

The Rival Clansmen:
A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER IV.
HECTOR AND FLORA PRISONERS—THE WITCH OF BEN LAIR—A DARK PROSPECT.
"It would be conduct befitting the name you bear to do so," retorted Hector, scornfully, his face tremulous with indignation at the baseness of his foes. Stiffening his rage with a strong effort, Cameron appeared to be calm.
"Young man," he said, "I see that a conversation with you might lead to dangerous results. I counsel you, M'Kenzie, to avoid him. What my intentions are he shall learn shortly.
"And so you are afraid to measure swords with me? I thought as much," exclaimed Hector. But," he continued, "I have something else to ask of you—Are you to allow me to proceed on my journey accompanied by this young lady who is under my charge?"
Cameron took a step in the direction of our hero, his frame shaking with excitement and his hand clenched as if to strike, but he suddenly restrained himself, and cried—
"Hector M'Leod, as you told me to-day, I now repeat to you—There are words which I may not tolerate. Now, there has been enough said; my answer is 'No.'"
Turning he seized Ian by the arm, and half dragged him into the next room.
Hector indeed felt that it almost foolhardy to have taunted his two captors as he had done. With them only to combat against, he did not doubt the result, and he had at first thought that the honour of the others might have permitted him to go forth free had he succeeded in overcoming them; but a second consideration told him that had he but wounded Ian M'Kenzie or Cameron the others of the clansmen would at once have attacked him, and then there would have been an end to his chance of escape.
When Ian and Cameron returned from the other room it was beginning to turn dark. They told the others to prepare for a journey, and in a short time after the party was again on its way down the glen—Hector this time being borne between the two Highlanders, and Flora walking in front of her uncle and Ian, who brought up the rear.
When they had arrived—not without some difficulty—at the foot of the glen, they turned to their right and held westward along by the northern shore of Loch Maree. Of the meaning of this journey and of their destination neither of our friends could form any conjecture.
When they had left the hut the shades of night had been following upon the footsteps of the receding day; and after they had walked for nearly an hour, the pale moon began to show herself over the top of Ben Eay, and to shed a soft and subdued light around. Everything was now hushed and still. Only a slight rustle as of silk was to be heard issuing from amongst the dark firs, indicating that the zephyrs still hovered amongst the treetops, though when wafted gently across the lake their force was not sufficient to raise a ripple on the surface of that placid sheet of water.
The lofty, silent hills—on the one side dark, dismal, and gloomy, and on the other pale by the majestic orb of night—in their curious and fantastic shapes, looked like huge spectres of the night, producing an awe-inspiring effect, and filling the breast with strange emotions. Nor were these hills at all times speechless, although a serene quiet reigned around; for ever and anon as the party moved forward, the sharp cry of some roused waterfowl would break upon the stillness of the night, raising a hundred echoes from the mountains and glens—each sounding like a living and inspired voice.
The road by the side of the loch was less difficult to follow than the one down the glen, and the party moved forward with greater celerity, although from the nature of the ground the walk was very fatiguing. The grass which lined and in some places covered the path was long and rank, and interspersed with large ferns and thistles.
Now it would lead through a clump of trees, and anon through a soft morass—the path in one case being obstructed by spreading and thick underwood, and in the other by oozy slimy pools of water, into which they sometimes deeply sank. They were just emerging from a thicket of trees, through which the pathway ran, into an open glade, when a strange, tall, weird figure suddenly appeared like an apparition before them. It moved forward from the thicket on the right with a mysteriously majestic, gliding movement, until it had reached within a few feet of the party, then it halted and silently confronted them.
S. & L. H. R.—A large and influential meeting in the interests of the Stratford and Lake Huron Railway was held in Clifford, on Thursday evening. The route unanimously adopted was from Stratford, via Listowel, Clifford, Newmarket, Hanover, Chesley, Invermay, or Tara, Alton to Warton or Colpey's Bay, with connection to Owen Sound from Invermay. About 50 delegates were present, representing nearly every municipality on the proposed route.
FLOUR INSPECTION.—The Hon. John Young has issued a circular to the flour trade containing the certificates he has received from the examiners unanimously. Mr. Y. L. Labelle having added his after Mr. McDougall consented to give one to Mr. Hutchison, and stating that, in accordance with the request of many of the large receivers of flour, he has determined to keep his office open not as Inspector but as Examiner. A committee of merchants have selected the samples, which are the same as those chosen by Dominion Board of Examiners. Mr. Young retains all the old staff of skilled men with the exception of Mr. Hutchison, in place of whom he has secured Mr. J. Binette, and hopes that the high reputation which his brands have acquired will not in any way be lessened by the brand being "Examiner" instead of "Inspector."
—Witness.

A NEW CEREAL.—A new cereal has been grown in Oregon. From seven to ten stalks grow from one root to a height of about four feet, and these stalks or straws, are thin and hard. The radials are tough and spread widely. The heads are six inches in length and covered with a heavy beard, each filament being five inches long. The grain is double the length of a kernel of wheat, and instead of being firm and compact is hollow, the cavity containing glutinous matter. While the grain bears a closer resemblance to wheat than anything else, the straw looks more like that of rye or barley. Its origin is somewhat peculiar, the first grain having been taken from the stomach of a wild goose, by a farmer in Tillamook county nearly three years ago. He was struck with its appearance and planted it, and the succeeding season reaped the product. He distributed a portion of the second crop among a few friends in different parts of the States, who this year raised small quantities. It will require another year to determine the value of the grain.

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