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*New York Times* bestselling author Hannah Howell delivers adventure and instant attraction in this all-new Wherlocke Family novel...

For Lady Primrose Wootten nothing has been ordinary since her father the Baron died and his wayward family filled the estate with greed and treachery. Primrose knows if she can just track down her brother, he can send the odious relations on their way. But instead she finds this enormous, powerful stranger, and forgets entirely what she was doing in the first place...

Sir Bened Vaughn isn't much afraid of a pistol. But he is a bit afraid of the woman holding it, who stirs up something so primal he's not sure he can shake it off. Vaughn is an honorable man, and he knows he has no right to desire Primrose. Yet he does have an obligation to help her, and as they learn more about her brother's disappearance, he realizes that means staying by her side...wanting her all the while... and wondering how much longer they can resist temptation...

## If He's Noble Details

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## **From Reader Review If He's Noble for online ebook**

### **LaTisha Walker says**

I love Hannah Howell's Wherlocke series. It's always nice to visit such a special and unique family. This book did not disappoint. the only complaint I have is the hero displaying my two biggest pet peeves in romance novels, martyrdom and running away. I absolutely hate when a hero or heroine suffers in silence because they're "protecting" loved ones from their troubles. And I also hate when a hero or heroine runs away from a situation or confrontation instead of trying to resolve things or get closure. The hero, Bened, left the heroine, Primrose, without a word to her, because he felt that he was not good enough for her and that she deserved someone better than him. Thank God he came to his senses before he got too far away! He made a decision for Primrose without even caring about how she felt. I hate selfishness and cowardice disguised thoughtfulness.

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### **Sissy's Romance Book Review says**

What can you say about Hannah Howell...she is one of the best writers I think! I love her books and have read almost all of them! This book was great! It is the seventh in the series "Wherlocke". But with all of Hannah Howell's book you don't have to read them in order, so this is a standalone book. too. Lady Primrose Wootten is the heroine of this story. She is being invaded by greed driven family members that are really awful! She goes for help in the way of her brother but meets the hero this story instead. The hero, Sir Bened Vaughn isn't afraid of much, but Lady Primrose is making him have doubts! So glad to have this book!

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### **Shauni says**

Originally Reviewed For: Bodice Rippers, Femme Fatales and Fantasy

The Wherlockes are a special brand of people and Hannah Howell does them so much justice in this series. Each Wherlocke and/or Vaughan was born with a gift. A gift that got them tossed from their families, spouses leave, burned at the stake, land confiscated and worse.. but the family has survived and stayed strong. In this enlightened time (pre regency) they have finally been able to come out of hiding. Their estates have grown, their lives are fuller and richer. But more than that each Wherlocke or Vaughan has looked for a mate that can accept them for who they are.. which leads to happiness.

If He's Noble is Bened Vaughan's story, a man who has served his family well but now it's time to set up his own life. A surprise Barony has dropped in his lap and Bened is ready to finally settle down. What he doesn't need is some strange woman traversing the woods talking to someone... \*grins\* but the more time he spends with her the more intrigued he is. And it seems her story is about way more than wandering the woods..

Lady Primrose Wootten, has been left at the hands of her Uncle and Aunt.. He's a vial excuse for a human being but it's mostly, gambling, drinking and wenching. BUT she's something else. It seems Auntie Dear feels that she should be the reigning Baroness.. Primrose knows something is up and is desperate to find her brother. To let him know that his life is in danger but she's a woman and seriously out of her element. When she literally stumbles into Bened Vaughan, Primrose has to take a chance. Lucky girl, I wouldn't mind

wandering the woods and finding Bened \*grins\*.

I LOVE the Wherlockes and the Vaughans. Ms. Howell writes these strong capable characters that understand persecution, that have lived it, have grown up with the stories of it, and yet they are decent, good and ready to take a stand. But they aren't holier than thou or over preachy. Nope they are exciting! Adventurous and oh so sexy!! Bened offers something of a treat because he has been a background player for a while. Not one of the more "dynamic" Vaughans.. he's a workhorse.. but once we get to know him, he's just stellar!

Primrose on the other hand is a woman ready to fight! She may have led something of a sheltered life. She may not quite know what she is supposed to do but she knows what's right and wrong and she is dedicated to family (the ones not trying to kill her that is). She is the perfect woman for a man who is still trying to figure out how to become a lord..

And yes, we get to spend time with plenty of the Vaughans and Wherlockes so it's a guaranteed adventure of yore!!

Another Hit!

Shauni

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## **Jenny says**

Highly disappointed.

I usually love Hannah Howell's books especially the Murray and Wherlocke series but this one felt unfinished.

If He's Noble felt plot felt disjointed and unpolished. Howells' books usually have a very clever and very smooth plot but this one didn't.

I didn't totally feel the chemistry between the two and I felt it was strange that Bened tried to leave at the end because it didn't fit his character at all. It felt like Howell was just reusing an already overused trope of hers.

