

HOLIDAY ADVERTISEMENTS.

DRY GOODS CHEAP.

If you want a bargain in Dry Goods don't fail to examine A. J. LOGGIE & CO.'s stock, for we are now offering goods cheaper than we have ever yet sold them.

- BLACK & COLOURED DRESS GOODS, TWEEDS, FLANNELS, COTTONS, SHAWLS & SACQUES, FUR CAPS and sets of FURS, cleared out exceedingly low, Ladies and Gents GLOVES & MITTS—lined and unlined, Ladies and Gents HOSIERY, HATS, GALON TRIMMINGS & SEQUIN BUTTONS, FRINGES, CORDS, BRAIDS & BUTTONS, CURTAIN REPP, COMFORTS, BLANKETS, RAILWAY WRAP PAPER, A large stock of SHEETS, DRAWERS, LINDERS, WORSTED COATINGS, Scotch & Canadian TWEEDS and HORNSPUNS, MEN'S JACKETS & ULSTERS.

CHRISTMAS!

To enable all who shall require Ornamental, Useful and Serviceable PRESENTS for the HOLIDAY SEASON, I shall, UNTIL THE 5TH DAY OF JAN'Y, 1878, place the whole of my STOCK of STAPLE AND FANCY GOODS before my Customers and the Public, at a very large reduction, FOR CASH.

Special Line of Ladies' and Children's FINE HATS—40c, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00, 10.50, 11.00, 11.50, 12.00, 12.50, 13.00, 13.50, 14.00, 14.50, 15.00, 15.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17.00, 17.50, 18.00, 18.50, 19.00, 19.50, 20.00, 20.50, 21.00, 21.50, 22.00, 22.50, 23.00, 23.50, 24.00, 24.50, 25.00, 25.50, 26.00, 26.50, 27.00, 27.50, 28.00, 28.50, 29.00, 29.50, 30.00, 30.50, 31.00, 31.50, 32.00, 32.50, 33.00, 33.50, 34.00, 34.50, 35.00, 35.50, 36.00, 36.50, 37.00, 37.50, 38.00, 38.50, 39.00, 39.50, 40.00, 40.50, 41.00, 41.50, 42.00, 42.50, 43.00, 43.50, 44.00, 44.50, 45.00, 45.50, 46.00, 46.50, 47.00, 47.50, 48.00, 48.50, 49.00, 49.50, 50.00, 50.50, 51.00, 51.50, 52.00, 52.50, 53.00, 53.50, 54.00, 54.50, 55.00, 55.50, 56.00, 56.50, 57.00, 57.50, 58.00, 58.50, 59.00, 59.50, 60.00, 60.50, 61.00, 61.50, 62.00, 62.50, 63.00, 63.50, 64.00, 64.50, 65.00, 65.50, 66.00, 66.50, 67.00, 67.50, 68.00, 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PHIL MULLOY'S WAKE AND FUNERAL.

A VALE FORGOTTEN BY—By George F. Forbes, Kouchibouctou.

CHAPTER III.—Continued.

The fun grew so uproarious that the greater portion of the females left. The girl who was seen here by a sober partner had good reason to feel proud. Some of the drinkers were not so far gone as to allow the ladies to go off alone in the darkness, but the greater number would not care for sweethearts, mothers or sisters. Somewhere in the "wee man hours" a free fight struck up and every one pummelled the one who happened to be nearest to him with the utmost unconcern and singleness of purpose.

CHAPTER IV.

SHOWS HOW JERRY AND HIS FRIENDS SPENT CHRISTMAS AND THE TWO FOLLOWING DAYS, AND ILLUSTRATES THE SATISFACING THAT A MERRY LIFE IS OFTEN A SHORT ONE—DEATH OF PHIL.

