

The Rival Clansmen :

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER V.

THE CATERANS OF BEN-A-SCHERU—CAMERON AND IAN FLOT MISCHEFF—FLORA ALONE WITH IAN.

A faint gleam of light which fell upon Hector's eye, issuing from some crevice far below him, gave him assurance, however, and with braced nerves he stepped forward.

"Carefully now," muttered Cameron, and on taking the first step downwards into the aperture our hero felt that he was on a stair leading down into some, to him as yet unknown, recess in the bowels of the earth.

Perhaps a strong desire to learn something of where Flora had been placed had a considerable deal to do with the determination which filled his breast as he descended the steps of the stair. Counting as he went down, he found that he had gone twenty-eight steps when he arrived at the bottom, and here he was immediately seized by the arm by some one from the front. In the darkness which enveloped them Hector could see nothing of his companion, who now led him cautiously forward towards the left. Our hero knew that his guide and himself were alone from the sound of the single footfall besides his own which accompanied him.

Presently the guide halted; there was a grating sound as of a lock being shot back, then a door opened, and Hector received a push forward. Then he heard the door slammed to, the sound of receding footsteps outside, and realized that he was—a prisoner.

A prisoner, and helpless. And, oh, heavens! what of Flora? She was now fairly in the power of her enemies, and he separated from her. The thought almost maddened him; and, as his pent-up indignation burst forth, he stamped his feet with anger and vexation, and then flung himself on the ground in a paroxysm of grief and mortification.

His soul was torn by the bitterest agony as he thought of the trials to which the poor girl must now be subjected. He almost blamed himself for having been the means of bringing her into so much trouble. And yet for that he could not well upbraid himself, for it had been the carrying out of her own desire. No; it was the quarrel with Ian McKenzie which had brought their misfortunes upon them; but he might meet with Ian yet on equal terms, and then he would repay him with full interest. But, after all, it was doubtful whether he might be ever able to meet McKenzie as he desired, for it was clear that Ian had had to do with his being brought to this place, and he believed it to be quite possible that he was brought here merely that an opportunity might be afforded of slipping him quietly out of the way.

But brave men have a greater difficulty in realizing real danger than weaker men have, and, although he could see no reasonable grounds for hoping that he would escape, still Hector could not look upon himself as absolutely a doomed man; and the thoughts that he might yet meet Ian McKenzie fairly, and punish him for the sorrow and trouble he had caused to Flora and himself, enabled him to contemplate the future with a small modicum of pleasure.

He was now determined that should an opportunity of escape present itself he would avail himself of it. Several times before, since he had been overcome by Cameron and McKenzie, he had been in positions that would have favoured such a project, but at that time he could not brook the idea of leaving Flora with her false friends. Now, however, he believed that he could more easily help her if he escaped than otherwise, and he would watch for a favourable opportunity with much anxiety.

After he had become more calm, however, and, although bound, turned his attention to the discovery of the construction of the place in which he was confined.

This was not ill to determine. The floor was of stone—of this he had satisfied himself before he had arisen. Then he paced along by the sides of the cell, and found that it was a small vault of about eight feet by nine or ten; square in form, but slightly concave at the side furthest from the door. Of the height of the building he could form no estimate; but, so far as he could discover, he was the only object within it. The walls were of solid rock.

His heart almost sank within him as he concluded his inspection, and learned the impeneable nature of his prison; but still hope did not altogether forsake him. Feeling weary and exhausted, he finally flung himself down in a corner, and was in a short time tossing about in a fitful feverish sleep, through which he would at times start violently, muttering "Fear not, Flora!" "They shall not be allowed to harm you, gentle girl!" "If Ian McKenzie and Donald Cameron would but meet me fairly!" and similar expressions, indicating the nature of the thoughts that distressed his mind even while he slept.

Eramosa Shooting Match.

The Eramosa rifle company had their annual shooting match on Friday, Oct. 17th, at R. Dryden's Hotel, on Mr. E. Parkinson's farm. The day was not as favorable as sportsmen might wish, and a very changeable gale was blowing across the range which may be judged by the following scores. The ranges fired at in the company's match were 200 and 400 yards, and the all comers match 300 and 400 yards.

COMPANY MATCH.	
	Points.
1. Prize, Co. medal, Capt. Kennedy.	25
2. Money prize, Corp. Scott.	25
3. Pte. Scarrow.	24
4. Corp. Tindall.	23
5. Sergt. Ald.	21
6. Johnson.	17
7. Pte. Mitchell.	15
8. Brown.	13
9. Corp. Smith.	9

ALL COMERS MATCH.	
	Points.
1. George Tindall, sen.	29
2. Irvin Scarrow.	28
3. John Crowe.	28
4. Henry G. Hingridge.	28
5. John Collingridge.	27
6. David McDonald.	27
7. James Scott.	27
8. Absalom McGregor.	25

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Guelph, Oct. 11, 1873 dw6m

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Any person returning the pocket book and contents, to John Haver, Guelph, Great Western Hotel, or to the owner, at Rockwood, will be handsomely rewarded.

ROBERT COULSON.

Nov. 15th, 1873.

W.E. LAW