

181. **errant damosel.** In the days of chivalry the fair lady (damsel or damo-el) who suffered wrong went forth in search of a knight who would fight in her behalf.

182. **high** .. The noble cause for which you seek a champion

183. **a squ...e.** An attendant upon a knight.

185. He had spoken of her as an "errant damosel" on a "high quest."

190. The ring was a pledge or guarantee that Fitz-James had claims upon the gratitude of the king.

194-7. It is our duty to acknowledge (own) this ring. Pardon me if I have been foolish and have failed in my duty to you whose worth I did not recognize because of your humble dress and the veil with which you are concealed.

200. **bower.** Chamber.

203. **hest.** Behest, command.

array. Dress, attire.

216. **barret-cap.** Cloth cap. Perhaps he will wear it in the thick of the fight, where soldiers with finer caps or helmets may not venture.

238. **hearse.** Bier.

243. **wot.** Know.

247. **but I loved.** If I had not loved.

259. **wheel.** As a means of inflicting extreme torture the victim was fastened to a wheel or a cross, and his legs were broken with an iron bar.

260. **engine.** Instrument of torture.

267. **unhasp.** Unbar.

272. **garniture.** Furniture.

277. **Leech.** Physician.

288. **prore.** Prow.

329. **Dermid's race.** The Campbells.

331. **glanced.** Struck off.

350. **Beal' an Duine.** A defile, or pass, in the Trosachs. Literally, "the pass of the man," so called because one of Cromwell's soldiers was killed in this pass.

Scott says, "A skirmish actually took place at a pass thus called, in the Trosachs, and closed with the remarkable incident mentioned in the text." This happened in the time of Cromwell.