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SATURDAY EV'G. APRIL 25, 1868.

#### POETRY.

##### DON'T CROWD.

Don't crowd! this world is broad enough  
For you as well as me—  
The doors of heaven are opened wide—  
The realm of thought is free,  
Of all earth's places you are right,  
To choose the best you can,  
Provided that you do not try  
To crowd some other man.

What matter, though you scarce can count  
Your piles of golden ore,  
While he can hardly strive to keep  
His Gaunt Famine from his door?  
Of willing hands and honest hearts  
Alone should man be proud;  
Then give him all the room he needs,  
And never try to crowd.

Don't crowd, proud Miss! your dainty silk  
Will gladden none the less  
Because it comes in contact with  
A beggar's tattered dress;  
This lovely world was never made  
For you and I alone;  
A poorer has a right to tread  
The pathway to a throne.

Don't crowd the good from out your heart,  
By fostering all that's bad;  
But give to every virtuous man  
The best that may be had;  
Be each day's record such a one  
That you may well be proud;  
Give each his right, and each his room,  
And never try to crowd.

### The Maiden's Choice

OR THE LAIRD OF BIRKENCLUECH  
A Tale of the Covenanters.

The wind had lulled, but was not gone,  
For cold gusts still sped across the hills,  
and though there was a clearing toward the  
south-east, where the sun shone, the sky in  
the north was angry and threatening, giving  
token that the storm was not spent.

Helen had made but a cursory and almost  
momentary survey of the scene, when Sir  
Gilbert, disturbed probably by the cold current  
of frosty air which rushed in through  
the open door, started half-up from his bed  
among the grass, rubbed his eyes, and ex-  
claimed—

"Puddin' and painches! where am I?"

For some moments he gazed round in  
astonishment, failing to recollect their position,  
but a rapid glance at the cave within,  
at the snow-clad heights without, and at the  
form of Helen standing between him and the  
dazzling light, brought all to his mind, and,  
shaking the grass from off him, he started up.

"Odd sake," he cried, "I had clean forgotten  
where we are."

"But where is it we are?" asked Helen, with  
a puzzled air. "How did we get here, for I  
remember nothing about it?"

"I daursay ye dinna, my pet, for the cauld  
had maist done for ye a'ither; and I had  
Patie no brocht us tae this place at the  
moment he did, bairn you and me had been  
sleepin' o'or last sleep among the snaw.  
But ye are better this mornin', I see, and  
are, nae dook, very hungry."

"Oh, yes, I am better, quite better," she  
gaily replied. "I have had such a sound and  
refreshing sleep, and I do feel hungry. But,  
oh dear, what are we to do? We are shut in  
among the hills, apparently far from help,  
and far from food."

As Helen said this, she looked up in the  
Baronet's face with an expression of grave  
contemplation, at which the latter burst out  
in laughter.

"We are maybe no sae far frae food as ye  
think," he said, with a mysterious air. "I had  
a richt royal supper last night at ony rate,  
and I wadna wonder if the breakfast will be  
as bountiful."

"Provisions here!" exclaimed Helen. "In  
this cave? Is it inhabited?"

"Whisht," said Sir Gilbert, impressively,  
as he looked round rather alarmed. "I'll  
shut the door, and tell ye 'a'bout it."

The bar being replaced, the Baronet led  
her to the still glowing embers of the fire,  
and tossed on a few fresh logs, which imme-  
diately produced a blaze. Then he cast an  
other cautious glance around, and said in a  
whisper—

"This is the cave o' the Canny Man o' Fairy  
Haugh."

"He of whom the landlord spoke?"

"The very same, and a queer carle he is, I  
can tell ye—w' lang white hair hangin' o'wer  
his shoulders, and a beard white as snaw  
fa' in tae his waist. They ca' him a Canny  
Man, but I muckle doubt he's very canny.  
He's been in the iiber end, through that door,  
aside a coo, and twa goats, and Patie."

