

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century

These were the words Kirsty whispered to Mistress Mary—
"There's a man at the door wants to see ye."
"Who is it?"
"The same ye sent upon the errand to Kelso."
She was about to hasten to the door when the spaw-wife detained her, gripping her skirt.
"All ye heard the lady in surprise."
Kirsty seemed to be searching for something in the bonnet that she whereat lay all the fierceness of which her own haggard countenance was capable, only more subdued and more hidden by the beauty of the features.
"Well?" repeated Lady Mary.
"Dinna see him," said Kirsty in her whispering voice.
"He comes from my friend, who may have tidings of deep moment for me." Kirsty gave her high shoulders a jerk and released her hand. "There was no word of expression, but the movement made the lady pause." "The movement?"
"I have warned you—take your own course. I care nothing what happens."
Overcoming her momentary hesitation she passed to the door where the man was waiting. He placed in her hand a piece of ribbon upon which were three knots.
"I was to give ye this token," he said, "and to tell ye frae your friend that him ye ken o' has fan ye out and will be here the night."
The friend alluded to was one of the Queen's ladies to whom Mistress Douglas had entrusted the secret of her whereabouts so that she might give her timely warning of any master of moment.
"The message she had now received alarmed her, for she had no time given her to seek concealment."
"Did ye receive no other message?" she queried breathlessly.
"None ava."
"No letter or packet?"
"None, for the lady was fearful that I might have been gratified on the way."
"How did she know they would be here tonight?" exclaimed Mistress Mary rather to herself than to the messenger.
"The latter, however, responded, "I dinna ken, for the lady didna say. But what is't ye're expectin'?" "Gin ye a band o' brae horsemen they're coming up the glen."
"Coming up the glen?"
"Ay, can ye no hear the horses and the clink o' armour?"
"It's them, is't?" she cried, belying her breathless looking around—bewildered, seeking some place of hiding or some means of escape.
The rage of her brother, the shame that in his passion he might heap upon her in finding her there filled her with dread, but it was a dread that would have been only momentary had she not flashed before her vividly the sight of the bonnet in which in the inner chamber whose life might be the forfeit of her being found under the same roof with him.

She became conscious that the burning eyes of Kirsty Hyslop were fixed upon her inquisitively; and in her confusion she resented the look as treacherous. She suspected her of having played traitor, and released the minute afterwards, but it was a minute she felt.

"Come with me and close the door," whispered Kirsty, "I can save you from them if they were a thousand strong."
"Gin ye gang but the house they're sure to find ye," said the messenger, who appeared suddenly to comprehend the whole position.
"Come wi' me, leddy, I ken a pass down the cauld, and ye can hide safe i' the glen till they gang awa'."
"Ye, ye, that will be safest. Go on."
She had not followed her guide more than half a dozen yards when she regretted the suspicion that had caused her to lose faith in the wife of Merlin's Cairn; but she heard the tramp of horses' hoofs, the clink of armour—she fancied she could discern the steel plates glistening—she heard the door of the hut close behind her, and it was too late to turn back. So she went on after the man towards the pass.

Movement to the Red River.
A Brantford correspondent of the Toronto Leader says that a very extraordinary scheme is talked of in that town as being likely to be set on foot very shortly, and which appears certain to attract a great deal of attention in this Province and elsewhere. It is nothing more or less than the formation of a North West Land and Emigration Company, for the opening up and settlement of the Red River and Saskatchewan territories. It is proposed not to wait longer for the action of the Imperial Government, but to "go up and possess the land." The correspondent believes that such a scheme, if properly organized and laid before the public, would gather strength and volume, and would ultimately and ere long become irresistible. Quite a number of gentlemen, some of them far advanced in years, would be found ready to leave Brantford and seek a home in the great North-West. All the promoters of this great scheme ask is that the Dominion Government will guarantee to the settlers the same pre-emptive rights which have hitherto prevailed in Canada on the prairie, becoming part and parcel of this Dominion. It is proposed to form a joint-stock company, who shall make proper surveys into township tracts and locate towns and cities. The erection of various kinds of mills and manufacturing is talked of as likely to form part of the project. It is believed that thousands would immigrate from Canada and form settlements under such an organization. Farmers would gladly avail themselves of this means of obtaining good farms for their sons and some-in-law in that splendid agricultural country and thus a new stratum would be opened up to our Canadian youth who are annually seeking homes in the western States.

In the British House of Commons on the 28th inst. Lord Ebury presented a petition from the widow of the late Mr. Snider, the inventor of the breech-loader bearing that name now used in the British army, stating that his husband had died insolvent, from an attack of paralysis, brought on by accident and disappointment; that the money paid by the State in respect of his invention had all gone to mortgages, patents, and other persons; and that the petition and her family, who were left without any provision for their support. No action was taken on the petition, but it was thought and hoped that Mrs. Snider's claims upon the government will not be neglected.

It is reported that Mr. Bell, the Reeve of York, and a standing candidate for Parliamentary honors, will be brought up as a successor to Mr. H. S. Howland, the ministerial interest, to contest the ding against Mr. Wright.

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