The Braes of Yarrow Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

The Queen advanced slowly to her, and to traise her kindly from her kneeling posture.

But as Margaret Barras and Spens, my friend, my companion, and my follower, i prove how well I have remembered you by reomising that for eight weeks from this day you shall live under my protettion to gand come as you list. At the end of that period I trust you shall have found, the proofs that will cleanae your husband's honor of the black stain now resting on it. But whether you have found them or not, I must then complete my duty to the State and resign you to other hands. Rise now; for a little while we are friends again.'

Lady Spens could only grasp the hands which were given to her in token of protection and friendship, and kiss them with tearful gratitude.

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The unexpected fermination of an address hich had began so ominously took all present by surprise—a surprise as happily apeared for the most part to have given satisticin, although one or two countenances opressed doubt of the propriety of what had sen done.

peared for the most part to have given satisfaction, although one or two countenances expressed doubt of the propriety of what had been done.

My lords, said her Majesty as she was about to retire, 'I trust you will make known may humor in this matter; and for the time I have mentioned I will be bounden for this lady's safe keeping.

T pray you, my liege, hear this matter to an end, broke in Angus hastily.

Thave heard enough for the present, and I have spoke my will.

"Rone here can pity the lady's position more than I—none would be more willing to help her to her desire, but justice must be done. The accuser of her husband and hereal' is within call——

"Ha, asy you; let us see the man."

"First let this be understood, that I have promised him safe passage of the Council, for, to avoid the evil that might follow upon the revelation of his crime, his person must be unknown, unless yor 'Majesty will consent to see the man in presence only of their lordships.

"Bring him hither, I say,' was the impatient ejaculation of the Queen; 'by my sooth, my Lord Anjus, it seems that you would have your beheest and not mine followed.'

"Your Majesty shall be obeyed."

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"Your heat mad bold as that of one accustomed to jack and saddle. His face was overed by a cloth mask, and, as if its conceal it as he knet before the Queen, he bowed his head down low.

"The Queen turned from him with a certain degree of contempt in her manner."

"My Lord, Arran, question the fellow.'

Spoak, sirrah, said Arran grully, 'what proof have your of this accusation?'

"The proofs, your lordship knows, have been already given to the Qouncil.'

"Then what seek you here?"

"This only—that to satisfy all men I have apoken honestly, I denounce, in the Queen's prevence persons of Haistane a trattor to his King and country; and swear that I hold dury words in the lists against any man the lady will find bold enough to defend her cause.'

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cause. 'My liege, my liege,' cried Lady Spens hastily, 'this is—'
'Hush—let us hear the end.'
'I take your challenge for my lady s sake, liar and villain though you be.
The accuser sprung to his feet and turned fiercely upon the speaker.
It was Gibert Elliott who had advanced from his position near the door and stood confronting the accuser.
'You speak brave enough,' said the latter sneering.

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'And, with the saint's help, will do what I say. Walter Spiens of Halstane is innocent of all thought or word or deed of treachery, and his lady is blameless as the Queen herself. In this fellow who denounces them behold Adam Scott of Tushielaw.'

As he spoke he plucked the mask from Tushielaw's face.

'Fiends burn you,' uttered the Borderer below his breath.

'Tushielaw, continued Gilbert calmly, 'the riever, outlaw, and murderer, who seeks to shield himself from the consequences of his guilt by casting the blame uron innocent shoulders. I denounce him beiore your Majesty and your lordships, and I am ready when and where you list to prove my words upon his body.'

'To-morrow, then, let this matter be decided,' said the Queen.

Accompanied by her ladies, and taking Lady Spens with her, the Queen withdrew.'

Tushielaw lowed to the nobles and seemed anxious to retire. Arran stopped him.

'Stay, Scott, you must fird some one who will be surety for your appearance to-morrow.'

'You need not fear that I will fail.'

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'You need not fear that I will fail.'
'Natheless, we must have the surety.'
'My Lord, Angus, then, will answe: for as.'

me.' Mayus, exclaimed Arran, raising his heavy eyebrows, 'is this so, my lord?' 'I will answer for him,' said Angus curly as he wheeled about and retired, followed by Tushieiaw.

'For you, Master Elliott, we do not doubt that, as a gentleman of the Queen's Guard, you will full! your engagement.'

Gilbert saluted their lordships and left the chamber.

TO BE CONTINUED.

A FIGHT IN EARNEST—A short time ago in the township of Adelaide, County of Middlesex, a terrible encounter took place between two young men. There had been a chronic fead between them, and happening to meet one proposed that they should go into the field and have it out. They accordingly went at it "rough and tumble," and one received so much roughing and tumbling that he has since died from the injuries.

DESIRBLE, IP POSSIBLE.—Woodstock in-tends trying how it will go to have a half holiday every Friday during the summer months. There will probably be some difficulty in carrying out the intention.

CHEESE—The Messrs. Hager have again commenced their cheese factory in Palermo, and are now manufacturing 2,500 lbs of milk daily.

Aparty of roughs fired revolvers at the Volunteers on duty at the drill shed in Brantford, on Thursday night. They were pursued, but not captured.

The Globe's Ottawa despatch says Mr. Magill's name is no longer spoken of for a place in the Caoinet. Ministerialists say he could notbe elected, and a Reform Senator is to succeed Mr. Howland.

The strengt T. P. White, Exp. White.

Senator is to succeed Mr. Howland.

The store of T. P. White, Esq., Whitevale, was broken open and robbed of \$366
on Thursday night last. The safe was
blown open.

THE EIGHT HOURS SYSTEM.—The U.
S. Senate has passed a law making eight
hours a legal day's work for all government laborers and mechanics in the United States service.

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