

FRIDAY EV'G. JULY 3, 1868.

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

She threw round his neck a chain of gold to which was pendant a jewelled crucifix of rare value.

"I will," he continued with a steady quiet voice.

"New, Master Elliott," broke in Mistress Douglas with a degree of impatience, "I am ready to conduct you safely hence."

"Thanks, thanks, I attend. Good bye, Aly, my bonny lass. Good bye, madam, until to-morrow when you shall raise your head with the noblest, when the honour of your husband shall be purified and shown to the world stainless as it ever has been."

He quitted the chamber, and presently was in sight of the main corridor. He clasped the dainty hand of his guide warmly.

"Farewell!" He seemed to wish to say more without being able to find words to say it.

"You say farewell to me," she said a little coldly.

"I dare not say more."

"Or if I dared I would say only this—I would that I could love you as I feel you should be loved."

The hand he held trembled in his, and there was something humid glistening in the dark bright eyes.

"You are a riddle Master Elliott," she said with affected gaiety—a gaiety which only showed the more plainly that something troubled her— "You are a riddle, which I fear your poor head will never be able to read. Adieu."

She snatched her hand away and hastily disappeared, leaving Gilbert with the thought that he too had found a riddle which he could not read.

Two men were seen standing in the dark at the head of one of the outside staircases on the Canongate side of the Netherbow Port.

"He stays at Mrs. Nichol's in the Cowgate," said one.

"I'll find the place."

"Give him this note; it appoints a meeting on the moor."

"Well?"

"He will follow you."

"An' syne, when he's there?"

"Strike him down as you would a fatted bullock."

"Supposing the folk find him, will they not suspect?"

"Chut—carry him to the Tower. They will not find him there."

"I'll do your will."

And the two men separated.

CHAPTER XVI.—THE TEST OF TRUTH.

And a trumpet pealing wild and far Amidst the ancient rocks was blown,

Till the Alps replied to that voice of war With a thousand of their own,

And through the forest glooms Flashed helmets to the day.

And the wind was tossing knightly plumes Like pine boughs in their play.

"Ye'll gang to see the sport the day, neebor?" "Certes, ay."

The questioner was a wiry little sharp faced weaver, with a cast in his eye which gave him a decidedly malicious expression of countenance, albeit the man was, in sooth, one of the simplest, save in the matter of politics, wherose he was prepared to tackle the whole Town Council, Provost, Bailies, and all.

The respondent was a burly short-legged flesher, whose round jovial countenance would have suggested a jovial disposition, and would have been florid only the keen frosty air of the misty morning tinged it blue.

He had an honest admiration for muscle in a man, such as he had an honest admiration for flesh on a bullock. Therefore he answered his neighbor's question with a gustative tone, for he admired all feats of strength.

The place was the ricketty jumble of odd picturesque wooden buildings lying against the Kirk of St. Giles, and known as the Lucken Booths. The light of the winter day had not dawned yet, but with the help of oil lamps and flickering candles the industrious citizens were already astir and putting their shops in order for the day's business. And as light after light twinkled in the shops like glowworms in the dark the theme of gossip between neighbor and neighbor was the forlorn coming combat between the champion of Halatane's lady and the unknown accuser of herself and husband.

The news of the trial had been passed from hostelry to hostelry, from mouth to mouth, on the previous evening, and the whole city was agog with the topic. Popular favor was all against the unfortunate accused, and all on the side of the unknown accuser. The fact of the latter concealing his name militated in no degree against his credit, for the rancour of kinsmen and followers was well recognized, and no blame was attached to the man who attempted to avoid hereditary feud. Had an excuse for his reserve been needed it would have been found in the recent case of Sir Robert Ker of Fairniebirst, Warden of the Middle Marches, who, having been murdered by three Borderers, his kinsmen persistently followed the assassin's path for months until they had killed two of them, and only allowed the third (the Bastard Heron) to escape on crediting a report of his death.

So the folks having gone to bed with the combat between them and their heads, wakened in the morning with it fresh in their memory. Thus the weaver—

"There'll be braw sport, quothe."

"I'm thinking sae, for a roystering sodger had tauid me yestreen that the lady's champion is a Gentleman of the Queen's Guard, and as burly a callant as ye might wish to see."

"Fair laddie, it maun be some silly notion of romance that's gurt him throw awa' his valuable life for sic a cause. It'll be a lang day and a short one afore he catch me daeing sic like folly."

"I would be bounden for ye to keep the peace myself, neebor—wi' your hands at any rate," answered the flesher with a big fatty guffaw, wherast the weaver boldly winced, thinking with some reason that his manly courage was being called in question.

"I hope ye dianna think I'd hear myself miscad' without knowing what for?"

He contrived with the assistance of his squint to look very fierce as he put the question.

"Nay, nay, ye haud your ain wi' ony o' us, gentle or simple, nae doot, nae doot," responded the burly flesher, patronisingly, and stretching his short legs as long as he could raise his round body up to the hook upon which he was hanging his sign.

More might have followed upon this head, for the weaver was not easily to be put down so long as his tongue might defend his dignity; but the attention of the neighbors was attracted by the approach of a man from the direction of St. Mary's Stair. An old man, whose dress was somewhat disarrayed, and whose countenance expressed alarm enough to suggest that he had seen some unusual spectacle at the shrine of St. Mary in the niche above the wall at the head of the stair.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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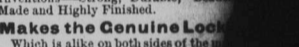
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