

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the
Sixteenth Century.

But the affair of Master Elliot upset his calculations. He liked the youth, admired his courage and frankness in returning to Edinburgh; and having no hope of being able to save him from the penalty of his apparent desertion, he was perplexed and fretted.

The forebodings of the Captain found a too faithful corroboration. In two days after his return Gilbert was tried under the martial law. He pleaded the ruse by which he had been taken away and related all that had happened. But he had nobody to confirm his statements unless they would send for Kirsty Hishop, and this his judges declined to do. There was no one else to help him in his difficulty; and the only kindly word spoken for him was the argument of Captain Lindsay, that had he deserted of his own will, he would not have returned, knowing as he must have done the penalty of his offence.

To the judges the case appeared to be clear, and were they to pardon one offender there would be nothing to prevent the whole of the guardsmen taking a light when the whim seized them. Therefore an example must be made, and he was condemned to death.

Lindsay followed him to his cell, apparently gruffer, if possible, than usual in his manner.

'Good bye, Captain,' said Gilbert, smiling sadly when he stood again in the gloomy prison which he was only to quit for the grave, 'I will try to die as becomes a gentleman of your company.'

'I am sure of that.'

'One word before you go; I believe that I have not been fairly tried—'

'What, what?'

'I am convinced that my fate was decided before I had spoken a word. Whatever the reason, my judges met to condemn me.'

'That's treason—but what the devil did ye come back for?'

And, as if afraid that he might show more of his weakness than he would like to think about afterwards, he hurried away, leaving Elliot to find out what comfort he might in knowing that at least one man believed him innocent.

He was perfectly calm; and, whether or not engendered by a touch of frenzy which had lurked somewhere in his blood as the lingering memento of his late fever, he was even disposed to be cheerful toward evening. At any rate, he astonished the sentinel on duty by suddenly bursting into a snatch of song, and beating time with his fettered feet upon the floor, whereby he produced a clanking sound which caused the sentinel to halt.

'Hallo, Sir, what's like the matter wi' ye?'

'A malady for which there is no cure that I wot of.'

'An' what may that be?'

'Sentence of death my leeches call it.'

'Well, ye seem to take kindly wi' it.'

'I don't like it; and so I try to forget it. Am I not wise?'

'Fair soul, he's daft,' muttered the sentinel moving away.

But when the night closed and he sat upon his stone seat in darkness, his humour changed. Through the loop-hole, which served as a window to his cell, he could see the stars shining; and, watching them, there slowly crept upon him a sense of loss. Another night and he would never look upon the stars again on this side the grave. Another night passed, and all that he had ever dreamed of achieving would have vanished from him.

'Is all hope gone, then?' he asked himself.

Yes, it was all gone, and he bowed his head upon his hands to pray. But he could not pray. Thoughts glided through his mind like the shadows of birds upon a lake, never pausing or leaving any trace behind.

As one who has been a long while trying to sleep begins mechanically to count the ticking of the clock, so he began to count the steps of the sentinel, and he was startled almost when suddenly the steps ceased. He listened for them with the impatience of a child waiting for a toy. The absurdity of this state of mind presently occurred to him, and he made an effort to shake it off.

This effort was assisted by a peculiar circumstance.

The key turned in the lock of his cell, the chain was removed, the door was cautiously opened, and some one appeared to enter, but he was unable to assure himself of that as there was no light. Soft breathing, however, speedily confirmed his impression that he had a visitor.

Whom and for what purpose?

'Are you there, Master Elliot?' said a low voice.

'Yes, who are you that asks?'

'A friend.'

'Why are you here, and why come so stealthily?'

'I am here to lead you back to liberty. That is why I come so stealthily.'

'To liberty—what is your meaning. Has the judgment of to-day been revoked? Have they recalled me to life?'

'It is I only who revoke the judgment, and recall you to life.'

It was a woman's voice, its sweet sadness revealed so much; but the speaker had her mouth covered with the fold of a cloak, and by that means disguised the voice so that he could not recognise it. He had a suspicion, though.

'You bewilder me by these riddles. Tell me simply how am I to regain my liberty?'

'The doors and gates are open, here is the key of your fetters. Walk forth. At the foot of the West Bow you will find a man waiting with a horse. Mount and ride for your life from Edinburgh.'

'Ah, then this is not by order of the Court; it is an escape that you offer me?'

'Yes, and you must quickly accept, or escape will be impossible.'

TO BE CONTINUED.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate

WEDNESDAY—Glenesi and Muratzi, the two Germans whom Mr. Wright charged with leaving his employment without discharge, were up again this morning. The interpreter, who had acted between the plaintiff and defendants, appeared not to have performed his duty properly, the latter having understood that as Mr. Wright was not satisfied with the way they did their work he said they might leave. The case was dismissed with \$3.30 costs.

James Fitzgerald was charged with the theft of a shirt from Geo. Fleming. He took it off the clothes line and put it on, and when the Chief Constable caught him he became pugnacious. At first he was for having the case tried at the County Court, but after the witnesses were examined he thought better of it, pleaded guilty, and consented to its being disposed of summarily. He was sent to gaol for a month at hard labour.

THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT.—The Montreal Gazette says: There is no foundation for the rumor that the Dominion Parliament will meet in the fall.

Two or three loads of grain per day constitutes the entire supply of the market. It will be seen by our quotations that fall and spring wheat are now worth about the same figure, and in fact an extra sample of the latter would bring a higher price than any that is offering of the former. The quotation of barley and peas are merely nominal, as none of these grains are offered. Old oats will bring 65c, but new are readily sold at 50c. Butter has advanced a little since last week, and but very little of it is offered.

A passenger on board the steamer Argyle while returning to Hamilton on Monday evening fell over board and was not seen afterwards. His name was Merrick and he was formerly a soldier of the Rifle Brigade.

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Guelph, July 29.

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(Signed) W. M. CLARKE.

HENRY ORTON.

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Wyndham Street, Guelph, July 25, 1868.

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