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"What needs there be sae great a fraise Wi' dringin' dull Italian lays, I wadna gie our ain strathspeys
For half a hunder score o' them.
They're dowf and dowie at the best,
Dowf and dowie, dowf and dowie,
Dowf and dowie at the best,
Wi' a' their variorum;
They're dowf and dowie at the best,
Their allegros and a' the rest,
They canna please a Scottish taste
Compar'd wi' Tullochgorum."

REV. JOHN SKINNER.

# PREFACE.

The Editor has great pleasure in here acknowledging the unvarying kindness and courtesy of all to whom he has applied for information in the compiling of this collection of Scottish Folk-Songs. His thanks are due, not only for much valuable information received, historical and otherwise, but also in many instances for use of copyright songs. Among those who have assisted him greatly in his work may be mentioned Mr. Henry Whyte, Glasgow, well known in Gaelic circles as "Fionn," and author of the Celtic Lyre; and Mr. Lachlan MacBean, author of Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands. From both of these volumes some of the best Highland and Hebridean melodies in the present work have been taken, and the Editor is specially indebted to Mr. Whyte for his kind permission to use many beautiful translations of Gaelic verses, and for much interesting information concerning the airs to which they are set.

The warm thanks of the Editor are also offered to Lady John Scott, the talented composer of "Annie Laurie," and other fine Scottish airs; to Mr. J. MacKay, Editor of the Celtic Monthly; Mr. John Glen, author of the Glen Collection of Scottish Dance Music; Mr. Frank Kidson, author of Traditional Tunes, and Old English Country Dances; Mr. Ballentyne Dykes, of Camstraddan, Loeh Lomond; Mr. Donald Ross, Edinburgh; Mr. Malcolm MacFarlane, Elderslie, and others.

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE SECOND EDITION.

In preparing the Minstrelsy of Scotland for a second edition, I gladly avail myself of the opportunity to correct and enlarge the historical notes with information which has come to my knowledge since the issue of the volume. The limited space at the foot of the songs prevents me from giving more than a very brief sketch of the history of each air, whereas, in many cases, pages of interesting matter might be written before the subject could be exhausted. Thanks to the industry and enthusiasm of the early Scotch and English music publishers, who were for the most part also musicians, we are enabled to trace pretty clearly the history of many of our airs during the last two centuries. Prior to the end of the 17th century, when music printing began to become general, several MS. collections of Scottish tunes were made by private persons, evidently for their own use. far the most important of these MSS, is the eelebrated Skene MS., c. 1615-20, a short account of which I have given on p. 7, and the Straloch MS. \* 1627, described on p. 234; it may be mentioned that the latter was at one time in the possession of Dr. Burney, the famous historian, who received it from Dr. George Skene, of Marischal College, Aberdeen, in 1781. Other manuscripts are the Blaikie MS., the Leyden MS., and Mrs. Crocket's MS. Music Book, the last of which at one time belonged to William Stenhouse, the author of the Scot's Musical Museum Illustrations.

As I have quoted a large number of early collections of Scottish folk-music throughout this volume, it may not be amiss to briefly describe a few of the most important of these publications. Playford's A Collection of Original Scotch Tunes (Full of the Highland Humours) for the Violin. Being the First of this Kind yet Printed. London, 1700, first claims our attention. It is a small oblong book of sixteen pages, and is so rare that only one copy is known to exist; as this copy is in private hands the book is practically lost to the public. It may be mentioned, however, that some years ago the owner privately issued a few facsimile copies of the work. Those interested in this publication can inspect the edition of 1701, a

<sup>\*</sup> In 1839, George F. Graham transcribed the Scottish airs contained in the Straloch MS., and presented a copy of the same to the Advocates Library, Edinburgh. The original MS. was formerly in the possession of Mr. James Chalmers, London, at whose death in 1845 it was sold with other papers to some unknown person.

eopy of which is in the British Museum Library; it is exactly the same as the first edition with three additional pages of tunes. In January 1725, William Thomson issued his famous Orpheus Caledonius, or a Collection of the best Scotch Songs set to Musick. London. This work is entitled to the distinction of being the first published collection of Scottish songs with their traditional airs; it eontains fifty songs engraved on stout folios, one side of the leaf only being used. A second edition of the Orpheus Caledonius was published in 1733, 2 vols. 8vo.; the contents of the first volume are the same as the edition of 1725. Annoyed at Thomson's pirating so many lyrics from the Tea-Table Miscellany, and about which he complains in the 1728 edition of his work, Allan Ramsay issued in 1726 a little book entitled Musick For Allan Ramsay's Collection of Scots Songs, Vol. First. Edinr. Printed and sold by Allan Ramsay. This book is also extremely rare; it is a small square 12mo. oblong, very roughly printed and full of errors; it is divided into six parts, each of which is inscribed to a lady of rank; no second volume was issued, and the collection consists of sixty-eight tunes with their basses.

One of the largest and most valuable collections of Scottish airs is James Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion. This work comprises twelve thin octavo books, the issue of which must have extended over a period of about twenty-one years, Vol. I. having been published circa 1742 or 1743, and Vol. XII. circa 1764. The original editions of Vols. XI. and XII. are exceedingly rarely met with; they were published after Oswald's retirement from business, and the titles bear the imprint, "London: Printed for the Author and Sold at the Musick Shops." Prior to settling in London about 1741, Oswald lived for some years in Edinburgh as a teacher of music, and during that period published three books of Scots Tunes, folio, of much value. Oswald was a composer of great talent. He composed a large number of songs, which are to be found in various English musical works of last century; he was created "Chamber Composer to his Majesty" early in 1761, and died at Knebworth, Herts, Jan. 2, 1769.

In 1742 William M'Gibbon compiled his first book of Scots Tunes; this work, which is oblong folio in size, extended to three books, Vol. II. 1746, and Vol. III. 1755. It was originally printed by Robert Cooper, of Edinburgh, but about 1758 or 1760 the plates passed into Bremner's possession, who then re-issued the work; later on another edition appeared "with some additions by Robert Bremner." About 1740, John Walsh, the famous London publisher, published a Collection of Scots Songs in five parts. This work, which contains many Anglo-Scottish melodies of the beginning of last century, seems to have been originally issued in sheets.

