# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Vernor, the Traitor

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Being the Memoirs of Patrick Vernon, of Irongray, Written by Himself, and Now Published by His Brother for the Warning of Others Alike Traitorous and Malignant, and for the Encouragement of Them That Do Well. \_\_\_\_

to his old business. That preacher loor

he said concerning the preacher. I had seen too many of the breed, and, bear-ring Ritchie Cameron, who had the heart of half a dozen brave men all in-

side of his one body, I had small enough liking for them, or indeed they for me. Truth to tell, they had specialwed me

over sorely with their cates risms and testimonies when I was young. And since Isobel Welr had given me the go-

by, I had looked (God forgive me) at

more than one along the shining barre of a King's musket. For which, as

say, may the Lord pardon me. For I but carried out the orders of my com-mander, and, like a soldler, took no

account of the rights or wrongs of the

matter. So presently it was time for us

drive among them. The men awakened and stretched themselves. Then they leaped up from their beds of hether.

looked to their equipment, and secure each his own charger. The colonel di-vided us into two parties, and we rode

out of the wood at opposite ends, to take the Conventiclers in flank and

Here and there we could see a sen

tinel standing leaning on his gun or moodily pacing to and fro. But, one

and all, they were paying more atten-

SHE KEPT ONE ARM ABOUT MY BROTHER'S NECK.

ion to the preacher than to walking

about Zion and telling the enemies

thereof. At all events, we were well out of the wood before any alarm was given. But when they saw us come

then indeed there was a buzz and a stir among them like bees swarming. Certain of the stronger and more de-

termined men drew themselves to-gether into some sort of disciplined order about the preacher. But the most

part of them ran every way, making especially for a large wild moss with many quaggs and green slimy mor-

asses, over which they supposed our

heavy horses could not go.

It so chanced that my own squadron,

with Col. Douglas at its head, was the

first to reach the little band of the fa-naticals that stood at bay at about the

yards from them. I saw the smoke spring white as it had been under the very nose of my horse. At my elbow Jock Cannon, for ordinary my rear rank man, grunted, fell forward on his

horse's neck, and his sword dropped

from his hand. Looking about me, I could see several saddles wounded or that killed, I knew not. So there ran the word along the line of our charge that no prisoners were to be taken, ex-

the blue reek of powder.

Now, mine enemy was a stout lad enough, but with his heavy blade and

my gentlman, instead of crying: "Quar

sword.
And then, when his face was near

enough mine to see clearly through the smoke, and his knife within six inches of my buff coat, I saw who he was— mine own brother Duncan. And at the same moment he knew me. "Patrick!" he cried, and let his knife

stopping my horse, "Get out of this as fast as you may. Are there any more of the Irongray folk among them?"

"We are all here together," he said, "all except Martin."

The tide of battle had somewhat

passed us, sweeping on over the muir, so I bade him slip away as quietly as he might; for by this time the line had broken, as was usual, into a great num-ber of separate combats. So it was with

little difficulty that I let Duncan es

cape through my fingers, pretending a misunderstanding with my horse, and

pursuing after him vainly with a loud

When I returned, I found that the

skirmish was over, and all the fanati-cals either dead or captured.

I looked carefully at the former, one after another. There were none of them that I knew, till I turned a tall man

lying face down in the moss, who had been slain at the first fire. It was the dead body of my father, John Vernor,

dead body of my father, John Vernor, of Irongray.

Then it was that the enormity of taking part against my name and folk was first fully brought home to me. For mostly I had loved the horsemanship part of this soldlering business—the clattering gayety of the march, the mustering in baste, the cool night rides, the constant change of quarters, the thrilling trump of battle, and the companionship of just such brisk, heedless lads as myself. But when I saw my father's dead body lying there, with the moss-water running down his beard and mixing itself with the blood from his deadly wound, the black side of my trade came over me. I felt like the murderer of my father and the traitor they

derer of my father and the traitor they called me at their society meetings. And of that I was very soon to be remembered. For we had taken the preacher lad.

"Sure, 'tis Pat Vernor's self we have

caught at the conventicling," cried Driscoll, the Irishman; "we will even make him deliver himself to Satan for

persecuting the saints, and then shoot himself for field-preaching."

