### Guelph Evening Mercury

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## The Braes of Yarrow

Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

shrive him and prepare his soul for its passage.

He was pale; and a subdued sorrow in the expression of his eyes, as now and again they turned from the face of the friar to the loophole by which the sunlight gleamed in upon the dark chamber and lingered upon it, indicated that his resignation was not obtained without a struggle and a severe one. The regret with which he quitted life was painfully expressed in one little action.

It was close upon the hour when he was to be led forth; a ray of sunlight streamed into the cell forming a slanted column of light that fancy might have pictured as a path upward. At sight of this Gilbert suddenly rose from his chair, and tenderly, yearningly stretched out his hands until the ray of light touched them and brightened them.

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The friar had raised his bead from the illuminated missal he had been reading from and watched this movement. The good man's eyes glistened with pity.

'You still cling to life, my son,' he said, shaking his head sadly.

'Ah, father, forgive me, but it's hard, hard, hard, when the heart is so young, to quit the world, to close the eyes for ever to the warm sunlight, and lie down in the cold earth. And to die in this way!'
He shuddered and covered his face with his hands.
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Then he rose and laid his hand kindly upon
the shoulder of the condemmed.

'It is cally the body, my son, that lies in
the cold earth,' he said in a low voice, 'the
sold rises to the source of sunlight.'

'Thank you, thank you, father; I am so
weak, you see, although I had accepted your
good counsel in faith and thought myself-resigned. But there, I am better now. You
shall see that my step is firm and my face
calm as if I walked to a post of honour.

Gilbert clasped his hands tightly together
and turned his face to the dark side of the
cell so that his thoughts might not be distracd by the light, with its whilsperings of the
world, its ambition and strife.

Very soon he had regained his self-possession, and when the drum beat in the square
without he rose perfectly calm.

The voice of the holy father, monotonously
repeating the usual exhortations of the occation, sounded drowally in his ears, like the
hum of bees; and listening to it and trying
to occupy himself with obedience to the
words, he still heard every other sound with
acute distinctness.

There was the steady tramp of feet in the
passage ouside; the halt, the grating of the
bolts, and the slow opening of the massive
door when the guard appeared waiting for
him.

The officer in command summoned him

He observed a duetly, and took his place without a word. There were four soldiers behind and four in front. The friar walked by his side; and, with head erect and firm tread, he marched out to the daylight once

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They passed across the square, and were joined by the arquebusiers. Then slowly, with the muffled drum beating before them, they marched to the Esplanade.

There the whole force of the Castle was drawn up, forming three sides of a square. Behind the soldiers, and perched at every available stand-point, crowded the citizens, from whom arose a murmur of commiseration as the condemned appeared, for his may be some and the stand-point, crowded the citizens, from whom arose a murmur of commiseration as the condemned appeared, for his may be suffered their sympathy at once. The rumour of unfair treatment suddenly obtained a strong semblance of truth; and the crowd immediately accepted the semblance for the fact. The murmur of sympathy passed down the Castle hill, and at the foot took shape and passed back from hip to hip in words of discontent. A name, too, was whispered amongst the crowd; at the sound of which some looked scared, others doubtful, and my if humoured. The name was that of Angus, and it was associated with the deed about to be performed as he main cause of it all—whether the deed was just or wrong. None seemed to know by whom amongst them the name had been first pronounced and associated with the event of the day.

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But one may form a fair guess as to the origin of the whisper when it is known that the faction of Arran was represented in the crowd; and it was of some import that the growing distrust of the ambitious Douglas should be fostered.

The murmurs of the people served only to quicken the Governor of the Castle to the corclusion of the work in hand.

Dr. Johnson, when in Aberdeen, saw for the first time the operation of rough-casting the walls of a house, and put various queries about it to the workman. At last he apologized by observing, "But I fear I'm in your way." Whereupon the old wag, handling the brush so as to be spatter the Doctor liberally with lime, replied areful. "Na fant a bit of verse replied areful." "Na fant a bit of verse of the second of the seco in my way, if ye're no in ye're ain."

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