Guelph Evening Mercury

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The Foster Brother;

—OR—

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XXVI.

UNDERGROUND—AN URGENT SUMMONS—A MYSTERY.

The important letter which was to apprise them of this ought to have been at the cottage at least an hour before noon, but unfortunately its bearer, Jamie Welsh, the most faithful of letter-carriers, was not the most speedy. How he managed to loiter most of the day in his journey was never sufficiently explained, but certain it is that he did not make his appearance in Matthew Greigson's kitchen till dusk, by which time Matthew had returned from the sad work of the day, and he and Ailie were sitting by the fire, full of mourning and sorrow, when Jamie came shambling in with that simple smile on his face which he always wore, and which sufficiently betrayed his mental deficiency.

The inmates of the cottage, supposing that he was on one of his usual wandering tours through the country, and had looked in for refreshment, received him their usual kindly way, and Ailie hastened to set before him a substantial supply of milk and scones. The sight of his food was sufficient to engross all Jamie's attention and forthwith he set himself to the work of mastication with an earnestness which admitted of no diversion of his feeble mind.

"Been far the day?" asked Matthew, in a listless way, for he was in no mood for talking, as he was in the habit of doing to Jamie, and spoke now only because he thought Jamie was growing sulky at his silence.

And so, in truth, he was, for nothing offended the half-witted fellow more than to refrain from speaking to him.

"Maybe I hae," he replied drily.

"Are ye gaun west or east the night?"

"Ay am I; either the ane or the ither, but I ken best mysel'."

"That's very true, Jamie."

"There's aething, at ony rate," went on the simpleton, "Iwadna hae been here the nicht had it no been tae sair you."

"Tae sair me, Jamie—in what way?"

"Hoo can I tell? But it maun be worth something or I wadna hae gotten sic a bonny white penny for comin'." Aha! see here it's, lad; its no every day ye see a penny like that."

Saying which, Jamie dived his finger and thumb into his vest pocket, and extracted a bright new half-crown, which he exhibited in triumph.

"But you don't say, Jamie, that you got that for comin' here the nicht?" said Matthew, whose curiosity began to be aroused.

"Div I no? Aha, but he ken nae better. Puir silly folk like you never ken naething. It tak's me tae keep ye a' right. Noo, I'll wager ye'll no guess wha gied me the big white penny."

"Weel, no; I really canna."

"See that—hoo feckless ye are. And I'll wager ye'll no ken what it was for."

"That's true tae Jamie. I canna even gues."

"Hech, sirs, but ye are far ahint," returned Jamie, bestowing a look of unmitigated pity on Matthew, in commiseration of his ignorance. "But," he added, complacently, "it's a guid thing there's ae wise man in the parish."

"There nae doot o' that, Jamie. The country side wad dae ill wantin' you. And noo, my man, are ye gaunna tell me wha gied ye the siller for comin' here?"

"Hoo can I tell ye what I dinna ken? Speir a sensible question, and I'se answer it. Speir, gin ye like, what he gied me it for."

"Ye tell'ed me that already, man; it was for comin' here."

"Gosh, but I didna say what wi'."

"Was it a message of any kind?"

"Was't no?"

"And what was the message, Jamie?"

"Oo, ye'll sune see that," responded the other, as he removed his greasy cap and took from thence first his pocket handkerchief, and the letter, which he had carefully deposited within the lining.

"A letter!" exclaimed Matthew. "Who can it be from? Hand me my spectacles, Ailie."

Matthew recieved so few letters now-a-days that the arrival of this one, and by such a messenger, caused some little wonder both to Ailie and himself. She therefore stirred up the fire to give light by which it might be read, while Matthew with his pruning knife cut the envelope open. Before doing this he deliberately examined the address, but the plain and beautiful handwriting was strange to him, and that helped him in noway to a knowledge of the sender.

His operations were closely watched by Jamie, and when from the inside of the envelope Matthew pulled forth the folded pieces of paper, he loudly exclaimed—

"Twa letters in ane; that's no fair; that's cheatin'! I sud hae gotten twa white pennies."

Neither of the two enclosures being sealed Matthew opened the first, and no sooner had he done so than he leapt from his chair with a loud joyous cry—

"Oh, Ailie, he's safe yet!" he exclaimed. "This is frae him tae Maister Harry. Oh, but we hae been mista'en, clean mista'en, after a'."

"Heaven grant it, Matthew," gasped Ailie; "is the letter frae Maister G——?"

"Whisht; no a word. It's a secret, and maunna be breathed. He says sae here. Oh, but I maun awa' in search o' Maister Harry. He canna learn the joyfu' tidin's owre sune."

"But, Matthew," cried Ailie in the utmost excitement, "where is he? and what has he no come—?"

"Whisht, Ailie, I tell ye no a word enoo. I'll tell ye a' aboot it when I come back."

And, as he spoke, Matthew rushed to a corner where lay his stick and bonnet, and, seizing them, rushed from the house at the top of his speed.

