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By Jules Verne

There in the midst of the crowd she had seen all. Not a cry had escaped her when the blade, white with heat, passed over the eyes of her companion. She had the strength to remain motionless and silent. A providential inspiration told her to preserve herself still free to guide the son of Maria Strogoff to the end which he had sworn to attain. Her heart for the moment ceased to beat when the old Siberian fell lifeless, but a thought soon restored all her energy.

"I will be the dog of the blind man," she said to herself.

After the departure of Ivan Ogareff Nadia had hidden in the shade. She waited until the crowds left the plateau. Michael Strogoff, abandoned as a miserable being to be feared by no one, was alone. She saw him drag himself as far as his mother, bend himself down to her, kiss her forehead, then raise himself up and grope for light.

Some moments later Michael and Nadia, hand in hand, had descended the steep hillside, and, after having followed the banks of the Tom as far as the extremity of the town, they happily passed out by a gap in the fence.

CHAPTER XIV.

MICHAEL STROGOFF and Nadia had left Semilowka about two hours when Michael stopped suddenly.

"Is the road deserted?" he asked.

"Without a soul on it," replied Nadia.

"Do you not hear some noise behind?"

"Truly."

"If these are the Tartars, we must hide ourselves. Look well."

"Listen, Michael," replied Nadia, ascending the road, which diverged some paces to the right.

Michael Strogoff stopped an instant alone, stretching his ears to listen.

Nadia returned almost immediately and said:

"It is a vehicle. A young man is leading it."

"He is alone?"

"Alone."

Michael Strogoff hesitated for a moment. Ought he to hide, or ought he, on the contrary, try the chance of finding a place in his vehicle, if not for himself, at least for her? For himself, he would be content to rest his hand on it and would push when needed, for his legs were far from falling him, but he felt that Nadia, dragged on, for since the passage of the Obi—namely, for more than eight days—was at the end of her strength.

He waited. The vehicle arrived soon at the turn of the road.

It was a very dilapidated vehicle, able to hold at most three persons—what is called in that country a kibitka.

The kibitka was usually drawn by three horses, but this one was drawn only by one horse, with long hair and a long tail, but its Mongolian blood affirmed strength and courage.

A young man conducted it, having near him a dog.

Nadia at once saw that this young man was a Russian. He had a sweet and phlegmatic appearance which inspired confidence.

Moreover, he did not appear to be in the least hurry. He walked with a quiet step in order not to overdrive his horse, and to see him one could never have believed that he was following a route which the Tartars might cut off at any moment.

Nadia, holding the hand of Michael Strogoff, stood on one side.

The kibitka stopped, and the driver looked at the young girl, at the same time smiling.

"And where are you going in this fashion?" he asked her as he looked pleasantly round.

At the sound of his voice Michael Strogoff said to himself that he had heard it somewhere, and without doubt it was sufficient to cause him to recognize the driver of the kibitka, for his face at once became serene.

"Well, now, where are you going?" repeated the young man, addressing himself more directly to Michael Strogoff.

"We were going to Irkutsk," answered the latter.

"Oh, my good man, do you not know, that there are many, many verbs between this and Irkutsk?"

"I know it."

"And you are going on foot?"

"On foot."

"As for you, it's all right, but the miss?"

"She is my sister," said Michael Strogoff.

goff, who thought it more prudent to give this name again to Nadia.

"Yes, your sister, my good man. But, believe me, she will never be able to reach Irkutsk."

"Friend," replied Michael Strogoff as he drew near, "the Tartars have robbed us, and I have not a copeck to offer thee, but if you will take my sister near you I will follow the carriage on foot. I will run if it be necessary and will not delay you one hour."

"Brother," cried Nadia, "I do not wish it! I do not wish it! Sir, my brother is blind!"

"Blind?" said the young man in a voice moved with emotion.

"The Tartars have burned out his eyes," answered Nadia, stretching out her hands as though to implore pity.

"Darned your eyes? Oh, poor, dear man! I am going to Krasnoyarsk. Well, now, why do you not mount with your sister into the kibitka? In sitting a little closer we shall hold each other up. Besides, my dog will not refuse to go on foot. Only I do not go fast in order to spare my horse."

