

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

'How did you get safe away with the dispatch?' By outwitting the fox. Binram believes he has bought me body and soul to his interest by promising me a hundred crowns and advancement on the day that he weds my mistress.

'Zounds and the devil, what is that?—him wed Mistress Douglas?' 'Such is his purpose.'

'We'll mar it, then.' 'So he permitted me to see her alone, and she gave me that missive. I got her to scribe me another, which I could give to his lordship. That she did; and when I gave it him he believed that I had given him all. He allowed me to ride as far as Peebles that my mistress might believe I had journeyed on her errand, little dreaming that I did so in truth. He is even now concocting some scheme to complete the deception he is practicing upon her.'

'You have done well, Crawford, and I for one will not hesitate to trust you in this business,' said Lindsay after having read the letter, which he had obtained authority from Gilbert to do.

'Thank you, Captain, thank you,' ejaculated the page, his eyes glistening with gratitude for this restoration to confidence.

'Now you must take this letter to her ladyship, and deliver it to her secretly. But lest all should happen to me, I will tell you the contents. It bids Mistress Douglas hold herself ready during vespers to run into the court as soon as she shall hear a bugle sound thrice; the chase is up. It bids her make way in spite of every peril, for in the court she will find friends.'

'I will remember, and if it may be contrived I will be near her at the hour to hold her away from the chapel.'

'Go then, and you shall find a better reward in true service to the unhappy lady, than in all the lying pledges of your brother of Satan.'

'You shall find me helping the good work, or you shall find me dead.'

Crawford returned to the Priory, while Lindsay, having procured certain articles of apparel he required and a second horse, made for Glengaber.

Barras was waiting for the page, and as soon as he appeared questioned whether he had seen aught of Elliott.

'Nothing, my lord.'

'Good; that will enable you to play the part I have prepared for you with a better grace.'

'I am ready, my lord,' said Crawford, with every symptom of passive submission to the will of his new master.

'You shall carry this billet back to your mistress, and tell her that you have heard that Master Elliott has fallen by some of the hands of Tushielaw's riders, who had sworn that he should forfeit his life for the sake of Pate Scott, whom he had slain.'

'Yes, my lord.'

'To remove all doubt from her mind, say you had the news from one of the fellows who did the work. You may speak with conviction, for Elliott will not live to contradict you.'

'Shall I see my lady now?' 'Yes.'

Crawford was taken into the receiving room, and in a few minutes Mistress Douglas, veiled and in the same white garb in which he had seen her in the morning, appeared behind the grating.

His back was towards the door, and looking steadily in the face of his mistress, trying by his expression to show her he was repeating a false message. At the same time he handed her the missives he had received from Lindsay and Barras. The first was apparent, and she recognised the penmanship of Gilbert.

This enabled her to understand Crawford's significant look as he faithfully echoed the story Barras had taught him, and delivered to her the small golden crucifix, which was the same Gilbert had received from Lady Spens, and which Barras had taken from him when he was in the dungeon of Tushielaw Tower.

Catching quickly at her part, Mary uttered a cry of distress, and clung to the grating as if to prevent herself from falling.

'Then my last hope is gone,' she exclaimed with well-feigned despair.

The Prioreess herself, as if attracted by the cry, entered hurriedly to conduct Mistress Douglas to her chamber. She heard the words just spoken, and a cold smile of satisfaction—hidden by her veil—passed over her face, which displayed a singular resemblance to that of her son at that moment.

'To-morrow I will need you again, Crawford,' Mary said softly, as she submitted to be led away with an air of despairing resignation that completely imposed upon the wily Mother Ursula.

'My daughter,' said the latter with affected sympathy as soon as she had closed the door, 'if you have permitted the passions of the sinful world to hold so firm a place in your breast that they can move you to anguish such as you now suffer, bethink you of the great source of consolation, and humble your proud heart at the foot of the cross.'

'I will obey you, madam.'

'Or if my experience can in any way comfort you, my daughter, I will stay with you and—'

'You are very kind, madam,' interrupted Mary a little spitefully, and on the point of forgetting her mark in her fear of being burdened with the woman's society. 'But I will be better alone, although I am sensible of the gratitude your proffer merits.'

'May the sweet Virgin soften your heart, my daughter, for I fear that it is even harder than I at first believed.'

'Amen, amen,' ejaculated Mistress Douglas, crossing her hands with mock solemnity.

The Prioreess regarded her with a sharp, suspicious glance, then made the sign of the cross, and, with a sigh for the perversity of the wicked creature before her, slowly withdrew.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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