

The Rival Glansmen

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XXII.

THE END OF TWO VILLAINS—THE WITCH OF BEN-LEAD REVEALS HER TRUE NAME AND CHARACTER—A STRANGE STORY.

By-and-bye the villains, fear now causing their limbs to shake as they saw that they were doomed men, and the pain from their wounds and the loss of blood rendering them feeble, dropped their weapons and yelled for mercy.

"There shall be no mercy for those who would grant none," replied the young Chief, pausing for a moment as the cravens crouched from him. "Up, cowards, and defend yourselves, or I shall run my weapon through you where you stand."

But during the conflict the combatants had shifted their position somewhat, and the Osterans were now between M'Leod and the door. This was quickly seen by one of them, who, suddenly making a dash towards it, cried to his companion, "This way, Donald; let us escape out of this place."

And almost as soon as he had spoken, the other darted after him—so quickly and so nimbly, in fact, that they had almost got fairly out before Hector was aware of their intention.

But like a lion springs at its prey did he dash after them out through the open doorway, and he saw them flying not more than two paces before him.

"Wretched cowards," he shouted as they, seeing him in pursuit, turned with loud exclamations of fear and dashed to the right. Hector turns, too, and speeds after. He is gaining on them at every step, and his weapon is raised to strike the nearest miscreant down. Suddenly, a rushing, roaring, booming sound strikes his ear; then a loud, piercing yell rises above it, and the foremost one seems to sink into the earth.

A step more and Hector brings down his weapon, which crushes through the skull of the villain upon which it falls, and staggering forward another pace, he too disappears.

Our hero, firmly planting his feet on the ground, checks himself upon the brink of a dark, deep yawning chasm, at the bottom of which the bodies of the two Catcrans of Ben-a-Chrui now lie bruised and broken—a sickening, jellied mass.

With a shudder of horror he draws back, for there is now something awful in the booming and roaring of the water as it dashes over the rock in the deep gorge beneath—perhaps carrying with it, or rushing over, the bodies of the men who but a minute or two ago, were full of strength and hope—the hope that they might be successful in the accomplishment of a hellish undertaking, but to prevent which it seemed as if Providence had interfered.

He wiped his claymore amongst the pure white snow, and returning it to his scabbard, approached the door of the hut. Here he found the old woman pacing excitedly backwards and forwards across the floor, muttering to herself in broken and disjointed accents.

When Hector entered she turned, and a smile shot across her face as she went towards him and warmly grasped his hand.

"Accept an old woman's thanks for a brave deed, my son," she said. "I know not how it has ended, but I judge that M'Leod would not have returned with his sword sheathed unless he had done his work well."

The Ontario Legislature.

March 16. The House went into Committee to make certain verbal amendments in the Liquor Bill previous to the third reading.

The Sales for Taxes Bill was read a second time, and the Bill respecting aid to gaol alterations passed through Committee.

At the afternoon sitting, after Private Bill business,

The Attorney-General moved the second reading of the Judiciary Bill. He explained that the Dominion Government would have to appoint and pay the Judges, and therefore it became them to take care not to propose a larger number than was necessary to the efficient administration of justice. He spoke at considerable length on the provisions of the Bill.

Mr. Hodgins thought the Bill was in the right direction. There could be no question as to the necessity for an increase in the judiciary, especially in regard to the Courts of Common Law.

Mr. Cameron strongly deprecated the introduction of such a measure at so late a period.

Mr. Merrick moved the three months' hoist, on the ground of the lateness of the introduction of the Bill.

Mr. Cameron supported the amendment.

The Attorney-General having replied, and explained the causes of the delay in the introduction of the Bill, was followed by

Mr. Boulbee, who moved, instead of the three months' hoist, to add to the motion for the second reading words expressing regret that the measure had been delayed to so late in the session.

The discussion was continued for some time; ultimately Mr. Boulbee's motion was put and defeated by—Yeas, 20; Nays, 38.

Mr. Merrick's motion to give the Bill the three months' hoist was put and lost by—Yeas, 8; Nays, 50.

Mr. Cumberland then moved a resolution to submit the Bill for the consideration of the judges. A discussion ensued, ending in a division which resulted in the motion being defeated by—Yeas, 10; Nays, 50.

Mr. Fraser then moved the previous question. After some debate the motion that the question be now put was then divided upon, and carried by—Yeas, 36; Nays, 19.

The Bill was then carried without a division.

The House adjourned at 12:35 o'clock a.m.

Cuffy said he'd rather die in a railroad smash-up than in a steamboat bust-up, for this reason: "If you gets run off, and smashed up, dere you is! but if you gets blowed up on de boat, whar is you?"

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