"Friend, what do they call you?" asked Michael Strogoff.

"I am called Nicholas Pigassoff."

"It is a name that I shall never forget," answered Michael Strogoff.

"Well, then, mount, my good blind man. Your sister shall be near you at the back of the car; I in front to conduct. There are some good hunch back and some barley straw on the bottom. It's like a nest. Come, Serko, give us room."

The dog jumped off without much asking. It was an animal of the Siberian breed, with a gray hide, medium size, with a good, large and caressing head, and which appeared to be very attached to his master.

Michael Strogoff and Nadia in an instant were installed in the kibitka. Michael Strogoff had stretched out his hands as though to search those of Nicholas Pigassoff.

"Is it my hands you wish to press?" said Nicholas. "Here they are, my good man. Shake them as much as you like."

The kibitka was soon in motion. The horse, which Nicholas never struck, ambled along. If Michael Strogoff did not gain much in rapidity, at least new fatigues would be spared to Nadia.

And such was the exhaustion of the young girl that, rocked by the monotonous motion of the kibitka, she soon fell into a sleep that resembled an utter prostration. Michael Strogoff and Nicholas as well as they were able. The compassionate young man was much moved, and if a tear did not escape the eyes of Michael Strogoff in truth it was because the red-hot iron had burned them dry.

"She is pretty," said Nicholas.

"Yes," answered Michael Strogoff. "These darlings would be strong for their age, but they are really only weak. Do you come a great distance?"

"From a great distance."

"Poor young folks! It must have hurt you much when they burned your eyes."

"Very much," said Michael Strogoff, turning as though he could see Nicholas.

"Did you not cry?"

"Yes."

"I also should have cried. To think that one can never see again those he loves! Anyhow they see you. That is perhaps some consolation."

"Yes, perhaps. Tell me, friend," demanded Michael Strogoff, "have you never seen me anywhere before today?"

"You, my good man? No, never."

"It is because the sound of your voice is not unknown to me."

"Do you see?" said Nicholas, smiling.

"He knows the sound of my voice. Perhaps you ask me this to learn whence I come. Oh, I am going to tell you. I am coming from Kalyvan."

"From Kalyvan?" said Michael Strogoff. "Well, then it is there that I met you. You were at the telegraph office?"

"That may be," answered Nicholas.

"I lived there. I was employed as telegraph operator."

"And you remained at your post to the last moment?"

"Eh! It is especially at that moment one ought to be there."

"It was the day when an Englishman and a Frenchman, rubies in their hands, disputed the turn at your wicket, and when the Englishman telegraphed the first verses of the Bible?"

"That, my good man, is possible. I do not remember it."

"What! You do not remember 'I never read the dispatches when I transmit. My duty being to forget them, the shortest way is to be ignorant of them.'"

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MISS BROWN'S FRIEND

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Dyspepsia is no respecter of persons. Old and young, rich and poor, suffer alike with this dreadfully painful and distressing disease. There are few men and women to-day who do not suffer more or less from Stomach Trouble in some form, and much of the woe of children is due to the very same cause.

Miss Maggie Brown, of Hamilton, Ontario, suffered for six years with Dyspepsia, which combined with fearfulness and nervousness, made her life one of much pain and misery.

The foremost physicians treated Miss Brown but were unable to do anything to relieve or cure her. They pronounced her case one of the very worst forms of Dyspepsia and absolutely incurable. She tried many medicines but without any benefit and she was constantly getting worse and worse till she had given up all hope of ever being anything but an invalid.

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Walkerville is about to lose an important industry. Last winter the plant was destroyed by fire and a settlement between the match company and the insurance company has not yet been effected. Some few months ago the debris of the old works was cleaned up and it was rumored that the company would rebuild immediately on the old site. Now it is given out on good authority that the company will shortly erect a factory in Essex. Inducements have, no doubt, been offered the company to move there—Tilbury Times.

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Mr. Jas. Ford, eldest son of Mr. Robt. Ford, Tilbury West, arrived in the township a few weeks ago. It is 25 years since he left home, and it is fully 13 years since he was last heard from. He lives at Silver Star, Montana.—Comber Herald.

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District Dashes

Miss Ella Rushton spent Sunday with Chatham friends.—Ridgetown Plaindealer.

