

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 3, 1868.

## The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

Gilbert was about to inquire for her ladyship, but something in the position or bearing of the man arrested his tongue, fascinated his eyes, the while a strange feeling of mingled doubt and respect rose within him. The doubt sprang from the fact that the face of his mysterious friend was covered by a black mask.

He was a man rather above the average height, and of fine form. There was nothing to indicate muscular strength, yet a certain dignity in the poise of the frame impressed the observer with a respect for which he could not readily find an explanation. His dress was entirely black and somewhat of the English fashion, consisting of a short cloak of velvet, a loose jerkin of the same material, and a silken hose. His head was covered by a black skull cap, to which the mask was secured.

All this was sombre enough. Further, the absence of armour of any sort increased the singularity of his appearance, whilst his eyes shining out from the black mask obtained unusual brightness by their setting, and with somewhat of sadness in their expression, inspired confidence and yet aroused curiosity. Whilst Gilbert was making these observations little Alice was regaining warmth, and suddenly recalled her guardian to a consciousness of her presence.

"Mother, mother," she sobbed.

"Gilbert started, and the spell of fascination which had kept his eyes fixed upon the stranger was broken.

"Yes, yes—where is the lady?"

"The lady?" said he of the mask, apparently unable to understand.

"Yes, the lady who came here but now—who told you of my danger—where is she?"

"I became aware of your danger by accidentally looking over the precipice," was the answer in a calm soft voice, "and helped you because the odds were against you."

"Has not the lady reached the house then?" cried Gilbert, amazed and not a little alarmed.

"No stranger save yourself is here," Gilbert sprang to his feet.

"Merciful powers—she has missed the way—perhaps fallen into the hands of her enemy. He rushed to the door, but abruptly stopped, and turned upon the stranger.

"Our meeting has been a singular one, master; but I owe you my life—more—I owe you the life of that child—I will trust you and leave her with you until I return."

The masked man bowed with a quiet dignity, as if accepting the trust imposed on him. Gilbert passed forth, and from the height caught a glimpse of Tushielaw's party just as it disappeared in the glen.

They had failed to discover the manner of his escape—had become alarmed perhaps, and were beating a retreat. So Gilbert thought, and the thought gave him some relief.

He hastened round to the pathway by which Lady Spens should have arrived at the cairn. He could find no traces of the horse's foot-steps until he was half way down to the glen. There he was startled by finding the stone trodden down by the feet of several horses, and men, as if there had been a struggle of some sort on the spot. From this place he traced numerous footprints down to the entrance of the pass which he had defended so faithfully, until, as he had thought, the lady was safe.

He was confused beyond measure by the fears which filled his mind. Her ladyship must have reached the cairn long before him had she proceeded thither as directed; more than enough time had been allowed her—How then had she failed? The truth flashed upon him with painful vividness, for it bro't to him much self-reproach for his blindness. In order to secure her safety he had sent her away alone, whilst her child remained in danger. She must have dreaded the result of his contest with the pursuers, for her child's sake. She must have paused, hesitating, whether or not to return, thus losing precious time and enabling Tushielaw to overtake her and capture her.

Bitterly he upbraided himself for his ignorance of woman's nature in thinking that she would accept life for herself and leave her child in peril. He had been blind and stupid. But his was a nature prompt in decision, and he did not waste much time in vain regrets, but made speed back to the cairn house.

On entering he found the stranger seated on one of the rude stools with Aly—that was the pet name of little Alice—upon his knee. The two had evidently become the best of friends in spite of the black mask upon the man's face, which under ordinary circumstances would have rendered conciliation with the child impossible. Gilbert, however, was too deeply agitated to pay much heed to the matter.

"Well," said the soft voice of the mask, looking up with earnest expression in his eyes.

"She has been captured—she is in the power of a fiend."

"You mean—"

"Tushielaw—the robber, traitor, and assassin."

"That is a black list of crime."

"And a true one. He is a villain so foul that I think the fiends themselves must hate him."

"You are his enemy?"

"Ay, to the death."

"For what reason?"

"A great one, but one to which I dare not yet give voice."

"I will not press you for your secret; but in sooth there is cause enough for your enmity in the work he has done to-day."

"I see you are my friend," cried Gilbert gladly, "and you will aid me."

The Mask shook his head sadly.

"I have little power, but with what I have I will aid you. What is your need?"

"First, protection for this child till I return."

"That she can have here. The woman who dwells here is called a witch, and none would dare to invade her home or to defy her magic. Let it your need not fear her," he added huskily, observing Gilbert's look of surprise and hesitation; "she is my friend, and for my sake will guard this child from all danger, I pledge myself."

"Pardon, master," said Gilbert still hesitating, "but I do not know your name, even your face is hidden from me. How can—"

He stopped, unwilling to complete the sentence.

"How can you trust me—is not the what you would say?"

Gilbert inclined his head.

"You must risk the trust. My face you may not see, for it is the face of one who is dead to the world. My name? I have none. Four months ago I bore a name as high and noble as any in all Scotland. To-day I am nameless. Why, I cannot tell you or any one."

There was a subdued sadness and earnestness in his tone which compelled the hearer to accept his words with faith.

"I will trust you," said Gilbert, moved by the generous impulse of youth; "but how shall I know you?"

"Call me the Chevalier Night, since all my life and hopes are darkened."

"Yours is a strange humour, but I will not balk it. Here is my hand. I will not seek to fathom the mystery which surrounds you or to discover aught you may wish to conceal until you are willing to confide wholly in me."

The chevalier took the outstretched hand, the while his eyes seemed to search the inmost thoughts of the youth.

"For so much I thank you, Gilbert Elliot."

TO BE CONTINUED.

J. McWhinnie, editor of the Woodstock Sentinel, has been appointed Collector of Inland Revenue for the County of Oxford.

POSTMASTER ABSCONDED.—C. McKenna, postmaster at Indiana, county of Haldimand, absconded last week, considerably in arrears to the government on money order account. The amount is not yet known, but it is supposed to be in the neighborhood of \$600.

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