"Puir creature, he's daft," said Jamie, gazing afier him. "Ye sud see tae him, mistress; he is no fit tae gaug at large.

But to this sagacious remark Ailie paid no heed, her state of happiness and excitement being nearly as great as that of her husband.

"Losh me, if they arena baith daft," said Jamie, as he shambled to the door and made his exit from the cottage. "I dinna ken what this parish is comin' tae. I'll sune be the only wise man in it; and hoo am I tae haud them a' richt I watna."

Meanwhile Matthew, at a speed greatly beyond what his years warranted, ascended the ravine, and struck through the fields, intending to cross the park and go to the mansion in search of Harry. But he had not to go so far. He met him near the extremity of the park, and fresh from the presence of his father and Nathan [illegible]ett. Harry's joy on receiving the tidings cannot be described. He could not at first believe it, so convinced was he

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Ever seen in Guelph, which for quality and price cannot be equalled in the Dominion.

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No. 2.
30 gross Dome Black Lead.
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5 brls, 35 doz. pints Porter,
50 cases (red) Hollands Gin,
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50 cases (blue) do do
10 cases Mounie Brandy.
No. 4.
2 cases, 448lbs. Scotch Ling,
5 kegs Green Grapes.
No. 5.
5 hhds Cuba Sugar,
No. 6.
50 bushels Dried Apples.
No. 7.
50 half barrels Labrador Herrings,
5 cases Preserved Salmon,
5 cases Preserved Lobster.
No. 8.
2 butts Best American Natural Leaf Tobacco.
No. 9.
10 boxes Maccaroni,
10 boxes Vermicelli,
2 cases Magniums Champagne,
1 case Dominion of Canada Cigars,
1 case Bahia Cigars,
1 case Manilla Cheroots,
10 cases Old Tom Gin,
10 cases Ginger Wines,
13 barrels Batty's Pickles,
1 case Ball Blue.
No. 10.
200 bags Coarse Salt.
No. 11.
75 quarter boxes Layer Raisins,
50 boxes Malaga Figs,
50 boxes Pulled Figs,
10 boxes Castile Soap,
5 bags white S S Almonds,
5 boxes Jordan Almonds,
1 case Cassia,
2 barrels Pickled Onions.
No. 12.
12 doz. Best Essence Lemon,
6 doz. Ratifia,
6 doz. Vanilla,
12 doz. Hair Oil,
56 lbs. Cream Tartar,
10 cases Cook's Friend Baking Powder,
50 boxes T D Pipes.
No. 13.
20 caddies Japan Pekoe Tea,
25 caddies McDonald's 8's Chewing Tobacco
10 kegs, 1000 lbs, Seedless Raisins,
20 boxes, 400 lbs, Sultana Raisins,
50 boxes Candied Peel.
No. 14.
50 bbls yellow refined sugar.
50 " " No. 2 "
25 " Broken Loaf "
5 " Extra Ground, for icing.

INVOICE

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20 bbls Ground Sugar, for table.
5 " New York Cut Loaf Sugar.
2 hhds. West India Molasses.
10 bbls New York Silver-Drip Syrup.
10 " " " Amber "
10 " " " Honey "
No. 15.
500 ¼ bxs Valencia Raisins.
1000 ¼ " " "
100 " Layer "
25 " Black Crown Dissex.
10 " Dehesa.
2 Cases, 300 bxs Eleme Figs.
50 bbls New Currants.
10 kegs new Prunes.
5 cases new Sardines.
2 " clean Wax Candles.
No. 16.
200 lbs strained Honey.
50 lbs Beeswax.
No. 17.
50 bxs assorted Biscuits.
2 brls Mixed Sweets.
2 " Conversation Lozenges.
No. 18.
10 bbls bottled Cooper.
10 cases London Stout.
10 " Dublin Porter.
10 " Allsopp's Ale.
10 " Bass Ale.
No. 19.
Crosse & Blackwell's Goods.
2 brls Capt. White's Oriental Pickles.
2 " Imperial West India "
10 " Mixed Pickles.
1 " Chow Chow.
1 " Picallili.
1 " Gherkins.
1 " Curry Powder.
1 " Preserved Ginger.
2 cases Jams.
2 " Marmalade.
No. 20.
1 ¼ cask Irish Whiskey.
Cases " "
5 cases Peaches.
5 " Cove Oysters.
15 " ground White Pepper.
No. 21.
1 brl Lea & Perrins Worcestershire Sauce
1 Mushroom Catsup.
1 French Capers.
No. 22.
25 sets Carpet Balls,
2 doz. Jelly and Pudding Moulds.
12 " Lip Bowls.
100 plain and cut Goblets.
12 Breakfast Sets.
50 white and gold China Tea Sets.
12 assorted Dinner Sets.
25 Fancy Toilet Sets.
100 Plain White Toilet Sets.
100 white granite Tea Sets.
50 fancy pattern "
25 sets Fancy Water Jugs.

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Guelph, Nov. 20, 1872 w2td6t

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