And with that I went forward, and there, with his hands tied behind his

drop.
"Lord love you-Duncan," I

Patrick and Robert Vernor are the ell-st and the youngest of the seven sons But it was too hot there in the woo est and the youngest of the seven sons of a Scottish Covenanter of Irongate, in Galloway. It having been proposed by a est and the youngest of the seven soms of a Scottish Covenanter of Irongate, in Galloway. It having been proposed by a minister that one of the sons go with a party to Holland, to study for the ministry, a farmily consultation is held in the preacher's presence. Patrick, although somewhat wild, is compelled by his love for a Covenanter lass, Isobel Weir, who scorns his roystering ways, to announce his desire to become a preacher. His father grows sarcastic at the idea, and to add to Patrick's anger, his mother brings in Robert as a candidate, whom she has found under a tree, praying. Patrick, who tells the story, scoffs at his brother's quiet ways. The minister finally selects Robert. Patrick quarrels with his father, and leaves for good the home to which he is heir. His other brothers to which he is heir. His other brothers to the form, them, he meets Isobel Weir, taunts hel with her regard for his brother, and announces his intention to become one of King Charles' troopers.

And with that I waved my hand to Isobel Weir, the lass I would have loved better than any other man, if so be she would have let me. For I saw that she would not even shake me by the hand for old skae's sake. And I de-sired to save her the pain of refusing.

Now let all men judge if my heart was not full to the brim of dule and waefulness that day as I went down the bonny knowes of the Cluden side. For, saving the brothers whom I had left behind, I had not a friend in the world. And when the heart is sore for a lass and her fickleness, it is not the love of brothers that brings much solid comfort. I thought chiefly indeed that another would kiss the lovely mouth I had longed to kiss, and I felt for my

knife to kill him for it. By the Red Yetts I heard a pitterpatter on the grass, and there, running behind me, was my dog Royal, racing from side to side of the way and smelling at rabbit holes as if I had been going a little dauner to see the lasses in the gloaming. I bade him go home, but he did nothing but sit and look at me, considering, as it were, with his wise head to the side. Nor would be budge an inch when I spoke angrily, but only lay and cowered his head between his paws so meekly that I could not beat him for very pity. So, though I feared that they would

not abide him at the quarters of the dragoons in Dunfries, I had perforce to let him follow on. And indeed he abode with me ever after, and is even now with the regiment. When I came to Claverhouse's lodg-

ing I went boldly up to the sentinel and demanded of him to see Col. Gra-

'Ho, Bluebonnet," cried he, "it is not often that a Whig comes speering for that name. What might you want of him, my brave Whiggie?

"An' you had not that long piece in your hand with the pudding pricker at the end, I would e'er show you to wnom you speak," said I, shutting my fists; "but an' you want to know. I come to enlist in his Majesty's drag-

oons."
When the soldier heard that his mood changed, and, very good-naturedly, he told me where I should find Cornet Graham, who had charge of the recruiting. To him I went, and we agreed so well that in an hour I was being measured for my accoutrement by the

Then, when for the first time Trooper Patrick Vernor, eldest son to John Vernor, of Irongray, rode out, judge ye what a cry there was in all the country side. Some there were who said that I did buy play the old game of "Heads, I win; tails, my father does." For (said they) if the king keeps his own, Irongray is safe in the hands of that good soldier of his maj-

hands of that good soldier of his majesty and of Claverhouse's, Private Patrick Vernor; but if the wild Whigs triumph in their Whiggery—why, here is the patriot and sufferer, John Vernor, restored to full possession, and, in addition, all his fines and king's dues are remitted.

But among the folk of the hillside and the field meeting I was outcast and thrice accursed. For soon after my enlisting there ensued the wildest times that we had ever had in Galloway—sudden marches during the night, moorland houses searched, half a dozen poor, ignorant praying lads turned out, some to get their quietus at the moorland houses searched, half a doz-en poor, ignorant praying lads turned out, some to get their quietus at the out, some to get their quietus at the dyke-back with a charge of powder and a musket bullet, the rest to go stringing away to Edinburgh, on the backs of sorry nags, their feet tied under the bellies of their horses. It was weary work; and in my own country side I liked it ill enough. But I was not the man to go back; and, indeed, what, when all was said and

deed, what, when all was said and done, had I to go back to?