Robert Bremner started business in Edinburgh as a music publisher about 1754, and published many collections of Scottish music of importance; in 1762 \* he migrated to London. His Collection of Scots Reels or Country Dances, to

<sup>\*</sup> I am indebted to the Glen Collection for this date.

which I have so often referred, was issued in twelve parts between the years 1757 and 1761,\* and later in one volume. It is an oblong octavo book of ninety-six pages, and in it many Scottish dance tunes appear printed for the first time. Bremner's two books of Scots Songs are thin folio publications; both were reprinted on his settling in London. Bremner died in 1789, and his large stock was purchased by Preston. Neil Stewart, another celebrated Edinburgh music publisher, commenced business about 1759, and published almost all the most important Scottish musical works until the close of the century. His A Collection of the Newest and Best Reels or Country Dances was, like Bremner's similar publication, issued in parts; there are nine numbers in all, the first having appeared in 1761.\* I have repeatedly referred to Aird's Selection of Scotch, English, Irish, and Foreign Airs for the Fife, etc., of which six volumes were published at Glasgow. These volumes are small oblong 12mo. in shape, and contain much of interest, especially Vols. I. and II., published in 1782.\*

Want of space does not allow me to more than allude to the collections of Scottish dance tunes by McGlashan, Cumming, Joshua Campbell, Patrick McDonald, Gow, and many others. I must refer those interested in our national dance books of last century to Mr. John Glen's interesting work, The Glen Collection of Scottish Dance Music. 2 vols. folio. It is by far the most important work on the subject, and contains much valuable information regarding the tunes, the published collections, and their publishers.

A number of Scottish airs appear in some of the early English country dancebooks; these volumes are all oblong octavo in shape, and contain directions for dancing the various figures below the music. Both Walsh and Johnson issued sets of Caledonian Country Dances during the first half of the 18th century; but many of these so-called "Caledonian" airs are spurious and smack more of the south than of the north. The celebrated Scots Musical Museum is a collection of six hundred songs with the airs, in six volumes; it was published by James Johnson, an engraver and music seller in Edinburgh. Vol. I. was issued in 1787, and Vol. VI. in 1803, and it was for this work that Burns wrote so many fine lyrics. In 1839, Messrs. Blackwood re-published the work from the original plates with Illustrations, i.e. historical notes, by William Stenhouse. These notes were published after Stenhouse's death, and were edited by David Laing, who, in 1853, edited a second edition of the work with additional notes by himself and C. K. Sharpe, of Hoddam. Other important collections of the same period as the Scots Museum, are the folio editions of Scottish airs and lyrics issued by Corri, Urbani, Napier, and George Thomson. R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, 1822-24, 6 vols., large octavo, is a valuable work, and interesting as being the publication to which Lady Nairne contributed many of her finest songs. Fraser's Airs peculiar to the Scottish Highlands, 1816, and Alex. Campbell's Albyn's Anthology, 2 vols., 1816-18, are collections professing to contain Gaelic music only.

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Of the many volumes of Scottish songs and ballads without the tunes, may be mentioned Watson's Choice Collection of Comic and Serious Scots Poems. 3 vols. 8vo. 1706-9-11; this work is interesting as being the first printed collection of genuine Scottish songs. It is impossible to over-estimate the value of Allan Ramsay's Tea Table Miscellany, in which are preserved so many fine old Scotch ballads. It is in four volumes, 12mo. Vol. I. Edin. 1724, Vol. II. 1726. Vol. III. 1728, and Vol. IV. 1740. It may be mentioned, however, that six years prior to the appearance of the Tea Tuble Miscellany, Ramsay published a little book entitled Scots Songs. By A. Ramsay, Edinburgh. Printed for the author at the Mercury, opposite to Nidderies Wynd, 1718, which contains some of these songs so often alluded to by writers as having been first printed in the work of Among these may be mentioned "The last time I came o'er the Moor," "The Lass of Peatties Mill," "Should auld acquaintance be forgot," and others; apparently this book is little known. In 1769, David Herd published his valuable Ancient and Modern Scots Songs, a second edition of which appeared in 1776. 2 vols. 12mo. Wilson's Musical Miscellany, 1779, 12mo., is a similar publication. and also contains the poems only.

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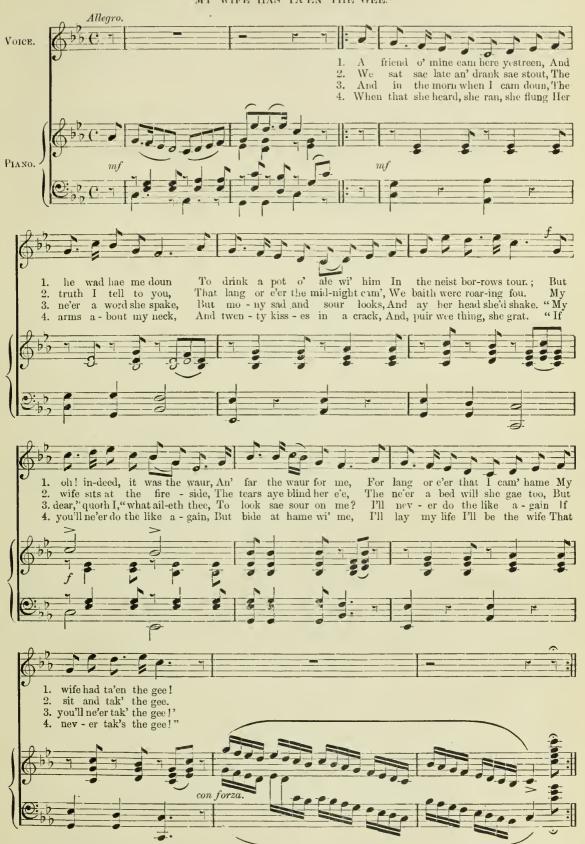
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#### A friend o' mine cam bere yestreen.

