### Jeannie Sinclair. THE LILY OF THE STRATH

Further evidence of the truth was abuudantly forthcoming in the signs of desperate struggles which everywhere presented them asleves round the mouth of the well. The broken down thisties—and—nettles, the trampled grass, and the numerous footprints on the soft clay, where a spring kept it continually moist, told as plainly as words could do of the death wrestle which had there taken place.

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They were crowding in upon the spot with excited exclammations, when the Sheriff, in a loud voice, ordered them to keep back.

These footprints must be measured and transcribed before they are obliterated, he cried, and the propriety of this direction was at once seen and appreciated.

The Fiscal, with the aid of one of the constables, made a minute examination of the printed marks on the clay, and, though many of them were blurred and defaced by the sliding of the steps of the compatants, several remained perfect and entire, and these were carefully and accurately measured and cut out in paper. They were found to be of two kinds—one square-toed, with broad-headed hob-nails all—and this the groom from the Castle unhesitatingly declared was the impress of the Baronet's shooting boots. The other was a plain sole, with a peculiarly shaped toe-plate, a row of small nails round the edge, several rows of the same across the centre, and large flat-headed nails round the heel.

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The Fiscal, while engaged in taking the fac-simile of these marks, observed something gleaming among the grass, and reaching forward his hand, he found it to be a brass button, with the figure of a 'stag upon it. This additional piece of important evidence he showed to the Sheriff and constables, and then put it in his pocket.

Attention was now directed towards the well, where the trailing plants, the brambles and such like were broken and displaced, and hung down into the metrior. With fear and awe they bent over the dark cavity, and peered down into its black silent depths.

A hush fell upon the multitude as they listened intensely for any sound that might come up from the well, but all there was still as the grave, and the awe-struck faces paled as they thought of what was in all probability at the bottom.

After some of those present had been asked to take particular note of the appearances presented, the mouth of the well was cleared of the growth that partly obstructed it, and preparations were made to lower a burning forch down the circular cavity—The shepherd having by this time arrived with the tar for which he had been sent.

The torch was made, lighted, and fastened to a long rope, and the lowering began, as many heads being bent over the parapet to follow its descent as could make room for themselves.

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The moments were moments of breathless emotion and dread expectation as to what the blazing torch might reveal. Suddenly one universal cry of horror burst from every lip, for at a depth not so very great the bottom was reached, and there lay, grim and stiff, a mangled human body, which they recognised as that of Sir Fergus Sinclair. The bottom of the well was dry, and he reclined in a half-sitting position against the side, his face gashedland bloody, and something white in one of his hands. That he was dead was evident enough, but it looked as if he had survived the fall for some time, for the posture was not that of one who had fallen and never stirred. Perchance hours had elapsed ere death came to release him from his agony, and perchance also, had he had survived the fall for some time, for the posture was not that of one who had fallen and never stirred. Perchance hours had elapsed ere death came to release him from his agony, and perchance also, had have been succored in time, his life might have been spared, or, at least, he might have uttered the name of the marderer. But, alas, he was beyond this now. Cola and rigid he lay in the silmee of death, and no one ever knew how great or protracted his sufferings had been. The question now was—how was the body to be got to the surface? There was but one way of doing it, viz., by one of their number being lowered, and passing the rope round the dead man's body, by which means it could be drawn up. But who was bold enough to undertake the task? They looked at one apother, and were silent.

'A sovereign to the man who will go down, said the Sheriff, in a quiet tone.

There was utter silence for some moments; then a voice said—
'I'll go.'

over the parapet, and with the agility of one used to climbing he took hold of the rope with both hands and called to the men to give way.

In a very little he had reached the bottom, where the torch still burned brightly, and stood beside the corpse.

The end of another strong rope was now let down to him from above, and this he coolly and deliberately fastened under the dead man's arms, taking care to make the knot secure and trustworthy. Then he called out to those who held his own rope to stand firm, and he climbed up hand over hand with the cuse and rapidity of a squirrel.

'He has a written book in one hand and a bit of cloth in the other,' he observed, when he was once more in the midst of them.' The cloth is the colour of the clothes which Master Lynedoch had on.'

As he spoke, the torch was brought up, still burning, and after it, in a slow, cautious, solemn manner, the body was raised, and was soon revealed to the universal gaze in all its horrid ghastliness—bloody and cruelly disfigured. The face was so bruised fand wounded as to be almost beyond identification, but the dress, complete in every particular, put it beyond a doubt that it was indeed the body of Sir Fergus Sinclair. As the gipsy had reported, his right hand cluthed a torn fragment of grey cloth, while in the left was a pocket-book, open at the tablets, and on these a few lines were written in pencil. The Fiscal took the book with difficulty from the dead am an's grasp, and was able to decipher the following:—

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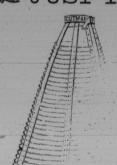
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