THURSDAY EV'NG, MAY 20, 1869 Jeannie Sinclair. THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

CHAPTER XXVII.

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he paused and looked up from the letter." "1 judged him capable of any crime,' re-marked Robert. "But was the Baronet killed or drowned in the well—is he positively dead? asked Wil-liam, who, Heaven forgive him, was chiefly concerned to know this one fast. "And will Lynedoch be convicted?' inquir-ed Robert as eagerly and breathlessly—this being the point of most interest to him. Watty could answer the questions only by going on with the reading of the letter, which he did forthwith. "Maebody wad hae kenned onything aboot it fif hada been for a gipsy callant that was up amang the iry seekin' for hoolets, and saw and heard everything, and cam' an' tell' the folk that was seekin' for the missin' "Dead? Durst in William impetuously. "Lord, hoo ye fricht a body ' cried Watty, starting so violently as to drop the letter. "For hearen's aske, be quick and let me know ih e was dead', said the agitated youth, santching up the paper and handing it to its owne. A minute of intoletale sus-speape. Which to William semed an agitated youth, santching up the paper and handing it to its owne. A minute of intoletale sus-spense, which to William semed an agitated youth, santching up the paper and handing it to its owne. A minute of intoletale sus-spense, which to William semed an age.

and resume— 4 - got Sir Fergus lyin' there, blashedand stiff, and deid.'<math>4hl' = sicquisted William, with a longbreath—and agan we require to say Heavenforgive bin, for the feeling which accompani-ed the sigh was not a feeling of sorrow ordisappointment.'But is there proof to convict?' enquiredRobert.

Robert. Go on, Watty, and see if the letter says anything about that, they exclaimed. 'If the only evidence is the young gipsy, wo fear the villain will escape.' Thus admonished, Watty resumed the read-ing of the epistle-'MaisterLyendoch was tried yesterday, and -and-'

"And what,]Watty ?' cried Robert, breath-

'There's a blot here. I canna mak' it oct.'
'Oh, confound it. Let me see if I can't make it out? cried Douglas, snatching in his uncontrollable impatience the letter from Watty's bands. In a moment his quick eye deciphered the words at and after the blot, thus: 'Ada was found quilty, and is to be hanged in three weeks.'
'Bravo. I'm glad of that,' said the youth with a tone of undisguised satisfaction handing back the letter.'
'Doesn't he deserve it, the wretch?--most inbly deserve it. Three weeks why, 'tis three weeks since the letter was written. In all probability this is the very day of execution.'

Fiton. "Guid sake, only think o' that." 'Any more news of a general kind, Wat-'Asked William, his face strangely flush and his eye unnaturally bright. Once more Watty glued his eyes to the

Once more Waity glued his eyes to the hetter— Be shure tas tell Maister Robert s' aboot this, and Maister Denma tae. Miss Ellen is guite weel, and is mair extraordinar', sae is Miss Jeannie, for a' Sir Fergus has been kill-ed. Noo, is that no strange, Waity, seein' that she was tae hae been marrit tae Sir Fer-gus? I'm shure I wadna be quite weel if ory o' thae wild Californy folk was tae kill you; bit, hooever, I has my nain thochta as tae the meaning o'it. And noo, Waity, I any I mau nasswer the question ye speired in yer letter, gif I loe ye as muckle'— "Ay, said Waity, suddenly stopping short and colouring crimson, 'that's a' the letter that's o'general interest.' The others langhed and went outside. Here they yang new's eyes met, and instinctively they grasped each other's hand. TO BE CONTINUED.

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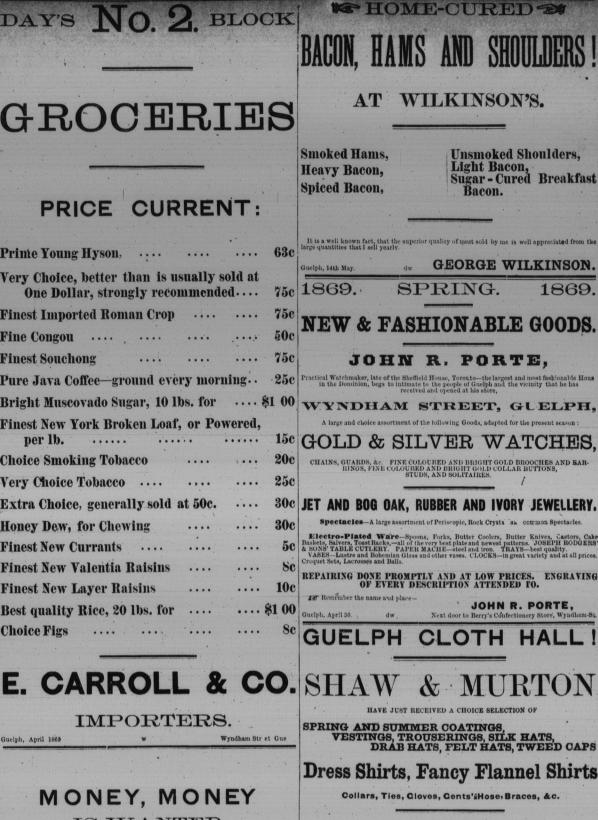
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