The DOOM TRAIL

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STORY FROM THE START

Harry Ormerod, proscribed traitor to the British crown as a Stuart partisan, returning from France to London without friends or prospects, rescues Alfriends or prospects, rescues Aiderman Robert Juggins from assasins who had waylaid him. The arrival of the watch puts an end to the affair, and Harry tells his new acquaintance of his former activities as a soldier in the service of the Stuarts and later an official set he "court" of the an official at the "court" of the so-called King James the Third.

CHAPTER I-Continued

I had forgotten my surroundings, forgotten the dingy cobbles of Mincing lane, forgotten the strange circumstances under which I had met this strange person who seemed so intimately versed in my family history. I lived over again the brave days at Foxcroft when Charles had been master and I his lieutenant. But the moment passed, the memories faded, and my eyes saw again the drab buildings of the alley and the odd figure of my

deliverer-whom I had first delivered. "And you, sir," I said. "May I ask how it happens you know so much concerning the fortunes of a plain Dorset family?"

He seemed not to hear me, standing there in a brown study, and I spoke to him again sharply.

"Yes, yes, I heard," he answered, almost impatiently. "I was- But this is no place for discussion. Come with me to my house."

Some trace of my feelings must have been revealed in my attitudemy face he could not have seen in the darkness-for he continued:

"You need not fear me, Master Ormerod. I mean you no harm. I could not do harm to your father's son." "But you?" I asked. "Who are you,

He chuckled dryly.

"You know my name," he answered, "and you heard the watch acknowledge my civic dignity. For the restif you have spent much time in Dorset you should know a Dorset voice." 'I do that," I assented heartily, "and 'tis grateful to my ears.'

"Then be content with that, sir, for a few minutes. Come, let us be on our way. I have reasons for not wishing to invite a second attack upon us."

He set off at a great pace, his head buried in his cloak collar, and I walked beside him, puzzled exceed-

Ten minutes later we stopped before a tall, gabled house of brick and timber on the near side of Holborn. My companion produced a key from his person and unlocked a heavy door which opened upon a staircase leading to the second story. The first floor was occupied by a shop.

"Enter, Master Ormerod," sald Juggins. "You are right welcome. I hope you have none of the country gentleman's scorn for the home of an honest merchant."

"A beggar must not be a chooser," I answered. "But if I were not indebted to you for my liberty I should still be glad to visit a Dorset man who knows how to fight and who remembers the woods of Foxcroft."

"Well spoken," applauded Juggins as he fastened the door behind us. "So I might have expected your father's son to speak."

"That is the second time you have called me 'my father's son,' " I said. "Prithee, Master Juggins, had you ac-

quaintance with my father?" "Bide, bide," he replied enigmatically. "We shall settle all that anon.

After you, sir." And he ushered me up the stairs. which were hung with the skins of many kinds of animals, some of which I did not even know. The stairs gave upon a large hall, similarly decorated. and through this we passed into a comfortable chamber which stretched

across the front of the house. Master Juggins relieved me of my cloak and hat and motioned to a deep chair in front of the fire.

"Rest yourself, Master Ormerod. Presently we shall have provender for the inner man as well. Ho, Goody! Art abed, after all?"

"Abed? Abed?" answered a thin. old voice that was inexpressibly sweet. with a Dorset burr that made Master Robert's sound like the twang of a Londoner, "Abed? says he. When did I ever feel the sheets, and not knowing he was warm and safe and his posset-cup where it belongs-which is in his stomach? Abed! Didst ever

She stepped into the room, a quaint little figure in hodden-gray, a dainty cap perched on her wispy white hair, her brown eyes gleaming in the candle light, the criss-crossed wrinkles of her cheeks shining like a network of fine lace. In her hands she held a tray supporting a steaming flagon and divers covered dishes of pewterware. Juggins favored me with a humor-

ous glance. "Sure, I grow more troublesome year by year, granny," he said as she paused at sight of me. "Here I am come home later than ever, bringing a guest with me. Who think you he is?"

She looked at us inquiringly. " 'Tis Master Ormerod." "Ormerod? Not-

"Aye; Master Harry."

"Nay; he is here."

tures under the candles that shone from the mantel shelf.

"Is he in danger?" she asked breath-

"The watch were after him when he came to my rescue," replied Juggins. "Yet he came. She patted my cheek with her hand.

"That was a deed which you need never be ashamed of, Master Ormerod, and you shall win free to safety, whatever it may be or wherever, if Robert and I have any wits between us. Sit yourself down, Master Ormerod, and you shall have a draft of mulled ale and a dish of deviled bones and thereafterward a bed with sheets that have lain in Dorset lavender. Hath it a welcome sound to you?" The tears came into my eyes.

"I am happier this night than I have been any time since Charles and I left Foxcroft," I said. "But pray tell me why you two, who are strangers to me, should be so interested in an out-

"He does not know?" exclaimed the little old lady.

"I have told him nothing," said Juggins, smiling.

