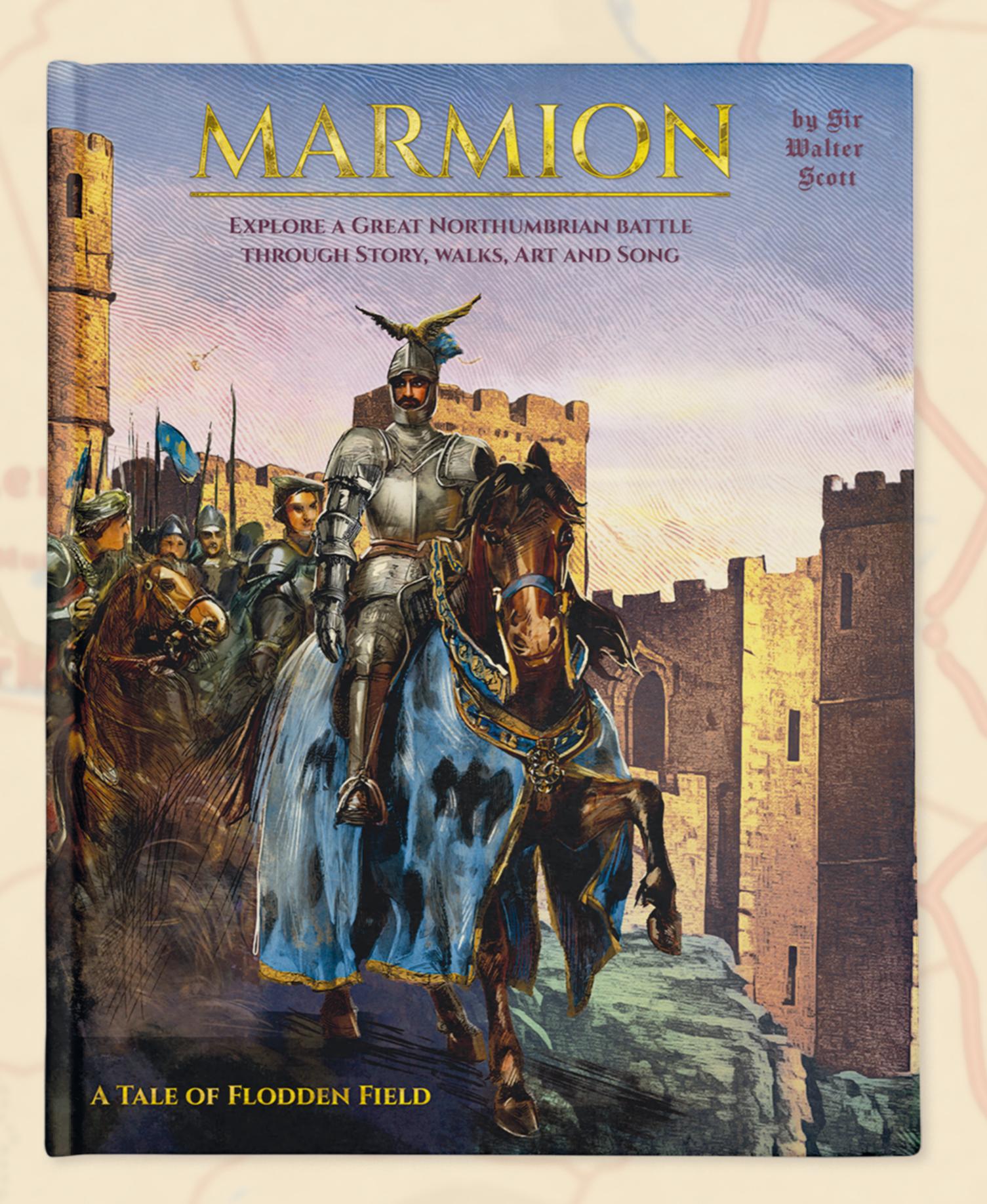
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**In order to pursue marriage with Clara de Clare** and secure her large inheritance Marmion needs her fiance Sir Ralph de Wilton out of the picture. **Marmion's mistress Constance de Beverly** (a former nun) helps him forge documents implicating de Wilton in a plot. **De Wilton challenges Marmion to a duel** but loses and is left for dead. Marmion is sent by King Henry VIII as a peace envoy to the court of King James IV of Scotland in an attempt to avoid a possible war. At Norham Castle just near the border with Scotland Marmion requests a guide. **But who is this mysterious Palmer leading Marmion and his band through Scotland to Dun Edin?** 

**After a long period of absence I returned to Northumberland** realising that I had somewhat overlooked the beautiful landscapes and rich history of where I grew up.

