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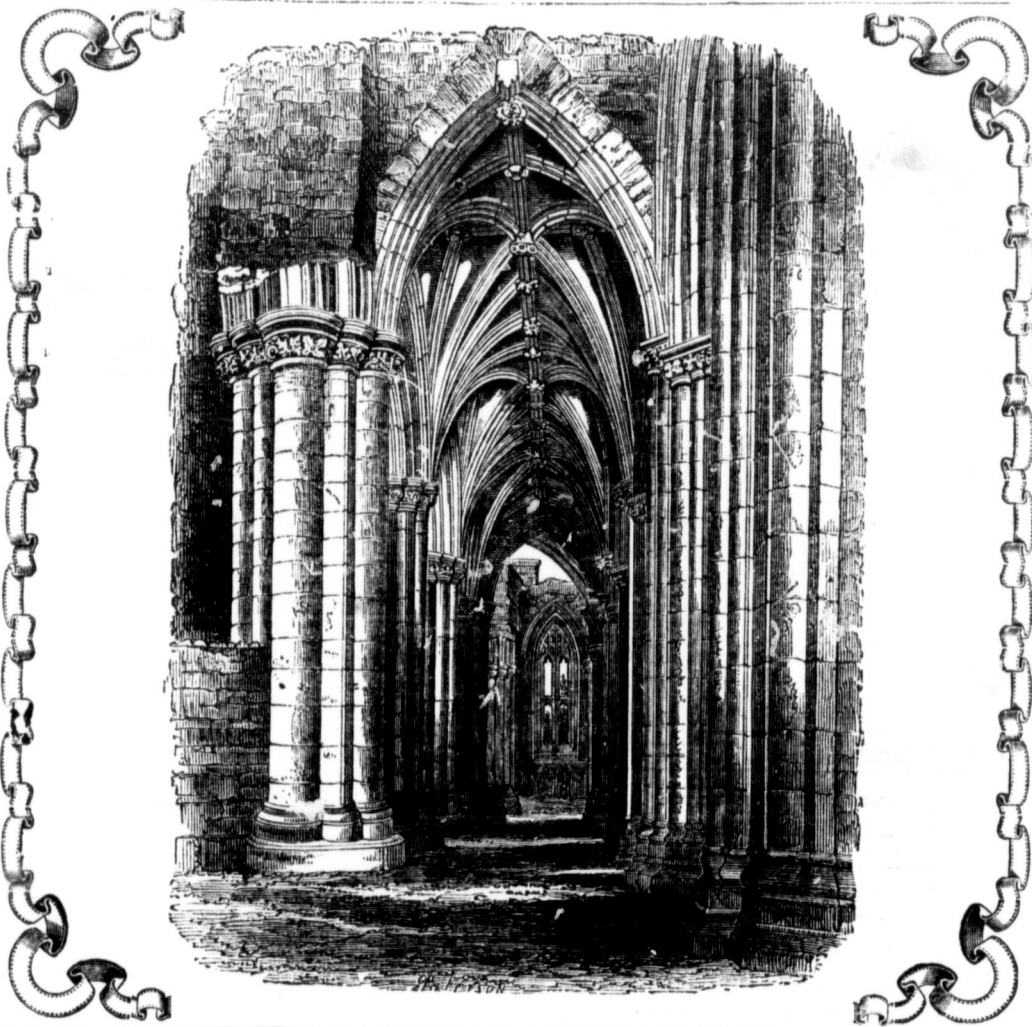
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If thou would'st view fair Melrose aright,  
Go visit it by the pale moonlight;  
For the gay beams of lightsome day  
Gild, but to flout, the ruins grey.  
When the broken arches are black in  
night,  
And each shafted oriel glimmers white;  
When the cold light's uncertain shower  
Streams on the ruin'd central tower,  
When buttress and buttress, alternately,  
Seem framed of ebon and ivory;

When silver edges the imagery,  
And the scrolls that teach thee to live and  
die;  
When distant Tweed is heard to rave,  
And the owlet to hoot o'er the dead man's  
grave,  
Then go—but go alone the while—  
Then view St. David's ruin'd pile;  
And, home returning, soothly swear,  
Was never scene so sad and fair!