"Well, 'tis time he knew he was amongst the right sort of friends," the little lady said. "You are too young, Master Ormerod, to remember old Peter Juggins-

A light burst upon my addled wits.

"Why, of course!" I cried. "He was steward under my father, and in his father's time before him! But you?" "Peter was my husband," she said "Robert here is our grand-When Peter died your father offered his place to Robert. Robert would have none of it. He had the



wandering bee in his bonnet. He was young, and he must see the world. He would make his fortune, too. No life as an estate steward for him."

"And wise I was, too, granny," interjected Master Juggins. "Even you will grant that now.'

"Be not too elevated by your good fortune," she retorted. "Had you followed your grandfather at Foxcroft your counsel might have restrained Master Harry and his brother from their madness-

"I wish it might have," I said bitterly, thinking of Charles' lonely grave on a mist-draped hillside in the Scotch highlands.

"Many a gentleman would have taken in bad part such an answer to an offer made in kindness, Master Ormerod. But not your father. No. after trying all he could by fair means to dissuade Robert from his course, he asked where his fancies drifted, and then supplied him with money for the voyage to the Western Plantations and to enable him to secure a start. Twas that permitted Robert to go overseas and to set himself up as a fur-trader there and afterward to return and establish his business downstairs, which hath grown so that it is more than he can handle. All of it, I say, we owe to you."

"All of it, granny," reaffirmed Master Juggins himself. "Y'have not made t one whit too strong for me. But would find out before we sleep how

I may be of aid to Master Ormerod." "Ald?" quoth she. "All that we have in the world is his, if he wants It; aye, the clothes off our backs. Good night to you, Master Ormerod. And remember, this house, poor though it be for your father's son, is to be your home until you have a better."

I rose and bowed my acknowledgments, but I could not speak. My heart was too full. Here in this bleak, unfriendly London, which had greeted me with suspicion and persecution, I had found friendship and assistance. It was almost too good to

"I have no claim upon you, Master

Juggins," I exclaimed as the door losed behind his grandmother. nember that. And let me not imperil for one moment two friends of my father, who revere his memory as I had not supposed any did, save myself."

He pushed me down into my chair by the fire.

"There is no question of claim, sir. 'Tis a privilege. Do you tell me now of your present plight. Fear not to be frank with me, Master Ormerod. 1 o not mix in politics. I am none of your red-hot loyalists who would hang a man because he remarks that our worthy king is a Hanoverian by birth. But on the other hand I'll have naught to do with these plotters who fume over the exiled Stuarts.

"The Stuarts went, sir, because they overtaxed the forbearance of a longsuffering people. They might have re turned ere this, as you know, had they possessed the good sense to appreciate what their whilom people required. But they lacked that good sense, Master Ormerod, and with all deference I. say to you they will never return unless they learn that lesson very soon." I leaned forward in my chair and

interrupted him, the words bubbling from my lips." "I could not have put neater my own feelings, Master Juggins. When I was a lad not yet of age I risked all I had for the Stuart cause. What

came of it? A life of exile that might have ruined me, as it has many a better man. My family's estate was sequestrated; my outlawry was proclaimed. I have no place to lay my head, save it be by the bounty of a foreigner.

"Have I secured any moral satisfaction by these sacrifices? At first I thought I had. But when I looked closer I found that I had done nothing for my country. For the Stuarts, yes. But for my country, nothing.

"This made me think the harder. Master Juggins. At the beginning I had taken zest in the plots and plans which were aimed to bring about his restoration to power.

"But the longer I studied them the more insincere they became. I found my leader a catspaw of foreigners, used to undermine England's prestige. His aims were not the good of England, but his own aggrandizement, the furthering of France's ambitions." "Hast learned that, lad? Why, then,

there's no more loyal Englishman in

"So you think," I answered. "So I think. But hear me out. I told my feelings to a certain great gentleman who handles affairs at St. Germain. He cursed me for a turncoat, would have ordered his lackeys to flog me from the palace. I left him-in disgrace. The doors of my friends were closed to me. I thought I would make my way to England and begin a new

"So I applied to the English ambassador for a passport. He laughed at me. Did I think he was so innocent as to be blinded by such transparent trickery? Nay, the Stuarts must seek otherwhere for means to plant a fresh spy in England. In desperation then I bought passage from a smuggler of Dieppe, who landed me three weeks since in Sussex. I made my way to Dorset, hoping to find old friends who would help me to gain a pardon; but I was recognized by one of my cousins who now hold Foxcroft house, and he raised a hue and cry after me, fearing no doubt that I sought to regain the

"Since then I have been hunted like a beast. My last shilling was spent this morning. Tomorrow, had I escaped so long, I planned to sell my sword, and if all else failed to seek a press-gang."

"Let us thank God you heard my cries," said Juggins earnestly.

"I do," I said, "and with no lack of reverence, my friend, I also thank

He gave me a keen look.

"You call me friend. Do you mean the word?" "Why not?" "I was your father's servant." he

said, and he said it so that the words were at once proud and humble. I caught his hand in mine. "You were his friend, too; and who am I, an outlaw without name or fortune, to set myself above a man who

has prospered like you through the diligence of his own hands and Master Juggins drew a deep breath

and wrung my hand hard.