MY WIFE HAS TA'EN THE GEE.\*

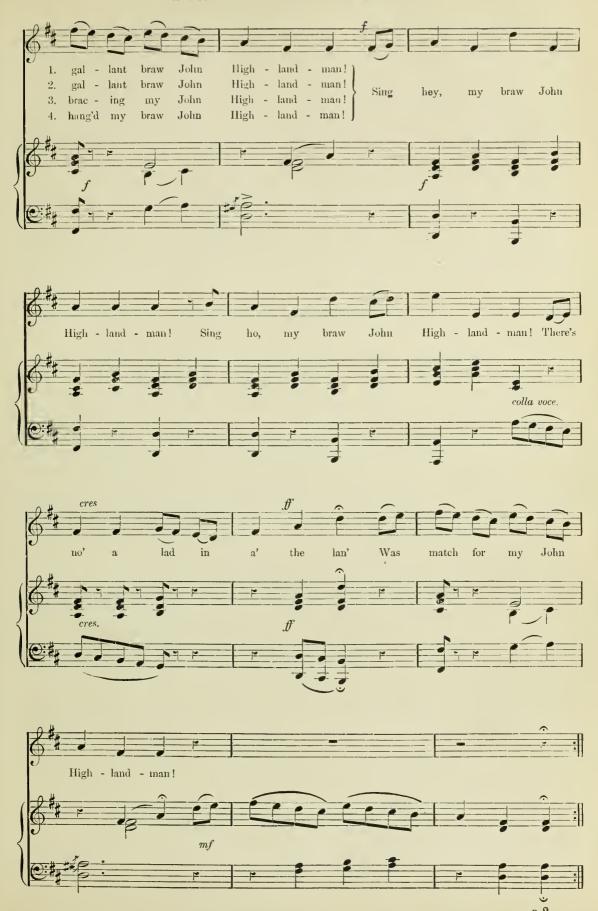


<sup>\*</sup> This song appears in Herd's Collection, 1769. No author's name is given. In Maidment's North Countrie Garland, 1824, there is a song, beginning "My wife shall have her will," which is often sung to the same tune. The air, which was contributed by Burns to the fifth volume of the Museum, is a transformation of an old tune entitled "The Misler" (see note on p. 164).

#### H Ibighland lad my love was born.\*



\* Burns' verses occur in his Cantata, "The Jolly Beggars," which was published in Thomson's folio edition of Scottish songs, vol. v., 1818. They were written to the time "O! and ye were died guidman" (see p. 236). The old song entitled, "The White Cocknade," is in Herd's Collection, 1776, vol. ii., and the air, as "The Ranting Highlandman" in Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. i., 1782. In Bremner's Scots Reels, Bk. IV., 1758, there is a time "Rantan Roaren Highland-man," but it does not resemble the above air.



#### A wee bird cam' to our ba' door.

WAE'S ME FOR PRINCE CHARLIE.\*



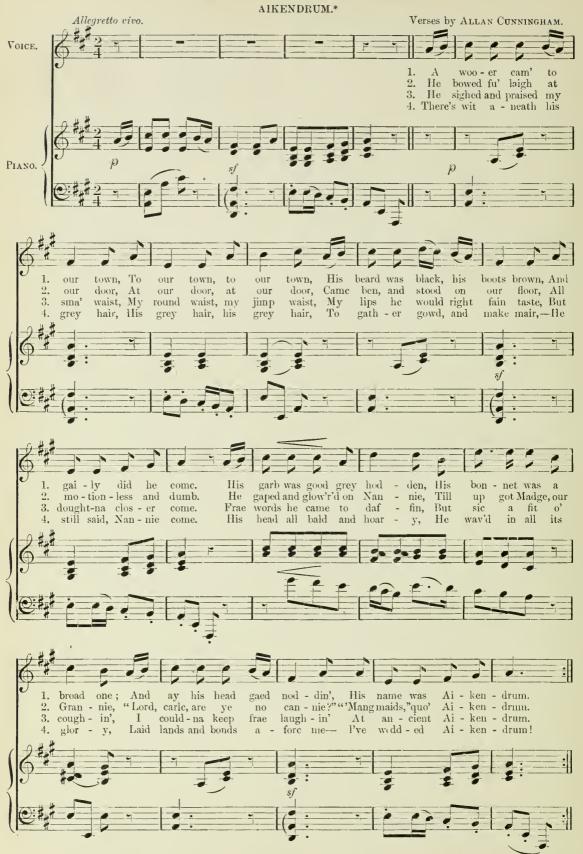
<sup>\*</sup> A version of this air appears in the Skene MS. 1615-1620 under the title of "Ladic Cassilles Lilt." William Glen, the author of the lovely verses "Wae's me for Prince Charlie," was a native of Glasgow. He died in that city about 1821 in extreme poverty. The old ballad of "Johnny Faa" is given in *The Tea-table Miscellany*. It treats of the abduction of Lady Cassilis by the gypsies, and according to Ritson, neighbouring tradition strongly vouches for the truth of the story.

The gypsics cam' to our gude Lord's yett And vow, but they sang sweetly; They sang sae sweet and sae very compleat, That down cam' the fair ladye.

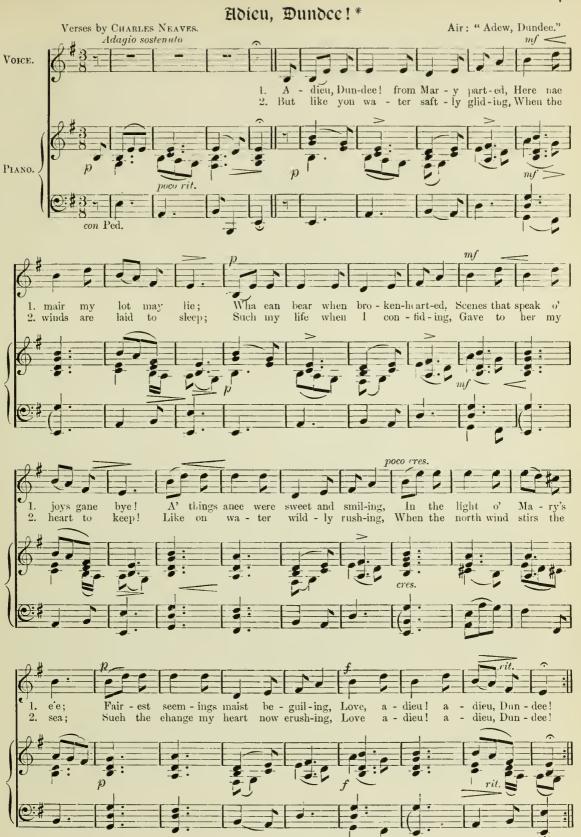
Of this ballad, Burns remarks that "it is the only old song which he could ever trace as belonging to the extensive county of Ayr." As "Johnnie Faa" the air is in Barsanti's Old Scots Songs, 1742, and M'Gibbon's Scots Tanes, Bk. II., 1746.



