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The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the
Sixteenth Century.

CHAPTER XI.—SOMETHING MYSTERIOUS.
Whether it was the mother of one child,
Which, having thought long dead, she found alive,
Let her be proud of that which she hath found;
In her own breast, this mother's joy describe;
For other none such joy can ever find
In perfect form as this good lady found.
When she so fair a daughter saw survive.

Gilbert was conducted safely through the
park to the place where he had found the
page waiting an hour before. His guide
having bade him a sulky adieu, our adven-
turer proceeded with quick strides to the
spot where the Chevalier had arranged to
await his return.

He found him, and briefly related all that
had passed, not omitting the singular com-
munication made to him by the lady who had
accompanied him to the door. The Che-
valier pressed his arm as if in congratulation.
"I trust the lady prophesied truly; and
mayhap her random words were nearer truth
than she or you imagined."

"It may be so, for folk say that fortune fa-
vours all who have hearts stubborn enough to
besiege the jade till she yields."

"And when she yields, do you ever dream
of the form you would have her favors take?"

"The vision is very faint. When my poor
mother lived she would at times when she
was saddest take me down from Halstane to
Binram's Cross, and there, whilst we heard
the Yarrow moaning by us, she would tell
me strange tales of the brave knights of
Binram. Sometimes I dream that I should
like to be one of them, for my mother loved
them, although her family had been at feud
with the lords of Binram for long years."

"Your mother was one of the Elliots of
Minto?"

"Yes, but she lived apart from her family
on account of some quarrel, the nature of
which I have failed to learn hitherto. She
lived at Halstane with her kinsman Walter
Spens, in whose arms she died."

"And where was your father?"

"They walked on a little way in silence—
Then Gilbert, huskily—
"Dead I believe."

"Have you never attempted to make your-
self known to his family—or to adopt his
name?"

"You press me sorely, comrade, but since
we have touched upon this matter we will
finish it now. By snatches I have learned
something of a cruel story from my mother
and from Spens. When she was in direst dis-
tress my father's friends turned coldly from
her. My father himself was many years occu-
pied in the wars of France and the Lower
Country. Either his messages were never
delivered or he had learned to forget his wife."

"You speak harshly."

"And if I do it is because my mother's
memory is so dear to me, and because she suf-
fered cruelly. From the time that I began
to grasp the meaning of these things I said
in the bitterness of my heart that I would
never seek my father or his name; that with
what strength heaven would be pleased to
give me I should make a name for myself
that would rank without a blush beside that
of my father, even had he been the noblest in
the land. So let our gossip end."

To this Chevalier made no response, but
the sad story of a neglected wife which was
thus briefly indicated by Gilbert was not to
end so abruptly as he appeared to desire—
Far removed, as it seemed, from his present
life, it was one of the currents which was to
swell the tide of his affairs much more than
he anticipated.

They were now on the south side of Carou-
gate, and not far from Netherbow Port. They
stopped at the foot of one of those narrow
outside staircases peculiar to the construc-
tion of the houses of that period.

"We have something to learn here, per-
haps," whispered the Chevalier; "something
that may concern our cause nearly. Step
sofly."

They ascended the staircase, and the Che-
valier, after passing his hand carefully over
the door, pressed one of the nails with his
finger. No sound was heard, but presently
the door was cautiously opened and the two
men entered. The door closed in the same
cautious manner as it had opened.

Then a light, which appeared to be placed
on the top of the child's head, moved along in
the passage before them, up two steps at the
back part of the house, and into a small three
cornered chamber which had apparently been
designed originally for a pantry.

The light was lowered to the ground and
Gilbert recognized in its bearer, Horatio the
dwarf.

A look of intelligence passed between the
two.

"You have met before," said the Chevalier.
"Yes," responded Gilbert quickly, "with
his aid I gained entrance to Tushie's tower-
er, and—"

"Whilst—hand your whilst," interrupted the
dwarf, with a comical expression of alarm on
his big disproportioned face; "I won't, would
ye put red hot embers among dry bars?"

And he touched with his finger towards
the wall as if indicating the danger of being
overheard. The next minute he extinguished
the light.

The sound of voices from another apart-
ment reached Gilbert's ear, and the promunc-
iation of his own name and that of Lady
Spens quickened his curiosity.

The Chevalier drew him to the wall, a por-
tion of the panelling was removed, and a
diamond shaped eye-hole admitted the light
from the next chamber. Gilbert looked thro'
the hole and perceived those arch conspira-
tors, Adam Scott of Tushie's and the sham
friar Simon.

There was a third to whom both seemed to
pay particular attention, and upon whom
both seemed to be earnestly trying something.
This third person owned a gaunt figure, tall,
muscular, and youthful, with a keen dark
eye, and a bearing haughty as that of the
Pride of manhood.

He spoke with a decisive tone of authority.
"Now, mark me, with the person you name
I have nothing to do. To-night you have
blundered as the stupidest gilly to be found
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"We did not get the full signal," growled
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