On discovering the story of Marmion I was pleasantly surprised to learn that this work of literature is set largely in my home county and wondered why I had not known of it before. The Battle of Flodden Field (around which this story is based) still has significance in the minds of many Scots though it is less commonly known in the Anglosphere. – Dan Ashton (editor)

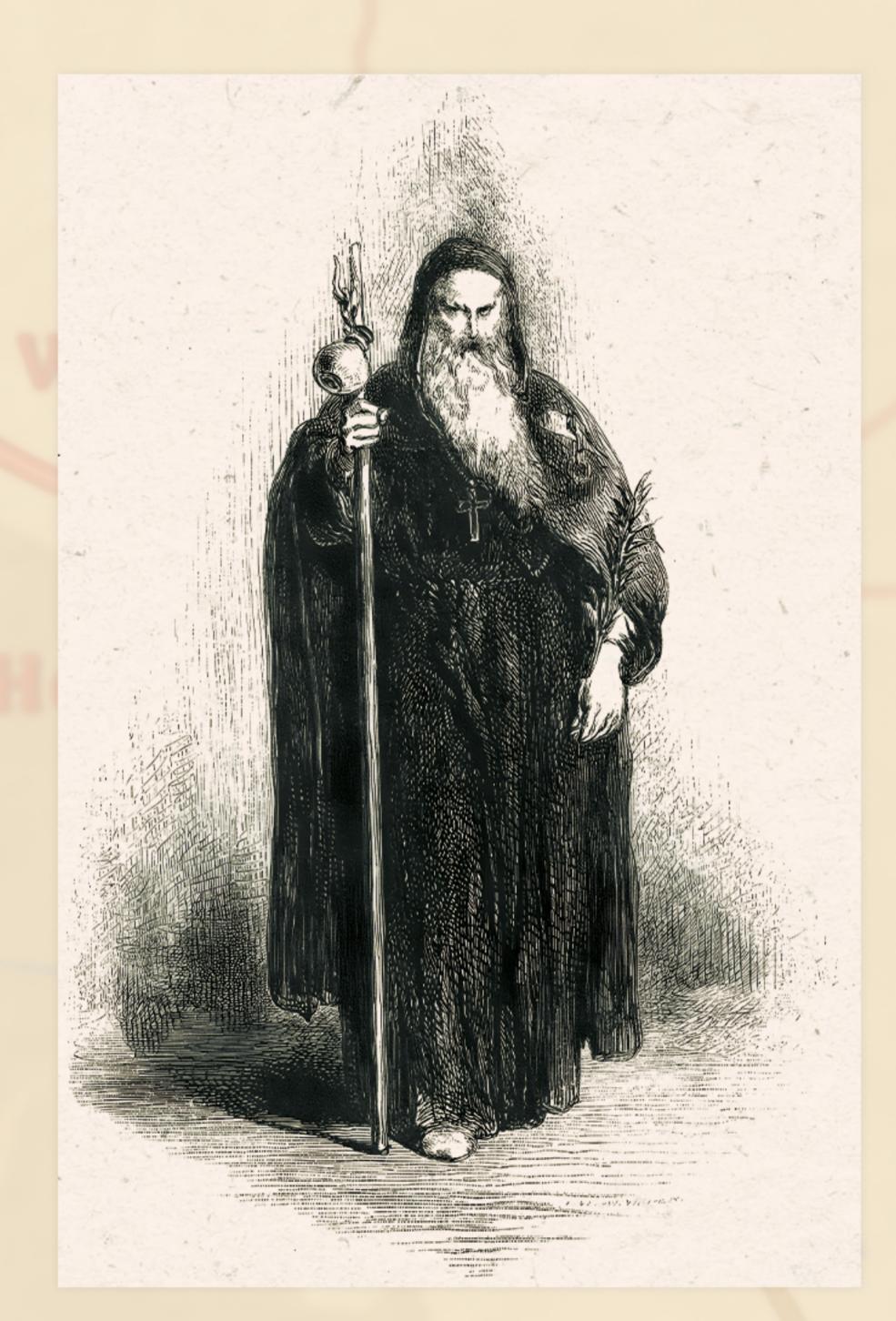


"Oh, what a tangled webs we weave, when first we practise to deceive".