#### A woser cam' to our town.

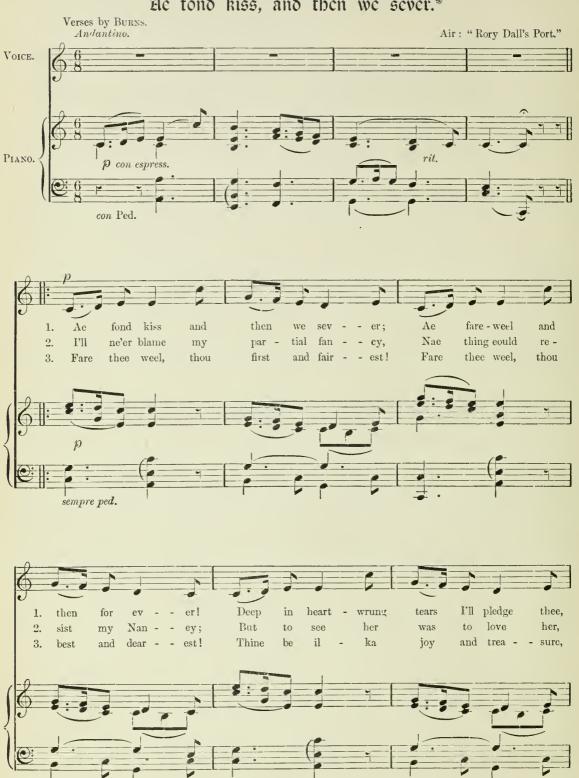


\* Mr. R. Chambers, in Scottish Songs Prior to Burns, gives this melody with verses entitled "The Piper of Dundee." The verses here adopted were written for George Thomson's Select Melodies of Scotland, vol. v. Thomson has marked the air with the letter "A," showing that he considered it to be "of remote antiquity," Gow has a version of it in his fifth Collection as "Aiken Drum." The air is probably a version of the old tune "Johnnie's grey Breeks."

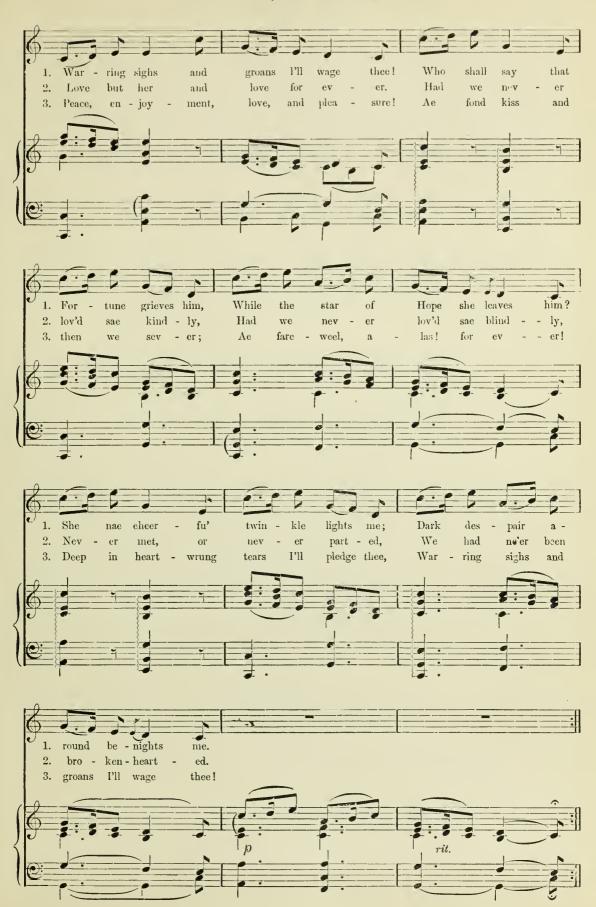


\* Between 1615 and 1620 a MS. collection of music was compiled by a gentleman of the name of Skene, now generally supposed to have been John Skene of Hallyards, son of Sir John Skene, Clerk Register of Scotland. He appears to have been born about 157°, and to have died in the year 1644. The MS. was left by one of his desc ndants to the Advocates' Library in Edinburgh, and in 1×3× William Danuey translated and published it under the title of Ancient Scotish Melodies from a Manuscript of the Reign of King James VI. Danuey's introduction, relative to the history of Scottish music, is particularly valuable. The air "Adew, Dundee," occurs in this MS. The town of Pundee seems to have been a favourite with our Scottish ministrels; there are a great many old songs relating to it.

#### He fond kiss, and then we sever.\*



\* Burns wrote these verses in 1790 to the tune of "Rory Dall's Port." This he mentions on his MS sent to Johnson for The Scots Musical Musical Musical Musical Frace's Collection of Airs and Mel dies Peculiar to the Highlands, a version of this tune is found under the name of The Cow-B y. The composer of the air was Roderick Morrison, usually called Dall, or the blind. He was one of the last native Highland harpers, and died circa 600 James Oswald published the melody in his Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. VIII., c. 1755, and in his Collection of Scots Tunes. London.