The funeral is over, and Phil walks forth in the world to seek a new home. His old employer would have wished him to stay, for they had at least one bond in common—the love of and for the dear girl that was gone; he, however, found the surroundings and remembrances of too painful a character. The last shilling of his wages and savings has been scrupulously laid down, and much sage and fatherly advice thrown in. He looks at least ten years older; his face bears a settled sadness and his eyes are unsettled and wild. The independent, manly feeling is gone. He seems afraid to look any one in the face, and if he does, his glance is stately and instantaneously withdrawn. Where will he go? He doesn't care now; he may as well spend a few days at the bridge as anywhere, and leave his savings in the hands of the faithful and kindly Jerry. He is heartily welcomed by all the old friends and, with much consideration, none attempt to lead him in the way of dissipation. The last scene in the chamber of death has been told in hundreds of different ways. Many are struck with profound awe, and look on him as one having received a message from the other world. His proposal to make Jerry his banker, is taken up by the latter with much complacency. There is now doubt in his mind as to what will eventually overtake him. His transfer to his offers is only a question of time. The landlord's experience in such matters is certainly extensive, and entitled to our consideration. Lately Phil had begun to spend pretty freely; at last half of his wages having passed to Jerry's till. Why should not the other half follow? While in this view of things he feels like an injured man, like one defrauded of his just right. "I'll have every half-penny of it," he says, "clapping his thigh, and he may depend that he'll have no one returned to make his words good."

He is soon disgusted with "the bridge" and all its surroundings. The thought of taking a piece of land for nothing was more distasteful to him than ever. After vainly trying to rouse him, his old "chums" have left him severely alone. Kelly's message to return is disregarded; there are too many painful recollections connected with the place. Eventually, he has chosen a large farm six miles down the river and betakes himself to his duties with commendable diligence. There is nothing like healthy labour for a "mind diseased." Though address and sobriety he begins to take some interest in life. If not, as in old times, at the head of all jollity, he can yet appreciate and encourage harmless fun and amusement in others, but for more than a year no special gathering was honoured with his presence. During this time he has visited Jerry some three or four times, having passed on Sunday, coming and staying early. He is not unduly proud to stay or call again as the landlord can hide his eyes in his possession. His old friends now take him in hand. He has mourned long enough for the dead, in all conscience, and should pay some attention to the wishes of the living. There is to be a "time" at Jerry's to-night and he must come. "No," Tut man, we can't after you and you'll have to come, they laugh good-naturedly. Phil gave in with a good grace, was popular as ever, speedily falling into his old habits again. He even exceeded his old attractions, entering into the spirit of the amusements with a certain light gaiety and recklessness which gave him the house to himself when he chose to entertain the company. His dancing never was so faultless nor his songs so full of fire and pathos. Under the influence of whiskey and good fellowship he developed a talent for squibs and stories for which he had not been given credit. He had been indulging freely in Jerry's liquors continually but, thanks to a good constitution he pretty well recovered his health, while his wounds are nearly healed. The knowledge of his affianced wife's state bothers him in a moment and he is soon seated in the room beside her father. He is doubly glad of a recital of her sufferings which is unmingled on the part of the family with a word of reproach. On entering the room he is appalled by the change which has taken place in the appearance of the blooming girl during eight short days. All the plump outlines, so pleasing to the eye are gone. Every feature is painfully prominent and the mouth drawn as if hopeless agony of mind rather than bodily pain was wearing the young life out. But it was the eyes that told the fearful story of mental anguish. At one moment they lighted up and became radiant as they recognized some person in the far background. It was the object of her thoughts, him whom she valued above her life. She calls him in the most endearing tones but he will not hearken, the light dies out of the glittering orbs. In hopeless despondency she falls back a heartrending picture of despair and utter prostration.

When he can portray the distress of Phil. He cannot connect the likeness of Kathleen with his own wrongdoing. He is flattered himself that it was brought on natural causes the raving in the next room will speedily undeceive him. Hear! as she starts up suddenly, how she entreats them not to take the life of an innocent man: how she enlarges on his manifold virtues as a claim to consideration, and in any case that they will spare him for her sake. Again she is by his side; he is saved,

and she prattles to him in all the endearing language of innocent love. They will never part again, they—when she falls back in peaceful slumber. At the end of an hour she wakes calm and rational. Her first enquiry is for Phil. As he enters, her face is radiant. They are left alone. What passed between them will never be known. For a while, the murmurs of conversation are heard by those in the next room; then all is hushed. Entering, they find her head pillowed on his breast. Her face calm and peaceful as that of an infant, is illumined with a smile—and she is dead.