Arnold Bros., of Maidstone, last week, sold a cow with a calf by her side, a year-old heifer and a two-year-old heifer to a gentleman from the Ottawa Valley for \$1,000.

The freight business has so increased on the Lake Erie railway to such an extent that a new freight train has been put on the road between Blenheim and St. Thomas.

Mrs. Elizabeth Clark, relict of the late John Clark, 4th concession, Howland, died on Friday last in the 59th year of her age. The funeral took place on Sunday to the Botany cemetery.

Mr. Cyrus Craig, of Ridley, has purchased the 100 acre farm of Mrs. Cyrus Bell, on Talbot street, paying \$1,500. He also sold fifty acres of his farm at Ridley to his brother, W. H. Craig.

In Bothwell last year there were only 15 marriages solemnized. During the same period there were 45 births and 15 deaths. The figures are alike in each instance, a curious circumstance.

The first publication of the bans of marriage between James Hogan, of the township of Chatham, and Mary Lamb, of Howard township, took place on Sunday in the R. C. church.—Ridgetown Standard.

William Kenny, for many years a respected resident of Chatham township, just east of Wallaceburg, passed away Jan. 6, after a long illness, in his 68th year. A grown up family and wife survive him.

The L. E. & D. R. R. management have moved the large steam shovel from the Mattice gravel pit to Blenheim. About 400 loads of gravel are being put on the Erie & Huron division near Wallaceburg.

Mr. Ralph Story, Cedar Springs, was the victim of a disagreeable accident last Thursday. He was engaged in building a new ice house, when a board slipped from the roof, and struck him in the side. He will soon be all right again.

A London girl has just wedded Mr. Nash. This seems to demonstrate that while it is quite true, according to the scriptures, that no man, by taking thought can add one cubit to his stature, a woman occasionally by taking thought can add an inch.

Justus Witherell, arrested in Detroit on Dec. 15, charged with stealing razors and knives from the store of A. Smith & Son, of Sombra, Ont., on Dec. 1st, was before Police Magistrate Gorman at Sarnia for preliminary hearing, and committed for trial.

A Masonic lodge of instruction will be held in Chatham on the 27th of January and another at Leamington about the 28th of February, at which Blenheim Lodge will exemplify the first degree, Comber lodge the second degree and Past D. D. G. M's the degree.

A very pretty wedding took place at six-thirty o'clock on the evening of Jan. 15, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Young, Harwich, when their daughter, Miss Dora, was united in marriage to Mr. Sydney E. Cooper. Miss Lena Young, of this place, is a sister of the bride.

The first regular handicap shoot of the Blenheim Gun Club for this season, was held at the Gun Club grounds yesterday. The score was as follows: W. E. Hall 30, B. Ramsden 17, Sam. Burke 12, Marshall Burke 16, Ed. Ramsden 11, Mont. Burk 12, Hiram Burke 3, A. Vester 13, M. Samson 10, A. Ramsden 10, Each shooter had 25 targets.

On his way home from the Mayor's banquet last Friday night, one of the newly elected councillors discovered a shop door open. Thinking that robbers had entered the building, he immediately hid himself to the power house in search of the night watchman. He arrived almost breathless, so great had been his haste, and together with the night officer, immediately set out to capture the supposed burglars. Armed with clubs they entered the building and with the aid of a lantern searched in every nook and corner, but no poor burglar was found. Fortunately for the councillor, the night watchman was present to verify the facts, or some of his friends might think that he had been drawing heavily on his imagination. The duties of public office with its consequent strain, is responsible for many peculiar things.—Blenheim Tribune.

PRINCE COMING

The Kaiser's Brother Will Visit Canada and View Niagara Falls.

Berlin, Jan. 17.—It is understood that Prince Henry's program in the United States will include a visit to Niagara Falls, and perhaps to other renowned sights. The launch of the new yacht will take place on Feb. 24. No decision has been announced regarding her name. It is not usual to make disclosures in such cases until the last minute.

The portion of the Emperor's table service, which will be taken on the Hohenzollern in the United States for Prince Henry's visit is valued at 420,000 marks. It includes 360 pieces of plate and their accessories, 116 small candelabra, and six large and six small epergnes.

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