

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

'What does all this noise mean?' demanded his Majesty looking bewilderedly at the man kneeling before him and the flushed faces of the guard.
'Sire, it is a madman,' responded Lindsay with his sternest expression.
'Sire, it is I, your servant,' said Gilbert looking up, and thrusting his long hair from his face.
'Master Elliot! Why, gentlemen, have you drawn swords upon him? Master Elliot is my friend. Rise, I am glad you have come, for I am weary and want somebody to play with me.
'Ah, sire, and I would have spent every drop of blood in my body to reach your Majesty.
The King regarded him with a quick, old-fashioned look of cunning.
'Then you've got something to ask from me? You are like all the rest.
'Not for myself, sire, not for myself.
'What does that matter? I am weary; make me laugh and you shall have your wish. Come, let us have a game at bat and ball.— Can you play?
'Anything, sire, anything to please you, if you will only listen to me,' answered Gilbert, wringing his hands.
'Catch,' cried the King, striking the ball he had picked up with a bat.
Gilbert caught the ball and threw it back, moaning.
'And the life of the bravest, noblest man in Scotland hangs on the balance of a game with a child.'
'Catch,' cried the King again.
Gilbert was too late this time; the ball struck him on the side of the head and rebounded, hitting the brave Captain Lindsay on the nose.
The King dropped the bat, laughing with childish hilarity at the Captain's expression of confusion.
'You are laughing, sire; you will hear me now for you are laughing,' exclaimed Gilbert piteously.
'And you,' exclaimed the King, amazed, 'you are crying—I don't like to see a big man like you crying.'
'I am sad no more, sire, for I have won.'
'You were gambling, then?'
'Yes, sire, I gambled with your Majesty for the life of a comrade—a brother. It was a cruel game.'
'Well, you have won, Master Elliot; what is it you wish?'
'Your Majesty's pardon for my friend.'
'Is he guilty?'
'I do not know; but he loves your Majesty; and if he has erred in aught it is because he loves you, sire.'
'Then I do not wish him to die. Who is he?'
'Sir Walter Spens,' answered Gilbert joyfully; 'you have said that you do not wish him to die, and you, sire, (with deep reverence) are the King.'
'Yes I am the King, and he shall not die. My mother has married Douglas, and Douglas thinks he can do what he pleases with me; he has sent away everybody I like and left me here as if I were nobody. But he shall find that I am the King and that there are dungeons in the Castle.
'And his Majesty looked quite big as he thus delivered his determination.
'Holy Mother bless you, good little King,' ejaculated Gilbert.
'I am not little, and I am the King; and if everybody does not obey me everybody shall go to the dungeons.
'The Earl of Angus attends your Majesty,' said an ordinary, entering the ante-chamber, 'accompanied by Lord Birnam.'
The King's countenance fell and his air of authority faded.
'The Douglas,' he muttered as if somewhat afraid; then speaking aloud, 'admit them, Captain.'
'Your Majesty will remember,' said Gilbert, again trembling for the fate of his friend.
The King nodded as he climbed upon a raised seat beside the table.
'I have a better idea than the dungeon, Master Elliot, you will see.'
The gentlemen of the Guard ranged themselves round the back of the King's chair, and Gilbert took his place amongst them as Angus followed by Birnam, entered.
'Sire, I bring you good news,' said Angus, affecting an ease and pleasure which he did not feel; 'you will be able to ride out tomorrow.'
'And I will not be shut up in doors like a prisoner any more?'
'Never again will it be necessary, I trust.'
'Ah, that is good news. Thank you, Cousin Angus.'
'We are a long way from the dungeons,' moaned Gilbert to himself; and Spens is forgotten.
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