Primroses' mind blanks didn't really make sense. They were completely unnecessary to the plot and only added to the "your Aunt is evil" idea. They weren't introduced smoothly, they just came out of no where and were solved relatively easy. Modred apparently came up with the reason for these mind blanks, or so the characters said. But other characters had already said the same thing previously and was hardly as monumental as the characters were making out. (On a side note: excited about the hint of a book for Modred coming up!)

Also I'm really curious about Simeon and Lilybet, they were the more interesting characters! Is there going to be a book about them?

In summary I'm disappointed but i still give it an okay because it's Hannah Howell and I like this series.  
Please improve on this.

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## **Beth says**

I absolutely devoured *If He's Noble*.

Primrose is running from an evil aunt and a horrible marriage arrangement. She hopes to find her brother so he can save her from her aunt's nefarious plans. Instead she runs into Bened Vaughn, who in all good conscience can't allow Primrose to search on her own.

The chemistry is electrifying.

The story riveting.

The aunt absolutely villianess.

Wonderfully suspenseful, *If He's Noble* brings a slightly paranormal flare to a marvelous historical romance.

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## **Reading In Pajamas says**

◆Blog Tour, Review & Giveaway: *If He's Noble* (Wherlockes Series Book 7) by Hannah Howell

<http://wp.me/p3d0RZ-2MC>

Genre: Regency/ Historical Romance

Reviewed by: Reading in Pajamas/ Cori

Rated: 4 Stars

#### REVIEW:

Great historical romance! I thoroughly enjoyed *If He's Noble*! I've read a couple of Hannah Howell's books in the past and had forgotten how much I enjoyed them. *If He's Noble* was a fun and exciting romance with witty characters and a gripping plot. It's well written and hooked me from the beginning with a fun meeting between the characters. This book can be read as a standalone. I haven't read the entire series but plan to go back and read them because I enjoyed this one. I recommend it for regency historical romance lovers looking for a well written story that will leave you smiling when you close the book. I'll be checking out the rest of the series and already passed on a paperback to a friend to share the story with her.

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### **Marilyn Rondeau says**

First of all - I love this series and Ms. Howell's family of Wherelocke's and Vaughn's are so totally unique, creative and totally imaginative it's hard to have to wait for the next books detailing this amazing family.

Right from the start we are introduced to Lady Primrose Wooten who is in a desperate search for her brother now that her beloved father had died under mysterious circumstances. If she cannot locate her brother in time, her odious aunt and uncle are attempting to marry her off to a very sleazy man who is rumored to have killed his last three wives. Having been unseated in the woods, she is in dire straits without her spectacles and horse. Thankfully, Sir Bened Vaughn who has a knack for calming and a sixth sense of danger has come to her aid and offers his services to Primrose.

Bened has been on his own for some time, usually hired to protect and keep safe the heirs of nobility. Having saved the life of his last client's heir, Bened has been rewarded with a title and lands by a grateful father. On his way to inspect his new lands he runs into Primrose. Something about Primrose stirs something primal in his blood, and after hearing her story, he feels honor-bound to assist her in her search.

Filled with intrigue, danger, and a simmering sensuality Bened and Primrose's adventures are fraught with all kinds of hazards as her vengeful and psychotically evil aunt is determined to rid herself of one more impediment blocking her way to riches and power. Naturally, the call goes out to Bened's many relatives and with their assistance and advice, Bened and Primrose manage to keep up with the evil machinations of her killer aunt.

Bottom line: Excellent read - fast action - simmering sensuality - plus fabulous characters - what more does one need!

Marilyn Rondeau

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## **Mel says**

I enjoy this series even though they can be hit and miss for me. If He's Noble was not very exciting and I thought the trope was just little too over the top.....I've seen this before, many times. Howell LOVES wretched, very evil female villains and I don't. Even though I will always read the new installment of The Wherlockes/Vaughns.....I like the idea of a magical family and usually the W/V are so very interesting.....not this time though.

Lilybet Wherlocke saved the book for me, she was a breath of fresh air in a story that was starting to become stale.

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## **WhiskeyintheJar/Kyrarkyker says**

2.3 stars

Thank you to Shannon Burke for recommending this to me :)

Coming in at book #7 really hurt me here, I felt lost with all the Wherlocke family talk and their abilities. It's a road romance where I thought the main couple fell in love a bit quickly while trying to find the heroine's brother and warn him about their evil aunt.

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## **Lorraine says**

I absolutely loved the other books in this series but I am sorry to say that this one fell some what flat for me. All the parts that should have made this a true Wherlocke/ Vaughn novel were missing or at least it seemed this way to me. In all the scenes with any of the family you barely even noticed they were there. Little to no conversation or seeing them use abilities. There was one particular dinner party that was sadly underused in the worst way. There you have a new arrival in the midst of a large family dinner and you get no real scene. Such a ripe opportunity to demonstrate and initiate her into the fold wasted.

Everything appeared to be told not shown a real disappointment as that is the best part of this series and really any book. Ex: You were told of Beven's ability but you never got to really witness it and any fight scene was simply glanced over swiftly you never get to actually be in any of the fight scenes.

And though I know the story line called for Bened to do something to demonstrate or use his gifts riding around continually for the entire novel got a wee bit boring. Following them around till they got where they were going only to have them turn around made it all feel a little to useless to me.

