

she always appeared, and whose persevering annoyance at Allenbank, the seat of the Stuart family, on the Blackadder River, was so thoroughly believed and established as to have prevented at various times the habitation of the place; as the popular rhyme in Berwickshire runs:—

“ O Pearlin' Jean, O Pearlin' Jean,
She haunts the house, she haunts the green,
And glowers on us a' wi' her wullcat e'en.”

house at Allenbank was taken down, and another built by the new possessor in its stead. Its inmates are no more disturbed by the visits of Pearlin' Jean, whose troubled spirit has ceased from wandering,

and is at last, we hope, at rest.

The story of Pearlin' Jean was originally given by Mr. Kirkpatrick Sharpe, from whom it has been copied by Mrs. Crowe and others.