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Guelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EV'NG, MARCH 22, 1869.

Jeannie Sinclair,

THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

CHAPTER XVII.

WILLIAM DERMAN AND WANDERING NED AT THE OLD RUIN—FAREWELL TO STRATHNAE.

It was the evening of the day before that departure from the Strath, and William Denman lay on the clover-mound which fronted the ruins of the old Abbey, buried in meditation. Half-an-hour ago he had come down from Cloverlea with Robert Douglas, who was that evening to have a parting interview with his betrothed. And while the lovers were having their protracted stroll along the shady path by the river-side, William lay alone, by the gray fragment of the solemn past, indulging his own sad thoughts.

Sad and sorrowful they were in the extreme—dark, cold, cheerless. The shadow which fell on his life a few days ago had in no way abated; nay, it had rather deepened in its gloom. Jeannie Sinclair, his love, his heart's treasure, lost to him for ever, this was the one dejecting theme which engrossed his miserable reflections. So closely had his strong love, and the hopes and prospects it inspired, twined round the fibres of his heart, that, to wrench them away, was equal to tearing his heart in sunder. To all appearance henceforth it must be scaged and blighted. Love goes such a far way to constitute the joy and happiness of true existence, that the loss of it, the extraction of it, from his experience, must make life itself cheerless and valueless. So thought and felt William Denman now. He had heard and always believed till now that time healed every wound and deadened every sorrow; but his grief was too fresh and keen for him to realize this, and all his future lay, to his anticipation, under the same dense, dark cloud.

He had not repented of his resolution to accompany Robert Douglas to California. The excitement of such a journey, the change of scene and occupation for the mind, were precisely what he needed in the circumstances. His first duty—when he was again equal to the discharge of duty—would force him back to the Strath, for he had seen enough and more than enough to show him that the reign of Jacob M'Quirk must be brought to an end, that he must be made to give an account of his stewardship, and the injustice and hardship he was inflicting on those under his power terminated. As yet he could not decide whether he would or would not take up his permanent abode at the Abbey. He knew he ought to do it—that the responsibility attaching to him as the possessor of the property required it of him, but it would be such a pain to live in the vicinity of Baigley Castle and see Jeannie as its mistress, that for his own peace he felt he might be better to live elsewhere. This matter, however, need not be settled now. At the end of a year, when he returned from abroad with Robert, he would call the factor to account, and could then better judge, and decide as to the future management of the estate.

He had seen Jeannie for the last time. In the afternoon, before joining his friend at Cloverlea, he had called at the Holme to bid its inmates good-bye, and the parting not only with Jeannie herself, but with the others, had shaken his spirit severely. Thomas and Grizzy had by this time come to know the state of matters between William and Jeannie, and their sorrow and regret were extreme. Good simple souls! it had never occurred to them that the free and unrestrained intercourse between the young people would lead to such a result, else they would have warned Denman at the first. The evil, however, was done, and all the lamentation they could make could not remedy it.

The parting took place in the parlour of the farm-house, and in the presence of all. Every one was affected to tears. The final embrace of the lovers was long, tender, and passionate, and William, having imprinted the last fervent kiss upon her lips, and resigned her to the arms of Miss Wilson, rushed from the house and never looked back till the corner of the wood intervened to shut out the view.

All was, therefore, over between them. The bright and beautiful dream he had cherished had vanished. He might, indeed, in time to come see her again, but only as the wife of another. They could not meet as they had parted. She would be Lady Sinclair then, and a gulf would be between them separating them to an immeasurable distance from each other and from the tender and delicious past.

These and such reflections filled the soul of the youth as he lay upon the ground, making him sad even to melancholy, and wholly oblivious of the beauty and glory which the descending sun was shedding over the Strath. The time was when his ardent poetic mind rejoiced exceedingly in such a scene as he could have beheld from where he lay, but now its grandeur and magnificence failed to attract him.

'A penny for yer thocht, Maister Denman,' said a voice by his side, startling him somewhat, for he knew not that there was any one near. He looked up, and saw Wandering Ned standing composedly watching him.

'Ha! Ned, is it you,' said William. 'I feared I should have gone without seeing you.'

'Ay, ye are gaun a far journey it seems,' rejoined Ned, as with his usual sang froid he laid himself down by the youth's side—'a far journey, and I doot a fruitless one, sae far as Maister Robert is concerned.'

'Possibly Ned, very possibly,' rejoined Denman. 'I confess I do not share largely in my friend's sanguine expectation.'

'And is that what ye are sae douff and dowie about, Maister Denman,' asked Ned bluntly.

'Douff and dowie,' repeated William, with an inquiring glance.

TO BE CONTINUED.

The Streetsville Rape Case.

On Saturday the 13th inst., a man named James R. Sterling, a well-known auctioneer, was arrested in Streetsville, charged with committing a horrible rape on an orphan child of about twelve years of age, who is living under the care of Mr. Butcher, a baker of that village. A few days previous to his arrest, Sterling went with Butcher to his house at a late hour of the night, and had an oyster supper and some forty-rod whiskey between themselves, the rest of the family in the house being in bed. On Butcher retiring, about two o'clock, Sterling requested to be allowed to stay till morning, as all the hotels would be closed, stating that he would make himself comfortable in the rocking-chair, by the stove. That plan was agreed upon. The room of the one where Sterling was staying, was occupied by the little girl and two other small children from four to six years old. Sterling, being a frequenter of the house, knew this, and shortly after Mr. Butcher retired, this brute in human form crept into the little girl's bed, and ravished her in a manner too shocking to pen. She says she was so much frightened, by his threatening to kill her, that she dare not cry out. Next morning she did not like to tell Mrs. Butcher, whom she calls her mother, but told a washerwoman who came there during the day, and she told Mrs. Butcher. Mr. and Mrs. Butcher were so shocked on hearing it that they did not know what to do, as they did not like to expose the shame committed in their house under such circumstances; but on the report circulating around, Mr. Butcher concluded to lay information against Sterling. The magistrates would not grant a warrant until he had her examined by a doctor, which was done, and the child declared to have been most horribly used. Sterling was then arrested, and bro't before the magistrates of that village, and fully committed for trial. The details before the magistrate were of so revolting a nature that a great many in the village were almost inclined to lynch Sterling, who is about fifty years of age, a widower, having a grown up family. He was, a few years ago, a steady man; but for some time past has become quite besottled. At the present assizes he stated that he was not ready for trial, and, as will be seen by the assize proceedings, it was put off until next term.—Brampton Times.

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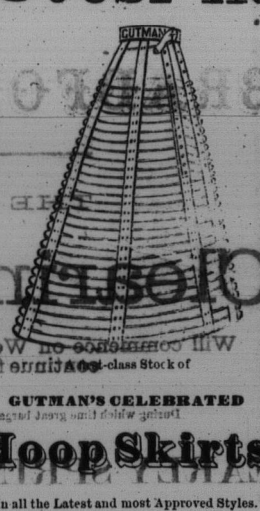

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