief-Secretary for Ireland, denied the seriousness of the grievances alleged to exist. He said each party in Ireland interpreted Home Rule according to its own particular wants.

The discussion then closed, and the amendment was rejected by a vote of 51 to 114.

Why was the whale that swallowed Jonah like a retired milkman? "Because he got a profit (prophet) out of the water."

Emerson says: "The way to make the world better is by reforming number one, then there is surely one villain less in the world."

Forlorn husbands propose to organize praying hands to besiege the milliner's shops and to soften the hearts of extortionate dressmakers.

A Western paper says of the air in its relation to man:—It kisses and blesses him, but will not obey him." Blobs says that that description suits his wife exactly.

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GUELPH, March 2, 1874 dw

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