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Her golden brooch, such birth betrayed And seldom was a snood amid Such wild luxuriant ringlets hid, Whose glossy black to shame might bring The plumage of the raven's wing; And seldom o'er a breast so fair Mantled a plaid with modest care, And never brooch the folds combined Above a heart more good and kind. Her kindness and her worth to spy, You need but gaze on Ellen's eye; Not Katrine in her mirror blue Gives back the shaggy banks more true, Than eve. y free-born glance confessed The guileless movements of her breast; Whether joy danced in her dark eye, Or woe or pity claimed a sigh, Or filial love was glowing there, Or meek devotion poured a prayer, Or tale of injury called forth The indignant spirit of the North. One only passion unrevealed With maiden pride the maid concealed, Yet not less purely felt the flame;-O, need I tell that passion's name?

XX.

Impatient of the silent horn,

Now on the gale her voice was borne:—
'Father!' she cried; the rocks around

Loved to prolong the gentle sound.

Awhile she paused, no answer came;—
'Malcolm, was thine the blast?' the name

Less resolutely uttered fell