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Children 'hooked' on historical fiction are few and far between in my experience. However, this absorbing and literate adventure story should kindle an interest in older, experienced readers. The tale centres upon the past strife in Ireland, beginning with a highly mysterious and brutal hanging in late eighteenth-century rural Gloucestershire. Fifteen-year-old Francis Place, who secretly witnessed the event, subsequently becomes involved with Scarf Jack, a chameleon of a man who is being relentlessly pursued by the insane Hunter Gowan. Even in the excitement of the intrigue Francis has time to reflect upon hate and its shattering influence on man's relationship with his fellow human beings, which alone elevates this above a straightforward adventure tale.

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