

ANNABEL

THE TEMPTATION.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE TERRIBLE REVELATION. "Dart you, what are you doing there, a-frightening a body in that manner?" she angrily exclaimed.

"I beg your pardon," answered Annabel. "I did not mean to startle you. I have been for a minute or two trying to open the door. Was it fastened on the outside?"

"In course it was fastened. What did you want to open it for?" "To come out. I find it is very late and was coming in search of Dick to hasten our departure."

"Oh, was you, indeed?" returned Moll with a grin. "Better go back upstairs and eat your breakfast, and Dick will come up and see you. I declare I got such a flurry at sight of you the things nearly all fell and broke—not that I'm one of your easily scared people, mind, but this is such a silent, ghost of a place that my nerves ain't got rightly into its ways yet; and when I see you standing all of a sudden within the door, I thought as how it was something not of this world. There, up you go again, Miss, and let me come with your breakfast."

Annabel was so much stunned by the whole proceeding—by the discovery that she had been fastened in, by the angry and even insolent tone of the woman—that she turned and went back to the chamber without saying another word. More; she had concluded not to speak to the woman again, her tone and manner being so rude, even arrogant. Dick himself had during the journey become unpleasantly disrespectful; but she was specially connected with him for the present, and required to bear with him till they reached Rockstone. With the woman it was different, and towards her she resolved to show a dignified silence, merely calling to Moll as she was quitting the room, after depositing the breakfast on the table—

"Be good enough to tell Dick to come and speak to me." "I don't require to tell him, for he means it already," was the ungracious answer, flung over Moll's shoulder as she descended the stair.

Annabel sat motionless, listening to the retreating steps, listening specially to the closing of the door at the foot of the stair. And she distinctly heard the passage of the bolt, and knew that a barrier was again placed between her and the lower portion of the building.

Conjecture as to the meaning of all this being fruitless, Annabel ceased to attempt it, and turned her attention to the provisions which had been brought. These were plain, but good and fresh, and under the idea that they might travel, perhaps, the greater part of the day, she tried to eat more than natural inclination prompted.

She did not linger over the meal, and sat anxiously waiting the coming of Dick, the feeling being impressed on her that the time had arrived when an explanation of all that was puzzling her was to be made.

Oh, if she could only have dreamed what a dreadful, what a horrible revelation would be brought to her by the explanation she sought, how content she would have been to remain in that puzzled perplexity which was now annoying her.

Dick did not come just immediately. In fact nearly an hour elapsed ere a very heavy footstep sounded through the empty building, and apparently on its way to her chamber. She listened to it with consternation, for it was a step far heavier than Dick's, and portended a visitor of a rough description.

She heard it in the corridor below, drawing near the door at the foot of the stair. It paused there, the bolt was drawn, the door opened, and up it came, her terror increasing at every step it took, while with distended eyes she sat gazing at the door, her face betraying the most intense apprehension.

Her terror culminated in a half-suppressed scream at sight of the figure which appeared within the doorway.—There stood a broad, thick-set man, dressed in dark velvet trousers, a short, heavy greatcoat buttoned over his chest, a woollen muffler round his short neck, and a fur cap covering his round bullet head and falling in flaps over his ears.

It was a sight sufficient of itself to inspire Annabel with terror, for the man was the very picture of ferocity and ruffianism. For the first few moments she deemed he was a stranger to her, but as her gaze, fascinated by terror, was riveted on his face, she gradually came to see that it was a face she ought to know, and a further scrutiny enabled her to recognize Dick himself.

Yes, Dick—undoubtedly it was Dick; but how changed in appearance, and changed for the worse. That dress—albeit it suited his face and figure only too well, altered him into an object naturally repulsive and suggestive of the worst of characters. But what was there further in his aspect that fascinated Annabel's gaze and intensified her terror? Surely she had seen some person who looked as Dick looked now, and in circumstances full of fearful remembrance. Where, where could it be? Her memory struggled to recall it. Back, back she went over the past in her effort to reach the truth. Then in a moment and with a flash it came upon her.

The man she saw before her was the garrulous in Woolman's Lane.

Eramosa Township Council. The Council met at the Centre Inn, on Friday the 22nd inst.; all members present, the Reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed. Three dollars were granted to J. B. Allan for the support of Elizabeth Cross' child.—The Clerk was instructed to procure three tape lines, for use of road committees. John Wood and David Rea, sr., were ordered to be furnished with road scrapers for their respective divisions. The Clerk was directed to procure 6 copies of Harrison's new Municipal Manual. The Road Committees presented their reports and the Council went into Committee of the Whole, the Reeve in the chair, and after much consideration the reports were received and adopted, and it was further resolved to petition the County Council at its next meeting for a grant to improve the road allowance between 1st and 2nd concessions, from Guelph and Rockwood Road towards the village of Eden, and for the construction of a new bridge over the River Speed on the second line, and another across the creek on lot 20, on the seventh line. After some other routine business, the Council adjourned, to meet at the Centre Inn on first Monday in August next. J. A. DAVISON, Clerk.

A little boy three years of age was nearly poisoned in Hamilton on Saturday. The serious portion of the incident is that the parents say a neighbor threatened that the child would be poisoned as a nuisance. St. Catharines Town Councilors are cheered and hissed by the spectators who gather to hear them "orate."

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Price by mail, post-paid, \$2.00 The Junior Ball, " " " 1.00 The Practice Ball, " " " 0.75 Best White Ash Bats \$3 to \$2 inches, .30 36 inch bats, " " " " " 2.00 Light bats for children, " " " " " 1.00 40 sets of Field Croquet on hand. Price sent on application. Orders for Base Balls by mail, filled same day as received. AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

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