"You'll do, lad," he said. "My help would have been yours on any terms. But you have made it a glad privilege for me to help you. Doubt not we shall find a way.

"Now get you to bed. I shall have somewhat to say to you on the mor-

The part played by the inexhaustible riches of the American colonies in the machinations of European politics comes as a revelation to Ormerod.

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Timber, Sound, Though Buried for Centuries

Furniture made from oak used by | first embankment built by the Ro the Romans more than 1,800 years | mans. ago in the construction of an embankment for the Thames is shortly to be added to the historic treasures of the Mansion house, says the London Mail

The timber, discovered during excavations behind King William street. E. C., is in good condition, although good condition that they can still be It has been buried for centuries.

It is in the possession of Mr. Thomas J. Edwards, a member of the London and Middlesex archeological society, who, with other experts, is She drew closer, and studied my fea- | satisfied that the find is part of the

A member of the society said the timbered embankment is 83 feet north of the Roman wall, probably built 200 years later.

Whole trunks of trees, piled one above the others, six deep and locked by cross-timbers, were found in such used for almost any purpose.

Natural Question

"There are two sides to every story."

"Are you still single?"

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Sunday School Lesson

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OBEDIENCE TO LAW

LESSON TEXT-Leviticus 26:1-46. GOLDEN TEXT-Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons PRIMARY TOPIC-Daniel Chooses

JUNIOR TOPIC-The Self-Control of aniel.
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOP. -Why Obey the Law. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOP-

I. Some Fundamental Laws Stated

IC-Enforcing the Law.

(vv. 1, 2). 1. God alone to be worshiped (v. 1). God is a jealous God, therefore He cannot tolerate a rival. There must be no idolatry. God is to have full place in our lives or no place at all. 2. The Sabbath must be observed

The one who has enthroned God in his heart will reverence His Sabbath. The Sabbath was ordained that man might better cherish God in his heart. 3. Reverence for God's sanctuary (v. 2).

The believer needs to frequent the sanctuary of God in order to have his soul refreshed. Respect for God's holy day and the frequency of the sanctuary are inseparably united in those who fear and reverence God. II. Blessings for Obedience to God's

Laws (vv. 3-13). 1. Fruitful seasons (vv. 3-5). Temporal well-being is secured through obedience to God's government. Godliness is profitable unto all

having the promise of the life that now is and that which is to come. 2. Internal security (vv. 6-8). In addition to the fullness of temporal blessings, God assured them that for obedience to His Word He would grant peace and safety. robbers were to invade the land to

night. No wild beasts would be allowed to devour them. 3. Numerical increase (vv. 9, 10). Their number would be multiplied according to God's covenant to Abraham and the produce of the land in-

disturb their tranquillity by day or

creased to support them. 4. God's abiding presence (vv. 11-

The greatest of all God's blessings is His abiding presence. Happy is that nation and people in whose presence God chooses to dwell.

III. Calamities for Disobedience (vv. 14-39).

1. Judgments in general (vv. 14-17). For disobedience and rejection of God's laws, general calamities would be permitted to come upon them. They include:

(1) Physical diseases. Their health would be taken away and they were to be afflicted with diseases. (2) Bereavement. Physical disease

would take away kindred and friends, thereby causing sorrow of heart, and mourning. (3) Famine, God would withhold

the rain, therefore food supply would be lacking. (4) Conquest. They would be slain

before their enemies. (5) Oppression and dispersion. God would allow the enemy to overcome and oppress them and ultimately take them out of their own land and scat-

ter them. 2. The specific judgments (vv. 18-

Mercies rejected and warnings unheeded must be followed by more severe strokes of wrath. Four series of warnings are pointed out by Kellogg, each conditioned on the supposition that they did not repent as the result of the preceding experiences. Each series is prefaced by the formula, "I will punish you seven times more for your sins" (vv. 18, 21, 24, 28). The thought is that each new display of impenitence on Israel's part shall be marked by increasing severity.

(1) The rains will be withheld (vv. 19, 20)

(2) Their children and cattle will be destroyed by wild beasts (v. 22). (3) This to be followed by war, pestilence and famine (vv. 25, 26).

(4) Increasing terror (vv. 29-32). If the previous judgments were not heeded then severer ones would follow so that in their distress they would eat the flesh of their sons and daughters and their seed should become waste and their land so desolate that even their enemies would be astonished at it.

5. Scattered among the Gentiles (v.

God would scatter them among the heathen and pursue them with a sword. How awfully this has been fulfilled in the history of that people

The Happiest Homes

The happiest, sweetest, tenderest homes are not those where there has been no sorrow, but those which have been overshadowed with grief and where Christ's comfort was accepted. -J. R. Miller.

Read Your Bible

Read your Bible, make it the first morning business of your life to understand some portion of it clearly, and your daily business to obey it in all that you do understand.-Ruskin

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