WEDNESDAY EV'G, JUNE 24, 1868

The Braes of Yarrow

It was impossible to hear these warm impalsive words; impossible to look upon the proud beautiful face and not be inspired with a yearning to be worthy of the heart to which it was so fair an index. Something of this dilbert felt, but nothing clearly, for his heart had already enshrined another idol. 'Forgive you,' he said earnestly,' It is I, my lady, who must seek forgiveness. I who have been so churlish as to leave you to think for an instant that anything you could do or say would give me offence. I wish from my heart the service I had rendered you had been more worthy of your remembrance.'

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*Now, my faith, I am pleased that you are not displeased as I began to fear. For the service you could eacreely do anything more worthy of remembrance than you have done in saving me the privilege of memory of any sort on this side of the grave. Ah, bo sure, Master Elitot my debt is not yet paid.'

*You must not think so.

*How, sirrah, stamping her dainty little foot upon the floor, and gaily mimicking the imperative manner of the Queen on the previous evening; 'do you distate?'

He caught her humor and enjoyed the jest.

*Then, lady, since you insist that you are my debtor,' he said, dropping upon one knee with all the air of a courtier presenting a petition to his sovereign, 'I charge you now redeem the debt, and add to it a little credit, so that our positions may change, and I become debtor to you for life.'

There was a vein of sincerity in his tone which combined with his position to startle pretty Mistress Douglas a little.

'Can that be done?' she queried, with the faintest degree of hesitation.

'It can—it can.'

He was thoroughly in earnest now, and in his excitement seized her hand.

She rose to her feet quietly.

'Show me how,' she returned, playfully attempting to wrest her hand away.

'Procure a private audience with the Queen for a very dear friend of mine.'

'An unfortunate lady.'

'A lady?—the hand was snatched away from him now, and the face turned a little to one side; 'go on, who is the lady!

'Margaret Spens.'

The face was turned to him briskly.

'The daughter of Barras—the wife of Walter Spens?'

'The same—the same.'

She shook her head file ari is not safe.'

'But walter Spens was innocent—he has been condemned to ignominy for ever, the life of the poor lady herself life ari is not safe.'

'But walter Spens was innocent—he has been condemned of the same is forbidden in the palace, he is condemned to ignominy as a traitor!'

The is the heart of Gilbert Elliot that speaks and I would not wish it to speak otherwise.'

The same the same is now him him —he was not off her husband, if you had

onesty.'
A little further reflection, and with a bright

smile—
"There is my hand, Master Elliott, 1 will
try to help you—but do not let the lady hope
much, for I have heard the Queen speak verybitterly of Spens."
He pressed her hand to his lip respect-

He presses the fully.

'I cannot speak my thanks, but should the day come when you need help—my life is yours.'

'To-morrow I will acquaint you with the curse to take.'

course to take.'

She touched a silver bell, the page who
had brought Gilbert to the chamber appeared, and conducted him back to the outer

peared, and conducted mini-court.
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