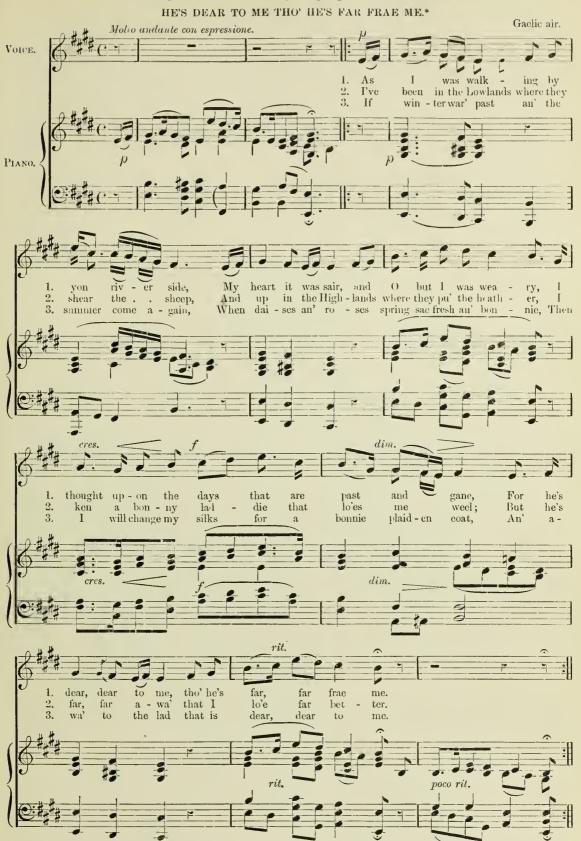
#### Hilic Bain.\*

(EILIDH BHAN.)



<sup>•</sup> From the Celtic Lyre, by permission. Regarding this song Mr Whyte sends us the following: "The Gaelic verses are the composition of Mr. Evan MacColl, popularly known at the Lochfyne Bard. The aged Bard was born at Kenmore, Lochfyne, in 1808, but has been resident in Canada for over forty years." The air is associated with a fairy song to which Hogg wrote a paraphrase of the Gae ic words which were published in Albyn's Anthology, vol. i., 1816. In this last-named collection the air is entitled "Cnochd a Bheannichd." It also occurs in Bremner's Scots Songs, Bk. iv., 1758, vol. ii, 1782, as "Loch-ness."

# Hs 3 was walking by you river=side.



\* From Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, vol. vi., 1803. Stenhouse's note to this song is: "This sweet little pastoral made its appearance about the year 1796, as a single-sheet song, written by a gentleman. His name, however, the Editor has not yet learnt. The melody is very pretty, and appears to belong to the ancient class of Scottish airs of one simple strain, such as "I'raw, braw lads of Gala Water," to which it bears a strong resemblance."

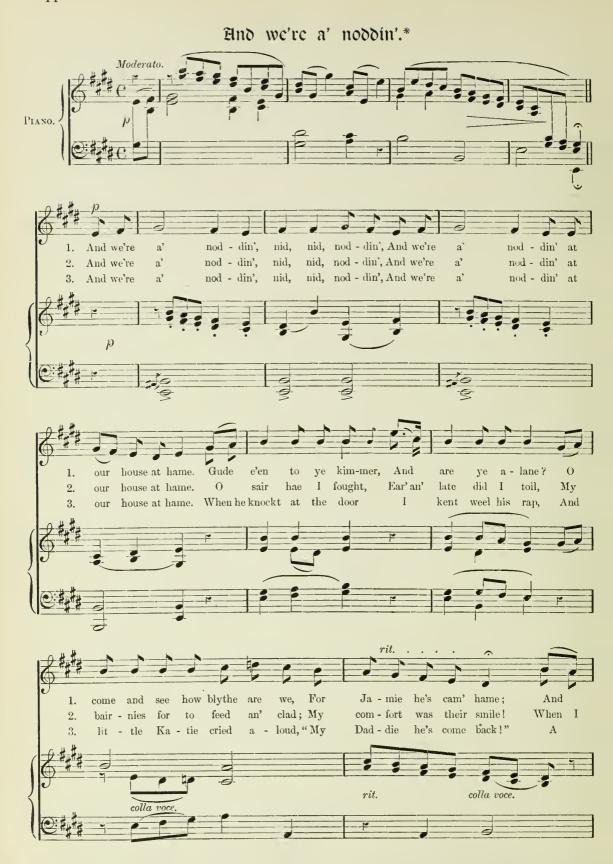
#### And are ye sure the news is true?