Then in awhile there came better of before I had time to shorten grips on my it. For the folk of the Covenant began to gather into disciplined companies and make a stand. And then, what riding and chasing there was between garrison and garrison—Colonel Douglas at Morton borrowing transpare from Cantain Engage of Ecolonical one: Boughts at Morton borrowing troopers from Captain Bruce, of Earl-shall, at Crichton Peel, and both be-ing drawn upon by John Graham, of Claverhouse, who kept at Dumfries the head bees' byke, from which we swarmed out in all directions to win ney from the Whiggish pastures of

So we went on, riding and killing till it happened that we lay, one day, a hot Sabbath, by a hill side, and we



had marched all night to take the Conhad marched all night to take the Conventiclers in the midst of their preaching. It was about the noontide, and we were lying idly in the covert, with our horses cropping the coarse, lush grasses of the little forest glades. We could easily hear the sound of the preacher's voice from where we lay, and by crawling to the edge of the coppie we could see him-a tall, thin lad, with a fresh and beautiful countenance.

"I declare," said Sergt. Driscoll, below his breath, "If I had not seen Psalm Singing Pat there lying on his belly and sucking of a straw, I had thought that he had given us the slip and gone back

back, stood the conventicle preacher, with a lass clasping him about the neck and the soldiers standing a little way

Now, though a man is not a good judge of his own likeness, I could not but see that this man was the very moral of me—hair, eyes, and features—aye, even the very way he had of standing with his head thrown back looking over the lass' shoulder with a kind of defiance. Presently the maid raised her eyes.

as it had been in a prayer to Heaven. For she knew well that it was little use making an appeal to the king's troopers on behalf of a field Conven

Then I saw who they were that stood before me. The preacher was my both-er, Robert Vernor, home from Hol-land, a full-fledged minister, and the maid whose arm was about his neck was Isobel Weir.

Presently my brother's eyes fell on me, and he started like one who sets

his foot on a thorn.
"So Judas," he cried, "you have slain to bandy words with a cross eyed thief of the King's pet Irishy. So I let Dris-coll talk on. I heeded not at all what your father and killed your brother. God shall judge thee, thou wicked man thou bloody son. Sorrow shalt thou sup for all the evil thou has wrought. Patrick Vernor, I deliver thee to the judgment of Almighty God for this your deed."

And as he spoke Isobel Weir turned ner about and looked at me, as one would at a very demon of cruelly, so that my heart qualled and turned sick within me at a glance. And even then she kept one arm about my brother's neck, and so for a moment she stood

neck, and so for a moment the stood gazing at me.
"Traitor!" she said, at last, with a certain slow, quiet bitterness, exceeding hard to bear; "a slayer of your father and heart-breaker of your mother—do not stay your hand until you have taken my blood and that of this poor lad. He is your youngest brother, and little more than a bairn. But that will make it the sweeter to you, and after that we are all under ou, and after that we are all under clod then you may rest happy at last and receive the reward of your brave soldier deeds in the slyaing of women and children To this I answered no word, but with

### very gall of bitterness I stood and TO BE CONTIUED. A REMARKABLE CAT.

my heart cankered and drowned in the

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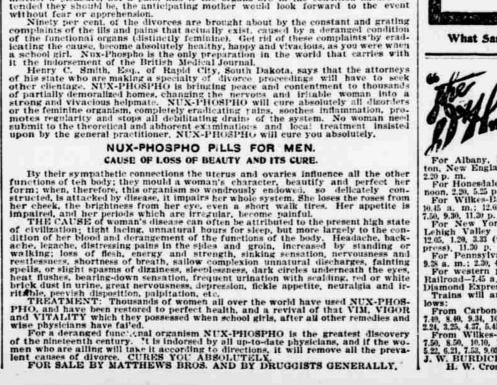
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10.15 a. m., week days, for Hazleton Pottsville, Reading, Norristown, and Philadelphia; and for Sur-bury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and Pittsburg and the West.

p. m., week days, for Sunbury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Balti-more, Washington and Pittsburg and the West.