Sadly I wasn't fond of this one but will always come back for more of this series. I just hope the next one will be more evolved in the family a good dose of Wherlocke/ Vaughn magic can never go amiss.

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## **Angel Hatfield says**

A Little Disappointing But Still A Good Plot \*\*I received an ARC of this story in exchange for an honest review\*\*

Lady Primrose Wootten is searching for her brother when Sir Bened Vaughan sees her tangled in the woods

looking for her horse. Her father had just died and she needed to let her brother know and avoid their aunt. When it becomes clear that their aunt wants more than to just take over. Bened refuses to leave Primrose. While there is more to him than normal men, she slowly makes him want much more. I had mixed feelings about this book. There were a number of things I went back and forth on. For example, I didn't really "feel" the two main character's instant attractions, but I did like their overall characters, particularly Bened's. Yet, part of him irritated me as he was determined Primrose kept hiding more from him, but there really wasn't any more she was hiding from him. I also didn't like his reason for leaving in the end, when I felt her character left his feelings unfounded. With Bened's character, he really didn't have any insecurities pointed out throughout the book. I know these reasons sound cryptic, but I'm trying to not give away plot points and still give an honest review. I liked the slight paranormal aspect to the story. I also liked meeting several of Bened's family members. Overall, it was a decent book. Even with the things I didn't like, the plot was good enough that I wanted to finish the book. I would still recommend it to anyone that likes this genre and any of Hannah Howell's fan-base.

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### **Heather andrews says**

Primrose may be a lady but she can appreciate certain things, "hey had just reached the shore when she abruptly realized he was bare-chested. And a magnificent chest it was, she decided." Bened I found him strange but I fell in love with that strangeness, "the one you just formed by bringing this little dog into it. Dogs need to know who is the head of the pack from the start or you will have a very hard time training them to do anything." Rose sometimes has to put her foot down on things Bened is a really passionate man with some stamina, "she wriggled free of his hold, got off the bed, and stepped out of his reach. "No more of that. I am hungry," she said." He's not bashful what so ever he's a proud man, "very certain ." He yanked off his boots and underdrawers and stood there proudly naked. "Gardening? I would have thought you did not need to read such a book?" I loved this book these characters were lovable and enjoyable to read about.

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### **Bailey says**

I was less than impressed with this book. I was excited for Bened to fall in love in his own book so the wait for this book was long and torturous. However even more of a torture was reading the book and finding what felt like an unfinished story. I would have waited a not her few weeks if the story would have been more flushed out. The major action scenes were so fast they felt like they were on fast forward. There were several questions and ideas brought up through out the book and then promptly forgotten and never re addressed.

Spoilers that support the never readdressed claim below.

**SPOILERS !**

Spoilers

Do not read further unless okay with spoilers!!!



The heroine had 2 very traumatic memories blocked and often said she felt she had more but that was never explored. The memories she did get back were never explained other than "well our aunt is mad" Several times it was mentioned that the Aunt hated our heroine specifically for some unknown reason but that was never explained. We were introduced to new Wherlocke's and Vaughns but their powers were never truly talked about and seemed to pop up as needed. Lily had The Sight and emotional mind reading? Beven kind of disappeared from seight but when first talked about and used it was all done "off stage" where the reader was just told about it by a character after the fact. Morris was never even given a power. Bened's family was never even met, and there was talk and mention of the heroine having permanent blurry vision, but her aim with a pistol was right on and we never heard about her glasses after the opening scene. And where is Lily going toned up? This book felt rushed and unfinished with large gaps told to the reader after the fact.

However I did adore the hero and heroine together and there was the close love and family that I love from this series and the happily ever after and peek at their hakim get a home allowed me to give this romance a 3 instead of the 2.

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### **Barbara ★ says**

This is another great book in the Wherlocke series. This one focuses on Bened Vaughn and Primrose Wootten who is being hunted by her aunt for her and her brothers inheritance. Of course, Bened stumbles on her accidentally and Sir Bened cannot allow Primrose to search for her brother alone so luckily he joins the quest.

And yeah a good portion of the Wherlocke/Vaughn crew enter the picture but the action only leaves Primrose and Bened for scenes of her brother, Simeon and a newly found Wherlocke named Lilybet. Hmmm love is in the air.

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### **Kimberley says**

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5 Couldn't Put It Down STARS!!

I have DEVoured every book in this series.

If He's Wicked (Chloe & Julian)

If He's Sinful (Penelope & Ashton)

If He's Wild (Althea & Hartley)

If He's Dangerous (Lorelei & Argus)

If He's Tempted (Olympia & Brant)

If He's Daring (Catrin & Orion)

They can be read as stand-alones, but I have truly enjoyed following this enchanting Family with their psychic gifts.

It really feels like you are a part of their captivating Journey, as they find their soul mate. This story is no different. I was in it from Page 1 and didn't put it down until I was finished. I loved the intensity between

Lady Primrose "Rose" and Sir Bened. The author gives us a heart-felt heroine and a strong Hero. They go through some trials together and are stronger for it. It was a gripping story line with a truly vile villain.

Can't wait to read more of this "gifted" family!!!!

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