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husbanding his resources for the present occasion. Of course there is no work for that day. Arm in arm they return to Jerry's, picking up Regan and Dan McKinnon, a well-to-do farmer, by the way. They are met with outstretched arms. "What kept you away so long from my friends my darlin' fellow," said Jerry; "McKinnon's darlin' ye see, and Regan has got to think again that he can't beat all creation dancin'." Ye'll soon undeceive him though."

"Missis, come out here and see the darlin' boy," shouts "Jerry through the hall door. How kind she is; how friendly. She hopes he'll never go away again, but make up his mind to stay with them always. As in duty bound, Phil is profuse in his thanks bestowing good honest love, that it is all sincere. In the evening all the jovial spirit gathered to Jerry's. They are determined to make a night of it, and they do. "Treat" after "treat" is disposed of during the entire night. In the morning they fall off to sleep; the most of them when they sit. The room is shut and locked, that they may not be disturbed. Each of them has plenty of money and a rich claim, to use mining parlance, if properly worked. Christmas night is a repetition of the previous one only more wild. There was no fighting, but the landlord's presence was frequently needed to subdue the uproarious mirth or heated discussion. This is continued for two days more in the cosy, back, private room. This location secures many advantages. They are sacred from the intrusion of unsympathetic outsiders. However much they may suspect, interested parties will not know that they are in search of are within a mile of the place, unless they should inopportunely make too much noise and, in that case, have only themselves to blame if caught. The little which they eat is slipped in quietly, while, as for drinks, they could soak in it. The party are becoming worn out and liquor begins to pall on their taste. They cannot be kept much longer and it is a pity some they have not plenty of money. Fertility of invention does much to solve the intricate problems of life. Mrs. Jerry is ordered to get up spiced milk punch and egg nog without stint which she does immediately.

"As the boys," says Jerry entering with a gleaming bowl, "here's a drink to fit for the gods. Sit down an' drink it an' this you can have as soon as ye like; I think ye'll find it to your taste all of yes."

"Phil darlin' take some of the egg nog; ye used to be mighty fond of eggs any way. Here's yer healths all my boys" and by way of encouragement he duly honoured his own liquor. "All are soon in high good humour. There is no questioning the potency of the landlady's deceptions. While stimulating them, the eggs and milk have a soothing effect. Everything goes merry as a marriage bell. The cards circulate freely with the boys and some of the stories fill up the gaps between the drinks. An impetuous friend or two is introduced that they may help to swell the bill and pass a good time. It will help to gain him their regard and put them under an obligation which will be repaid in kind some day. Phil tells some of his driest stories in his best style and finishes by performing a rattling jig. McKinnon details some strange adventures which would require strong faith in his veracity to give credence to, while there is no lack of those who are ready to follow suit. However, preposterous the finale may be, it is cheered to the hilt and is honoured by a passage of the bottle or bowl as the case may be. Everything would seem to indicate a "night of it." Jerry is in ecstasy. All are fast losing control of themselves and the night it is plain to be seen will end only in a prolonged debauch. Everybody talks and nobody listens, while Jerry jugs his hands gleefully anticipating the remorse of a rational party as good as within his till and he was not disappointed. To McKinnon's wife he denies that "Den" is there, and the man for whom Jerry worked is coolly told that he has started home "about" an hour ago. Valuable hands who earn much money, of course, and for whom the foreman is looking, are not to be found. This appears somewhat curious to the latter till he gets used to Jerry's pleasant ways, inasmuch as he was assured not ten minutes before that they were seen coasting seated at the blazing hearth of the seductive inn. "Bless me son!" said the unblinking Landlord, "I haven't seen them since the three days ago. A man could not be seen when he did not want to, was one of the strong points of this snug retreat."

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It is evident that Phil is developing a strong love of the bottle. The four inseparables have no reason to complain, now on account of his absence. Too often his stay is prolonged through the next and sometimes two or three succeeding young days. Jerry's calculations have been fully realized. He can now claim the undisturbed ownership of Phil's savings, and his present earnings are fast going the same way. Still the old pride clings to him. When his money is gone, no earthly inducement can pass him on the road will invariably turn around, that he may have a second inspection of his person and will wonder who the fine looking man is and where he came from.

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