3.17 p. m., Sundays only, for Sun-bury, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, and Pittsburg and the West. 6.00 p. m., week days, for Hazleton

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(Black Diamond Express) and 11,30 p. m.
For Pittston and Wilkes-Barre via D.
L. & W. R. R., 6,90, 8,08, 11,29 a. m., 1,55,
3,40, 6,00 and 8,47 p. m
For White Haven, Hazleton, Pottsville
and principal points in the coal regions
via D. & H. R. R., 6,45 a. m., 12,05 and 4,41
p. m. For Bethlehem, Easton, Reading, Har-For Bethlehem, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations via D. & H. R. R., 6.45, 7.45 a. m., 12.05, 1.29, 3.33 (Black Diamond Express), 4.41 and 11.39 p. m.

For Tunkhannock, Towanda, Elmira, Ithaca, Geneva and principal intermediate stations via D. L. & W. R. R., 6.00, 8.08, 9.55, a. m., 12.29 and 3.40 p. m.

For Geneva, Ruchester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Chicago and all points west via D. & H. R. R., 7.45 a. m., 12.05, 3.33 (Black Diamond Express), 9.50 and 11.30 p. m.

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Express for Easton, Trenton, Philadel-phia and the South, 5.15, 8.00 and 9,55 a. m.; 1,10 and 3.33 p. m.

Washington and way stations, 3.45 p. m.
Tobyhanna accommodation, 6.10 p. m.
Express for Binghamton, Oswego, Elmira, Corning, Bath, Dansville, Mount Morris and Buffalo, 12.20, 2.35 a. m., and 1.55 p. m., making close connections at Buffalo to all points in the West, Northwest and Southwest.

Bath accommodation, 9.15 a. m.

Buth accommodation, 9.15 a.m.
Ringhamton and way stations, 1.05 p. m.
Nicholson accommodation, 5.15 p. m. Binghamton and Elmira express, 5.53 p. m. Express for Utica and Richfield Springs, 25 a. m., and 1.55 p. m. Ithaca 2.35 and Bath 9.15 a. m. and 1.55 Ithaca 2.35 and Bath 9.15 a. m. and 1.55 p. m.

For Northumberland, Pittston, Wilkes-Barre, Plymouth, Bloomsburg and Danville, making close connections at Northumberland for Williamsport, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and the South. Northumberland and intermediate stations, 5.09, 9.55 a. m. and 1.55 and 6.09 p. m. Nanticoke and intermediate stations, 3.08 and 11.29 a. m. Plymouth and intermediate stations, 3.40 and 8.47 p. m.
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For detailed information, pocket time tables, etc., apply to M. L. Smith, city ticket office, 328 Lackawanna avenue, or depot ticket office.

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For Atlantic City, 8.20 a. m.

For New York, Newark and Elizabeth, 8.20 (express) a. m. 12.45 (express with Buffet parlor car), 3.05 (express) p. m. Sunday, 2.15 p. m. Train leaving 12.45 p. m. arrives at Philadelphia, Reading Terminal, 5.22 p. m. and New York 6.00 p. m.

For Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton and Philadelphia, 8.20 a. m., 12.45, 3.05, 5.00 (except Philadelphia) p. m. Sunday, 2.15 p. m.

For Long Branch, Ocean Grove, etc., at 8.20 a. m. and 12.45 p. m.

For Reading, Lebanon and Harrisburg, via Allentown, 8.20 a. m., 12.45, 5.00 p. m.

For Pottsville, 8.20 a. m., 12.45 p. m.

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Returning, leave New York, foot of Liberty street, North River, at 9.10 (express) a. m., 1.10, 1.30, 4.15 (express with Buffet parlor car) p. m. Sunday, 4.30 a. m.

Leave Philadelphia, Reading Terminal, 9.00 a. m., 2.00 and 4.30 p. m. Sunday, 6.25 a. m.

Through tickets to all points at lowest 9.00 a. m., s.w and a. m.

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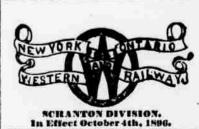
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Effective Nov. 2. Trains leave Scranton for New York, Newburgh and intermediate points on Erie, also for Hawley and local points at 7.05 a. m. and 2.28 p. m., and arrive from above points at 10.23 a. m., 3.18 and 9.38



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