THERE'S NAE LUCK ABOUT THE HOUSE.\*

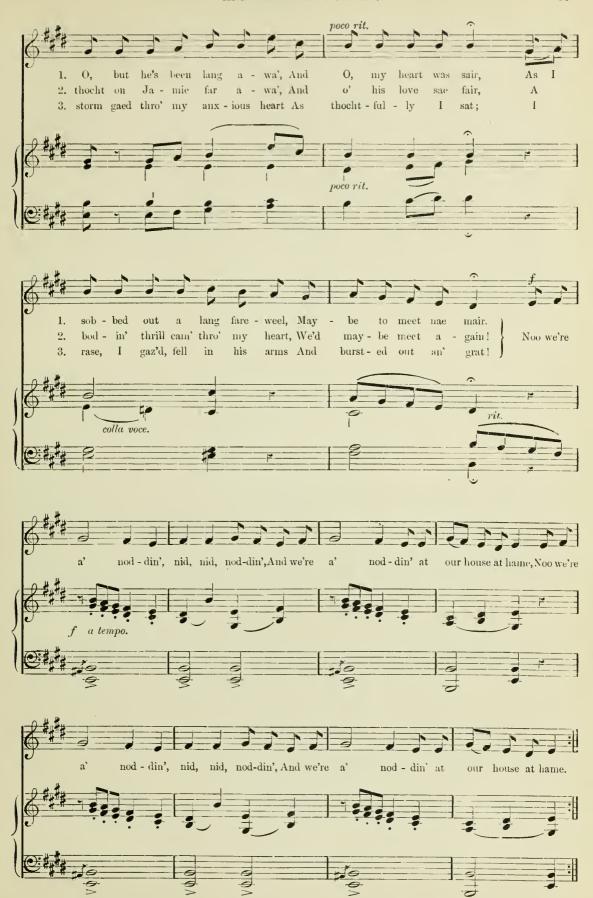


\* This air is a slightly modified version of "Up and waur at them a', Willie." Mr. R. Chambers, in Scottish Song Prior to Burns, says:—
"When William, Doke of Cumberland, came to Edinburgh to put himself at the head of the Government troops for the suppression of the Rebellion (Jan 1745), the music bells of St. Giles' Kirk played "Up and waur at them a', Willie." The authorship of "There's nae luck about the house" has been much disputed. Some attribute it to William Mickle, of Langholm, and others to Mrs. Jean Adams, Schoolmistress of Crawford, at Crawford's-Dyke, near Greenock, about the middle of last century. The poem first appeared in Herd's Scots' Songs. 1716, vol. ii., under the title of "The Mariner's Wife." We have adopted Herd's version.





\* The author of these verses is unknown. They are published in Blackie's Book of Scottish Song, 1844. What seems to be an earlier version of this song was published by Johnson in the Museum, with amendments by Burns. (See Scots' Musical Museum, vol. vi., p. 540). Johnson's version is evidently founded on the original words of "John Anderson, my jo," preserved in the Percy MS. of the 17th century. The air in the Museum is different from the one we have adopted, which is apparently modern.

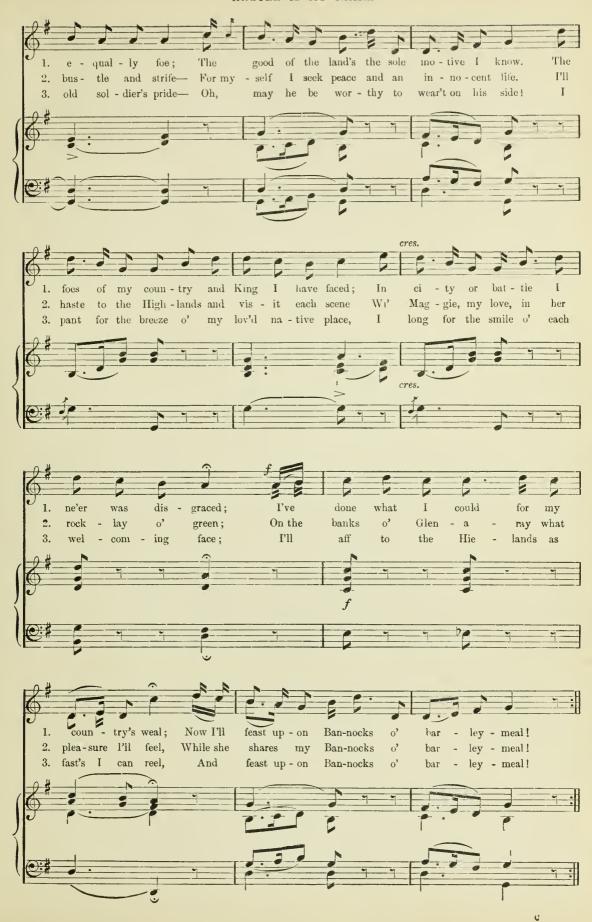


## Argyle is my name.

BANNOCKS O' BARLEY-MEAL.\*



\* The verses given here are Sir Alex Boswell's modification of an old ballad attributed to the Duke of Argyle, born 1680, and which is given in Herd's Collection of Scots ongs, 1776, vol. ii. The tune is of Highland origin, and is preserved in the cots Museum, vol. vi., 1803.