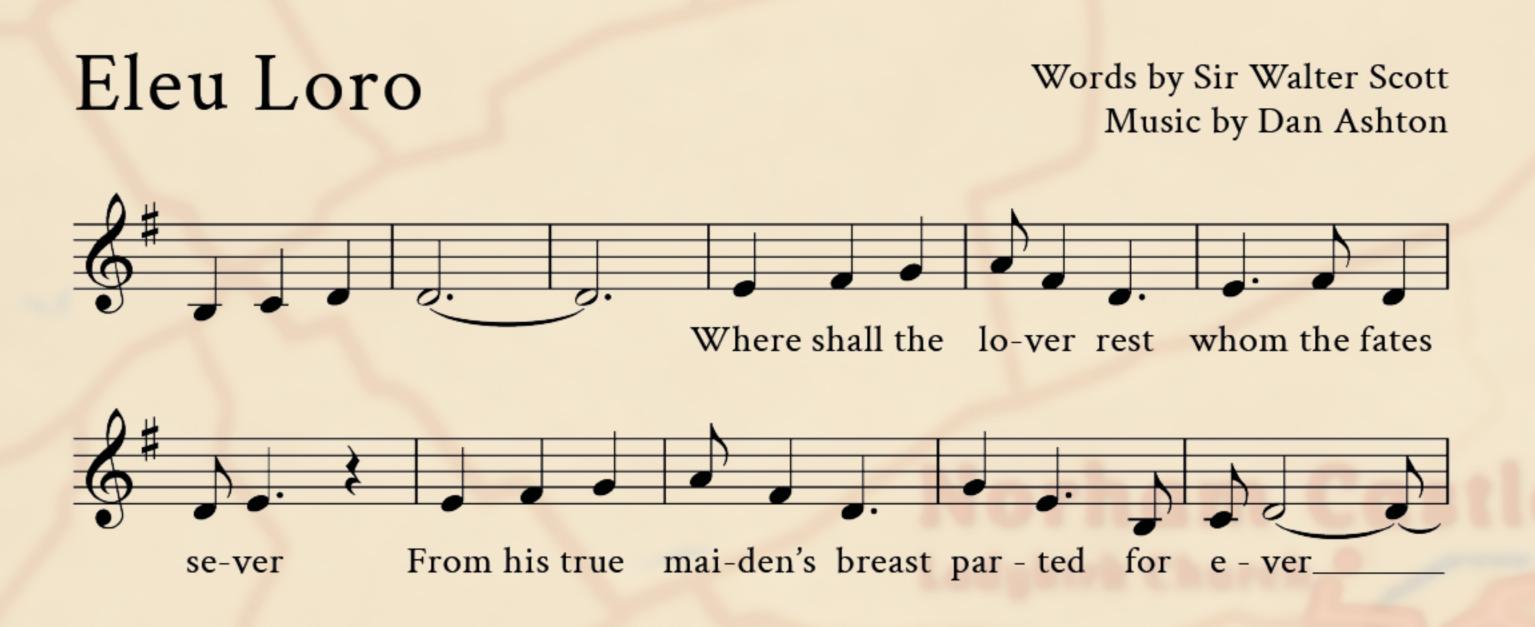
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*Marmion* is interspersed with **supernatural** occurrences such as a duel with an elfin knight who if defeated will reveal the outcome of a battle, and the apparition King James is said to have had, warning him not to go to war. The host at the inn tells the story of the Wizard of Yester Castle (Sir Hugo de Giffard) who's underground Hobgoblin Hall (built by goblins summoned by dark magic) near the Scottish town of Gifford can still be visited today if you're brave enough.

Where shall the traitor rest he the deciever ?



Eleu Loro, there he'll be lying



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## The Ballad of Lochinvar

O, young Lochinvar is come out of the west, Through all the wide Border his steed was the best; And save his good broadsword, he weapons had none, He rode all unarm'd, and he rode all alone. So faithful in love, and so dauntless in war, There never was knight like the young Lochinvar.