"Then he has given up his own habitation  
to us," said Helen.

"Deed has he, bod, lassie, ye has been  
sleepin' in his bed 'a' night."

"This is very kind o' him. Poor old man,  
who can he be?"

"He's a warlock," answered Sir Gilbert, in  
a tone of awe. "I've seen his mortal an' he  
if we anger him he micht dae us muckle ill;  
but we maun speak him fair."

"Oh, Sir Gilbert," she returned, "it is  
foolish to give heed to the superstitious be-  
liefs of the people. This old man, who he  
may be, is as harmless and impotent as  
any other human being."

"Whisht—Lord love ye, lassie, dinna slicht  
his powers in that gate. He deals in witch-  
craft, I tell ye."

"Oh, Sir Gilbert, there is no such thing as  
witchcraft."

"Ye'r wrang, lassie. This man is a war-  
lock, for I had proof o' it. Last night he  
called the horse Patie, though I hadna told  
him that was his name."

"Yes, but he would hear ye call him, Patie,"  
said Helen, with a smile.

"No, as shure as anything, no. But, Lord  
help us, here he comes. Noo, lassie, tak  
care what ye say, and dinna anger him."

Helen saucily shook her head, and laughed  
merrily as she turned to greet the host she  
had not seen, but who was heard opening  
the door of communication between the two  
chambers. Presently he appeared dressed  
as on the previous evening, and he advanced  
several paces into the cavern ere he caught  
sight of Helen standing by the fire. But no  
sooner did his eye light on her than he start-  
ed back with sudden impetuosity, and an  
impulse to rush back again seemed to seize  
him. He did not do, however, but stood  
still on the spot, powerfully agitated.

"Without observing, or determined not to  
notice his strange demeanour, Helen walked  
briskly towards him, with a sweet smile upon  
her fair face.

"Oh, sir," she exclaimed, "how can we  
thank you for your kindness in sheltering us  
at such inconvenience to yourself? To you I  
owe my life, for I have just been told—that  
indeed, I already knew—that but for your  
generous hospitality, I would not have been  
restored to consciousness, but must have—"

She faltered and stopped, for an awful ex-  
pression of his eyes struck her with dismay,  
or a feeling akin to it. The sight of these  
eyes produced a strange indescribable feel-  
ing in her soul. She noticed that Sir Gil-  
bert had noticed before, that their fiery bril-  
liancy had no affinity with the aged and  
wrinkled countenance which he had failed to  
perceive. The wrinkles of age were indeed  
there, and the snowy hair and beard were  
those of an old, old man, but the face was  
plumper and less shrunken than a face  
should be that belonged to one so venerable.  
Its youthful countenance was not to be mis-  
taken, and the features called up in Helen's  
mind a puzzled glimmering of recognition  
which she was utterly at a loss to identify.  
But the impression, though inexplicable,  
was so strong as to make her suddenly silent.

"I want no thanks," said the Recluse, in a  
hoarse, hollow voice, so indicative of passion-  
ate bitterness that the Baronet, fearful she  
had offended him, hastened to mollify his  
wrath, by exclaiming—

"Di na mind her, canny man, she's young  
and v'nturesome, and has nae proper respect  
—and—and fear—for me sae—sae wise and  
—and poor's as yersel'!"

"'Fcat!" cried Helen, finding her voice

Indeed I returned the Hermit, gravely and  
severely, "and what if I give you proof of  
such power?"

"I would not believe it," said Helen, with a  
saucy smile.

"Lassie, are ye demented?" cried Sir Gil-  
bert, in nervous alarm. "Dinna heed her,  
Canny Man. She dinna ken what she's sayin';  
and for ony sake dinna gie us ony proof o'  
yer power. I has nae doot in it—nae what-  
ever."

"What will satisfy you?" asked the Hermit  
addressing Helen. "Will you believe it if I  
tell whether you are bound—that you are on  
your way to Glenochilte, to visit Sir Thomas  
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