

Clan Wars!

It was a cauld windy day in the south of Scotland.

There was a small farm in the middle of nowhere. The farm had four buildings the main house, two barns and an old bath house. The farm also had four fields, two for the sheep and two for the pigs and cows.

When Euan and Tom were coming back up the hill on a glauered mashed up cobbled road, they were bringing back a dead wild boar, while looking over at the border line and talking about why the Romans hadn't built a bigger wall.

Tom said "I wonder why Mickey always cooks?"

Mickey was a very energetic housewife that could only speak small pieces of the Sassenach but with those few words she could break down any Sassenach's gate.

Euan replied "Ach, well it's a lassie's job. You could do the cooking if your were a wee lass."

Euan walked on, laughing. Tom followed from behind.

As they walked into the house, Mickey said, "Guid day."

She kept stirring chicken in the brown pot.

Mickey said "Did ye see any English yet."

Tom walked in the door and said "Na we didnae see anythin."

The two men sat down at the table and looked at the food cooking slowly, some fire spilling over the metal bars.

Mickey said "Cruikshanks is jist in th' bath hoose."

Cruikshanks loved the bathhouse. It was built Roman style. It was small with one shallow bath heated by fire underneath. The bath was a semi circle and the door was opened all the time.

There were two toilets with curtains surrounding them. As he sat there in the bath looking out of the door he could see white figures moving closer on the hill. They disappeared behind the hill. Cruikshanks jumped up

and quickly got dressed, grabbed his sword, spear, shield and axe! Running outside he saw seven Sassenachs charging towards him. They let out a war cry while waving their swords in the air. Crookshanks swung his axe and knocked two troops into the air. They went up like arrows leaving their shoes behind them. The rest of the English ran off in grief.

Cruikshanks shouted "THAT WULL TEACH YE !!"

He walked inside and sat down to ask,

"Whit's fur tea?"

Mickey replied "Three hours till we eat 'n' 'th' English ur having a band the nicht sae we ur gaun there taenight."

A few hours later, after they had their tea, they were walking to the English castle on the other side of the wall. Disguises were made for Mickey, a noble man for Tom, and knights for Euan and Crookshanks

As they walked in the back gate of the castle Mickey got lost and ended up at the front entrance. The guard soon started asking questions to her that she didn't understand.

The guard asked, "What's your name?"

Mickey soon looked at him and said it in the best English she could.

Mickey said, " Moran Taing. Whoops wrong language."

The guard shouted, "Stop that woman!!"

Mickey started running faster and faster. The guards tried to catch her but kept slipping in glaur. She ran into the castle and up the stairs to the first floor. She ran along the hallway till she reached a balcony where she was surrounded by the English guards so she jumped over the side of the balcony and landed on the sandler swinging from side to side.

Then Mickey shouted "Ah dinnae lik' this!"

No one on the ground noted this beside Cruikshanks were Tom and Euan.

The sandler couldn't hold the weight much longer and, as it fell, people on the lower floor ran screaming from the building.

Mickey got up when a large number of guards came in and surrounded her. Luckily she had her masses in her pocket and swung it at them. They all fell

Mickey said ,“S math sin.”

Tom said ,“That’s Gaelic.”

As they walked home they looked back at the castle and the wall. Everything was in darkness apart from the small white ghost that only Mickey could see. Her father was a Roman soldier. As a cauld wind blew from the highlands he disappeared into a light, never to be seen again. That night instead of sleeping a normal dream she dreamt a braw dream in the cauld braw smirr.

In her dream were her father’s last dying words

Her father’s last words were “ The Clan Wars. Get Ready For The CLAN WAR’S!!”

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