Guelph Evening Mercury

The Braes of Yarrow Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

The rope was thrown over the branch, and two stout fellows held the end ready to hoist the victim into the air at the signal from the chief.

Il you want to say a pater,' he said mockingly, 'you will have time enough to say it whilst you are making your dance; we have not time to wait for your saying beforehand.' She was about to cry for mercy, when an unexpected interruption in the proceedings was caused by the arrival of Heron Barras, who galloped up in hot haste.

'I have been at the tower seeking you,' he said, reining up beside Tushielaw, and then suddenly perceiving what was going forward, he cried, 'why, what play are you at now!— hallo!

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The latter exclamation was eaused by his recognition of the victim. He peered into her face to assure himself that his suspicion was correct. Then he turned to the reiver and said in an undertone—
'Do you know who this is you are to give the crows to pick?'
'Ay, a young knave who has been nearer making crow's meat of me than was ever made before,' was the moody answer.

Barras laughed drily.
'Why this is no man at all,' he whispered.' How no man?'
'Why, none but the dame you have been seeking to wife—none other than my muchloved sister, who has been musquerading in the fool's garb for what frolic! cannot guess.'
This explanation astonished Tushielaw, but it also crabbled him to comprehend with what motive she had risked so much to obtain the proofs of his guilt.
'By my sword,' he muttered presently, 'I like her the better for't. She is a rare wife for a Border rider, and mine she shall be this time without the aid of priest or book.'
He removed the rope from her neck, bade one of the troopers dismount, and lifted the helpless lady into the saddle. She was stupefied by all that had passed, and only instinct enabled her to grasp the pommel of the saddle to keep herself from tumbling down. Tushielaw light hy torches every one of you till the forest blaze again, and the birds begin to sing, thinking that the sun has risen.' The men, not understanding the reason for their chief's altered intention regarding the culp'it, were somewhat puzzled by the elated command they had just received. They, however, promptly proceeded to obey. Those who had not already procured torches were still procuring them when Andrew Howe, with wild mien and sword drawn, rode furiously into their midst and made for his lady.

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At first the suddenness of his attack, and the doubt whether or no he came alone, obtained him free passage; but before he could reach the side of his mistress his horse reared back upon its haunches from the row of Jeddart axes which were leveled at his breast. Andrew wielded his weapon with might and skill, but he was no match single handed against the crowd of men who forbore striking him rather out of respect for his grey hairs than for lack of opportunity. Tushielaw looked round to see the cause of disturbance, and observing Andrew laying about him, hastily shouted—

Bid the old fool back; and if he will not cut him down.

The command was no sooner given than it was executed, and a blow from a Jeddart axe tumbled the faithful servant from his horse with a severe gash on the right shoulder; he was left lying where he fell as they

axe tumbled the faithful servant from his horse with a severe gash on the right shoulder. The was left lying where he fell as they thought dead, and the troop moved at an easy pace forward to the tower. Barras did not display the least interest in faite of his sister further than by inquiring from curiosity, not from any care he had for her, how ahe had done to be in the period of the had found her, and by bidding Tushielaw make sure of her this time. He then explained that he had ridden to the tower to seek him in order to arrange some effective way of disposing of Gilbert Ellie whether way of disposing of Gilbert Ellie whether way of disposing of Gilbert Ellie when he had not he means of attracting to Yarrow as far as Mount. Benger. Discussing the nefarious scheme, saing such mostphors as might deceive Lady Spens if she heard and attended to their gossip, they arrived at the tower

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