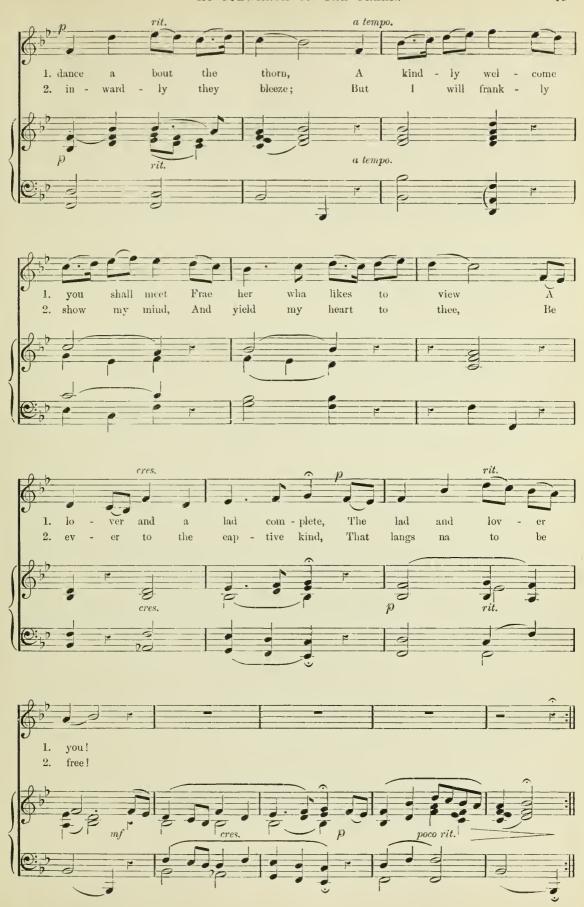
#### It Polwarth on the Green.\*



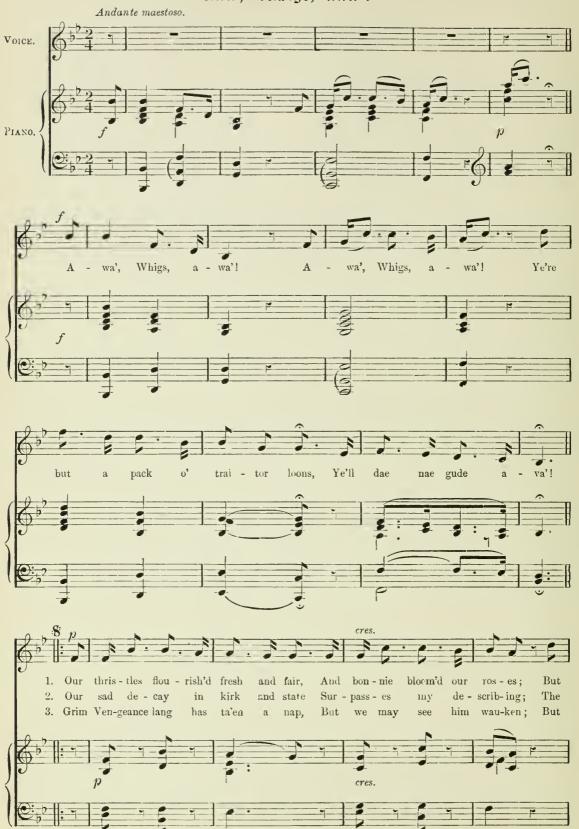
<sup>\*</sup> This song appears in the Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724. It is probably an old song corrected by Ramsay. Thomson adapted Ramsay's version to the original air in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725. "Polwarth is the name of a small village in Berwickshire; in the middle of it are two ancient thorn-trees, a few yards distant from each other, around which it was formerly the custom for every newly-married pair, and the company invited to the wedding, to dance in a ring. From this cincumstance originated the old song of 'Polwarth on the Green'" (Museum Illustrations, p. 177). The air under the title of "Polwarth on the Green" is preserved in the Crockat MS Book, 17-9. Gay chose this melody for song No. 20 in his opera "Polly," 1729, beginning:—

Love now is nought but art,
'Tis who can juggle best.
To all men seem to give your heart,
But keep it in your breast.

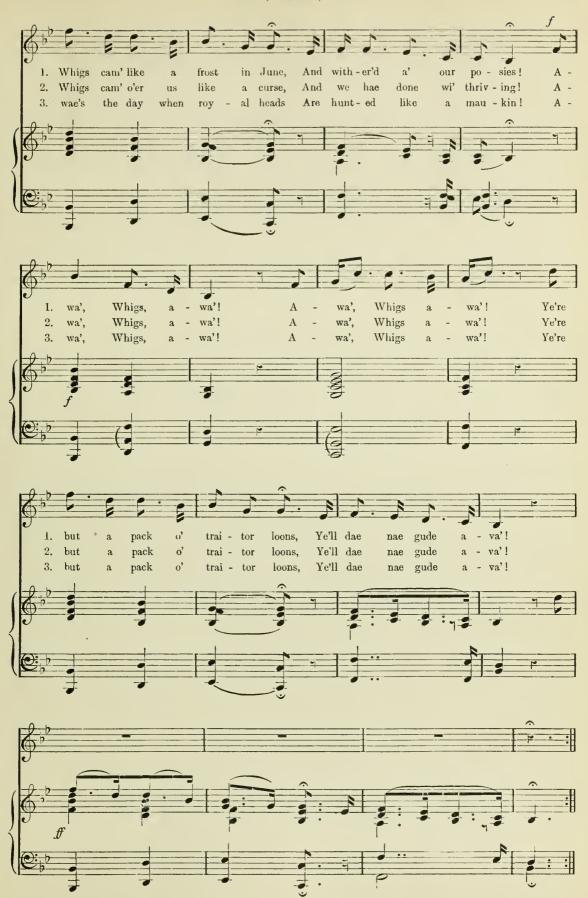
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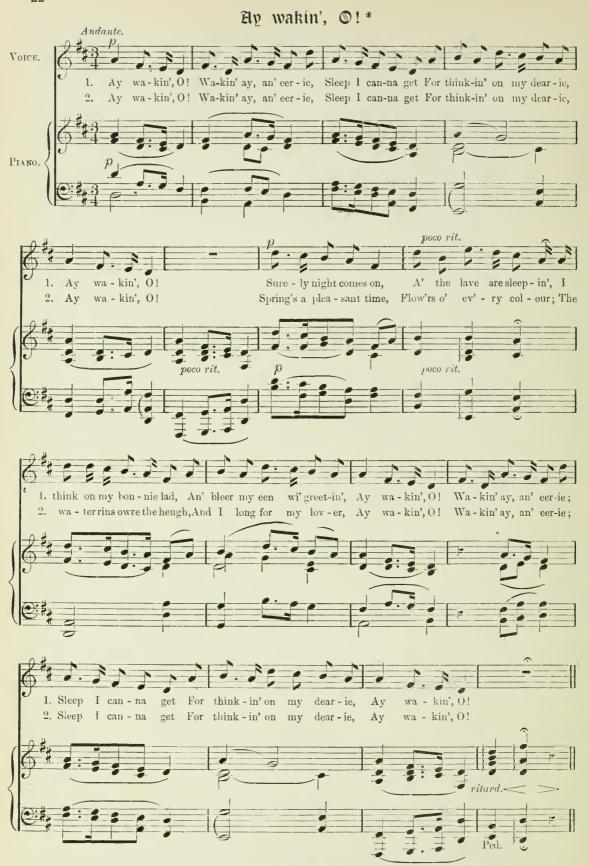


### Awa', Whigs, awa'!\*



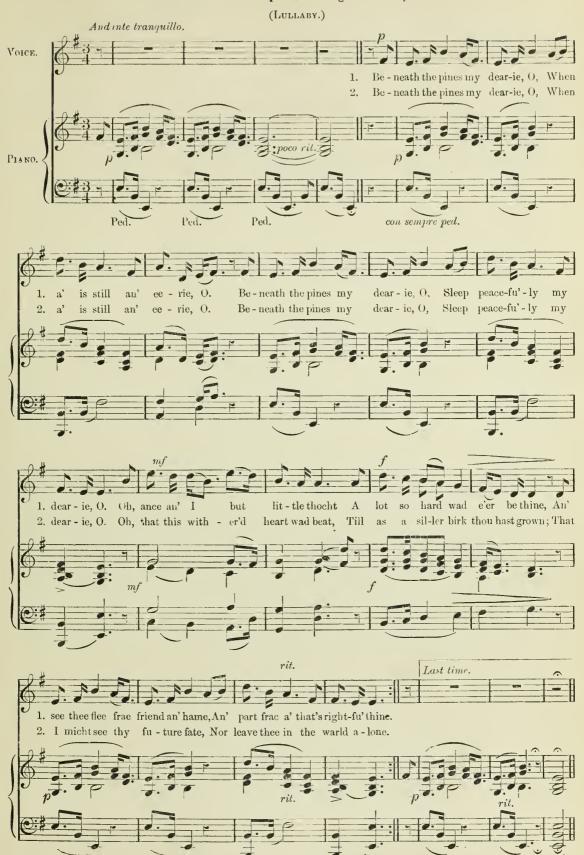
<sup>\*</sup> These three verses are taken from Hogg's Jacobite Relics, Ser. I. p. 76. Hogg gives seven verses in all. Burns also contributed a version of "Awa", Whigs, awa!" to vol. iii. of Johnson's Museum. The above tune, which has entirely superseded the one in the Museum, was first printed in R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, 1822.





