

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the
Sixteenth Century.

He of the jovial visage nodded again, and, drawing his heavy cloak tightly around his throat, he followed Tushielaw from the tavern after a hearty good night to the company. Fury at the cruel and infamous charge made against an innocent man was not the only passion which disturbed Gilbert Elliott as he left the hostelry of St. Andrew's Rest. He was sorely concerned for the safety of Lady Spens, whose presence in the city became doubly perilous now that Tushielaw had arrived, and having with him a companion whom Gilbert concluded rightly was none other than the false traitor he had handled so roughly in the round chamber of the tower. He was not in any way concerned about his own safety; his whole mind was occupied in devising means to secure the safety of Lady Margaret, and of little when she was found. Busy with this riddle, he moved at a rapid toward the Netherbow Port. He scarcely knew the direction he had taken, and the dense fog concealed the landmarks which might have reminded him that he was moving away from the resting place of her ladyship. A dark figure passed under one of the feeble lamps, noiselessly and swiftly. When a few steps in advance of him the figure slackened its pace, and without looking round, spoke.

"Do not start or make any sign that I am speaking to you. I am a friend. You are followed by those who mean you harm. Can you risk yourself with me?"

"Who are you?"
"I have said a friend."
"You have said so."
"And you desire proof?"

"Surely."
"And I have none to give you here, except my word, and that I am your friend, Gilbert Elliott, and the friend of Walter Spens."

"You know me?"
"Yes. Will you follow me?"
"Whither?"
"You shall see."

"At the expense of what risk?"
"Not so much risk as you will have in turning back."

"Go on—I take you."
"Follow me close, and do not hesitate to pass wherever I lead."

The figure was that of a man, and quickened his pace again till he reached the Port. The sentinel challenged him, and the mysterious guide whispered some words in the man's ear.

A postern was hastily opened, and the stranger passed through, with Gilbert at his heels. The postern closed instantly. They were now in Canongate, which was at that time a burgh, independent of the city, under the charter of David I. The pious monarch, as the legend runs, was marvellously saved from the attack of a furious stag in Drum-selch (to-day, Drum-selch) by the intervention of a mysterious cross, and in token of gratitude founded the Abbey of the Holy Rood, and among numerous other privileges to its canons, the power of erecting a burgh betwixt the Abbey and the Nether-bow Port. They had not gone many yards from a Canongate when they heard the sentinel of the Port giving out his challenge again. They heard the postern open slowly, and their pace was quickened. Suddenly Gilbert's singular guide gripped him by the arm and dragged him into a dark passage. Gilbert had scarcely time to lay his hand upon his sword, when a door was opened and he was dragged inside, just as he had been dragged into the passage. The door closed, and his footsteps, as if in pursuit of some one, passed down the close or wynd. Gilbert's arm was still in the grasp of his mysterious friend, but he could see nothing, as the light was in darkness profound.

"You hear," said the mysterious one, as the footsteps passed, "they are seeking you."

"And I, coward like, have been flying from them. I will go at once."

He was interrupted by a firm but kindly voice.

"Nay, nay, Master Gilbert, there is better work for you to do. Step warily."

They descended a steep narrow staircase, and then Gilbert followed his guide along a narrow passage, at the end of which a door opened and admitted them into a small square chamber, which was illumined by the subdued light of a closed lantern hanging from the roof. Everything combined to add so much to the mystery which surrounded his strange friend, that Gilbert's bewilderment increased every instant. He now, however, raised himself of the light to examine his guide. He discovered little by his inspection, for the face was turned from him, and the figure was enveloped in a large mantle reaching to the heels. Presently the hat and cloak were thrown aside, and Gilbert recognized the Chevalier Night, whose head was still covered by the skull cap and his face by the black mask.

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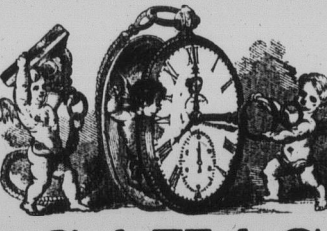
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