

HELENA GRAHAM, OR THE BRIDE'S SACRIFICE.

CHAPTER IX. In a short time they reached the office of H. Preston—a dingy-looking old house with his name over the door in exceedingly dingy letters.

Mr. Preston, a sharp, shrewd-looking little man, sat alone in his office when they entered. He pushed up his spectacles, and surveyed them keenly as they came in.

"You, I presume, are the H. Preston mentioned in this advertisement?" said Captain Graham, handing him the paper, and pointing to the advertisement.

"I am, sir. Can you give me any information concerning the parties in question?"

"Faith, he ought to, being the principal party in question himself," interposed Murray.

"How, sir—are you a relative of these Grahams of the Isle?" asked the attorney.

"Yes; the son of the Oscar Graham mentioned there."

"Ah! Are there any more of you? Is your father living?"

"No, he has been dead these four years; and there are no more of us, as you please to term it, but one sister. May I ask what this affair is all about?"

"Certainly, Mr. Graham, you are aware, perhaps, you had an uncle in London, Mr. Edward Dundas, the banker?"

"I knew it; wasn't I just saying the old gentleman was at the bottom of it?" said Murray, giving Captain Graham a dig in the ribs.

"I am aware of that fact, sir. He was my mother's only brother."

"Exactly. Well, he is dead."

"Indeed?" said the young man, gravely.

"Yes, sir; and having no heirs of his own, he has left his whole fortune to be divided equally between his sister's children. The sum is enormous; and I beg leave to congratulate you on your good fortune. I do not know the exact amount, and for further particulars it will be necessary for you to visit London, where the lawyer who drew up the will resides. Here is his address. All you have to do is, to prove your identity, settle a few preliminaries, and take immediate possession of your fortune. Excuse me, gentlemen, I am very busy, and with your permission will bid you good morning."

And the little lawyer bowed them politely out.

"Well, this is a slice of good luck!" exclaimed Murray. "Upon my word, Graham, you must have been born with a silver spoon in your mouth. I suppose you will start instantly for London?"

"Not instantly, my dear Murray. I must go and inform Helena of our good fortune. Dear, noble girl! for her sake I am truly thankful for this."

"Of course you ought to be; not many men are blessed with such a sister as that radiant, glorious Helena. Have you any objection to my accompanying you?"

"Delighted to have you, my dear fellow. Suppose we start now, we shall be at Mr. Calmont's before dark."

"Just as you please, my dear sir. I suppose it will be a 'sight for sore eyes' to see her dazzling majesty again."

A carriage was soon in readiness, and our two friends started to impart this sudden glimpse of Fortune's sunshine to Helena.

It was dark when they reached the parsonage—a handsome and rather imposing-looking mansion—and were ushered into the drawing-room by a neat-looking little maid. Helena and Mrs. M. Calmont were seated alone, Mr. M. Calmont having gone to see a sick parishioner.

Helena joyfully hailed her brother, and smilingly greeted his companion, who was an old friend and secret admirer. Poor Alec Murray! The impressions the child Helena had formerly made on his heart time had nearly obliterated; but that radiant smile, those glorious eyes and bewitching glance, totally finished him.

The Transit of Venus.

To-day (Tuesday) is set down for the "transit of Venus," or the day upon which that planet will pass directly between the earth and the sun. This is a rare event, and one upon which the astronomers all over the world have seized upon to settle certain vexed questions, deemed by them to be of great importance to science. We doubt if ever an astronomical event has been met with such extensive preparations, to get out of it all that is possible. And these preparations are such as can only be afforded by governments. No private astronomer, or observer, or scholar, is rich enough to afford the expenses involved in these observations, which require the most costly instruments and the stationing of observers at the most remote points upon the face of the earth. For the purpose of observing this event, Russia has sent twenty-seven different expeditions, fully equipped with astronomers and instruments, to the four quarters of the globe. France, Germany, and England have sent out ten or twelve each. And the Government of the United States has also done its full share with the other Governments of civilized nations. Congress appropriated \$150,000 for the necessary apparatus, and placed all the vessels of the Navy necessary for eight separate expeditions, at the command of the men of science. These expeditions will make the Pacific Ocean, west of California, Northern Europe and South Africa the points of observation. Among the questions to be settled by these observations are certain theories in relation to the constituent elements of the sun. The distance of the sun from the earth and other planets, it is believed, will be more definitely settled by this opportunity than heretofore, and it will afford an opportunity for the solution of various other mooted questions of great interest to scientists.

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