

## The Foster Brother;

The Orphan of the Wreck.

### CHAPTER XXX.

THE SNOWSTORM.  
"George, this is dreadful—horrible," gasped Harry. "Did you ever dream of anything so terrible?"

"Never," was the shouted reply. "The landlord was right, Harry; we should have remained at the inn."  
In less serious circumstances the wild magnificence of the elemental war would have elicited their admiration. The roar of the wind in the wood behind them was like the voice of a prolonged thunderpeal, or like great sea waves breaking in perpetual foam upon the rocks, and when it lulled there was heard in the intervals the more distant howling of the blast like the shrieks and groans of lost spirits, while past them flew the hissing snow, whirling in its mad dance through the ghastly darkness.

But situated as they were, the sublime grandeur of the scene was lost under the pressing feeling of personal danger, the imminence of which they fully realised when as they stood there in the shelter of the wood a feeling of drowsiness came over them, and with it a strong inclination to lie down and sleep.

George had often read of this, and knew only too well what it meant.

"For heaven's sake, Harry, let us be moving," he exclaimed. "This hollow is fast becoming blocked up with a snow-drift, and in a minute or two we may be unable to extricate ourselves. Let us forward, and seek for a house to shelter in."

"I know of no house hereabouts," returned Harry. "The moor is before us, and there used to be an inn somewhere about the middle of it."

"Then we must try and gain it. It is our only chance."

Bracing themselves up for another struggle, they began to move forward again, when both plunged into the centre of a wreath some four feet in depth.

"Good gracious, where are we now?" ejaculated Harry.

"Only in a wreath," said his friend. "We must make our way through it."

"I could lie where I am," continued Harry. "I have a feeling as if I could go right off to sleep."

"For God's sake resist that," cried his friend. "To give way to it would be fatal. Up, up for your life."

Thus admonished, Harry scrambled to his feet, and floundering through the wreath, they pressed forward, and soon came to the end of the wood, where the road was flanked on either side by a high embankment, it having been at that spot cut through aridge of rising ground which skirted the moor. Here they were still sheltered in some measure from the violence of the storm, but no sooner had they reached the further side of the cutting than they emerged all at once on the open plain, where they were exposed to its unmitigated power. An expanse of heather stretched on either side and in front, and the road was bordered by neither wall nor fence. Here, therefore, the tempest raged with unchecked vehemence, and they had not staggered forward fifty yards till they saw it was impossible to proceed. Blinded, bewildered, and nearly suffocated, they staggered about in helpless impotence and grasped at each other for support.

"Back, back," shouted George, in hoarsest accents; "if we advance we are lost."

Harry had no breath to answer, but he clutched at the other's arm, and down again they both tumbled into the deep ditch which ran parallel with the road, rolling and rolling over each other till they landed in the heart of another snow wreath.

As soon as they could gather force to rise they began to do so, when they felt something moving beneath them, and a simultaneous horror seized on them both.

ANOTHER LARGE FIRE IN HAMILTON.—On Tuesday evening, the smouldering ruins of the fire which broke out on Monday afternoon again burst into flames, and before anything could be done to check their progress, they had communicated with J. Davis & Co.'s store, the building which was saved with great difficulty last night, and which was gutted in a very short time. The Bank of Commerce, which stands within a few feet of the burned buildings, owing to the intense heat, took fire several times, but the flames were extinguished before they had time to communicate with the interior, which proved its salvation, for had the fire got under the roof, which is covered with iron, its destruction would have been certain. James Turner & Co.'s large wholesale grocery, which stands immediately in rear, and only separated by a space of about six feet, was also on fire, and at one time the volume of smoke and flame which issued therefrom was such as to cause grave apprehensions for the safety of the entire establishment; but fortunately the efforts of the fire brigade, assisted by the employees of the firm, proved successful. Had it been otherwise, there is no telling where the destructive element would have stopped. The total loss cannot be far short of \$100,000.

ONTARIO TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.—A special convention of the Temperance and Prohibitory League of the Province of Ontario held its first sitting in the Temperance Hall, Toronto, on Tuesday. The Rev. A. Sutherland, President of the League, occupied the chair. After an address from the President, verbal reports from the various representatives of temperance organizations in each of the counties of the Province were then presented; and suitable persons for county secretaries were also nominated. Mr. Neville, of Cobourg, then delivered an address entitled, "How can the work be systematically carried on in each county?" At the evening session interesting addresses were given by Mr. Gibbons on, "The Evils of the License System, and Defects of the Present Law." Rev. Mr. Scott, of Oshawa, spoke upon, "What the Liquor Traffic costs the Country." Mr. Thos. Nixon also read an able essay upon, "Prohibition, the only Effectual Remedy."

THE TROUBLE AMONG THE MEDICOS.—The Ontario medical students have secured through unity of action—the medicals of Toronto Colleges, Queen's College, Kingston, and McGill College, Montreal, having unanimously agreed to the resolutions adopted at the mass meeting in Toronto. The Medical Council aroused at last, have requested an interview with a deputation of students, which has been arranged to take place on Friday. The executive committee, which meets them, are understood to be divided upon some of the questions included in the resolutions.

Hon. Mr. McKellar, Commissioner of Public Works for Ontario, and Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Chief Superintendent of Education, have gone to Ottawa. Their business will be in connection with the selection of a site for the Normal School.

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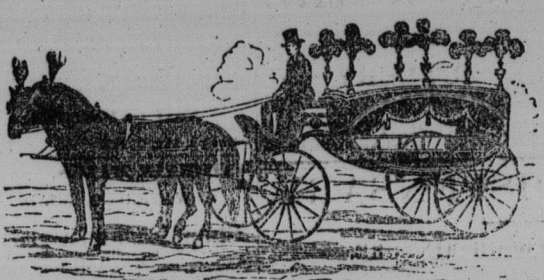
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Guelph, Dec. 14, 1872 dwv

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