\* The first verse and chorus of this song are traditional. The second verse seems to have been written by Burns. The air is undoubtedly ancient, and, curiously enough, sometimes turns up in common time. Stenhouse, in the Museum Illustrations, gives what he considers to be the genuine version. It is in triple time. Ritson is of the opinion that the air "Ay wakin', O," from its intrinsic evidence, is very ancient. See the Historical Essay in Scotish Songs, p. cix. Dale published it as a duet with verses called "Jess McFarlane," "sung at the Dilettanti Concerts by Mr. Dignan and Mr. Hindle"

### Beneath the pines my dearie, O.\*

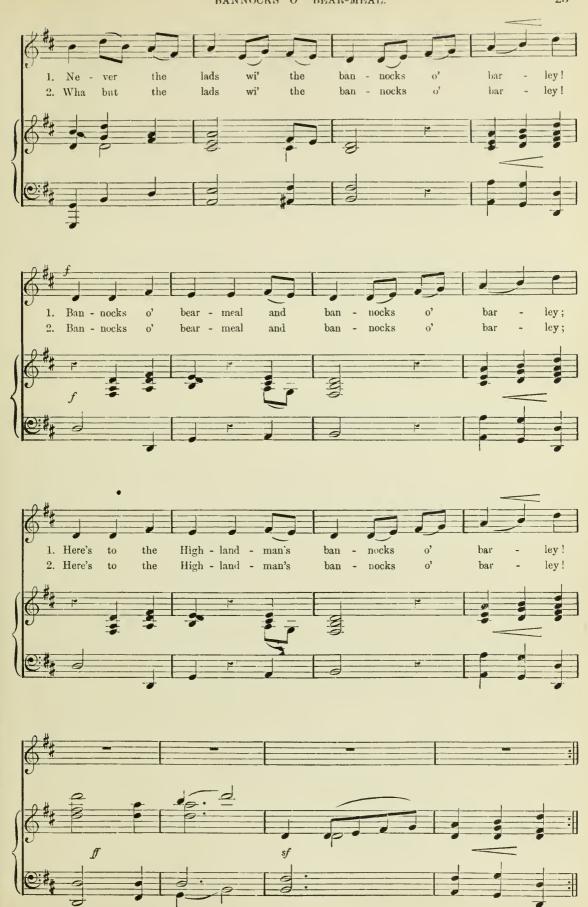


<sup>\*</sup> A version of this air occurs in R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, vol. vi.

### Bannocks o' bear=meal.\*



\* This Jacobitical fragment was contributed to Johnson's Scots Musical Museum by Burns. The tune is old, and was at one time known by the first line of the verses which were then sung to it, beginning: "A lad and a lassic lay in a Kilogie" (see Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. VI., p. 26). In 1688 the eldest son of the Earl of Lothian wrote new words to the air, which was then called "Cakes of Crowdy"; a copy of this song is published in Hogg's Jacobite Relics, Ser. 1., p. 20. The tune appears in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, with verses entitled "I'll never leave thee."



# Blink o'er the burn, sweet Betty.\*



\* Mr. Robert Chambers points out that songs with the phrase "Blink over the burn, sweet Betty," for their groundwork, have existed as far back as the reign of King Henry VIII. In King Lear, Act iii. Sc. 6, we find Edgar saying: "Wantest thou eyes at trial, Madam? Come o'er the bourn, Bessy, to me." The age of the air is unknown, but versions of it are found in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, and Watts' Miscellany, 1730.

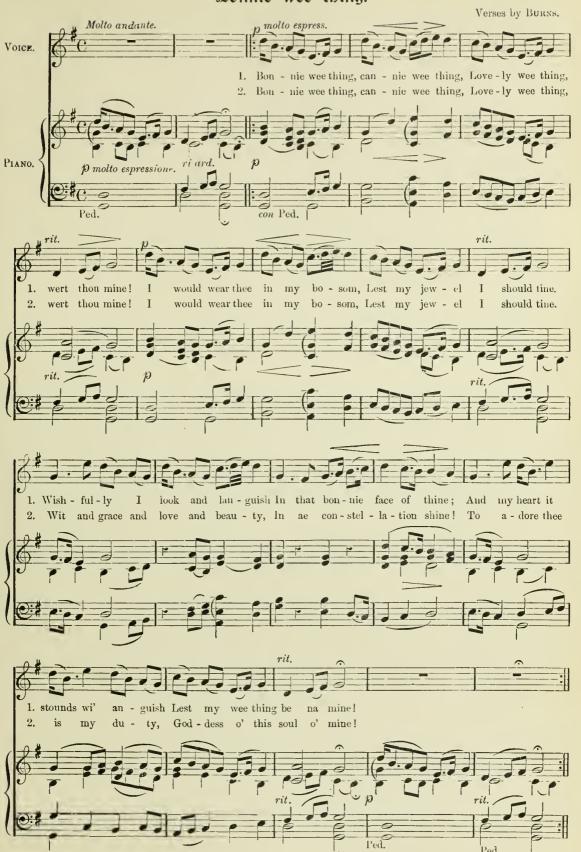


### Blythe, blythe, and merry was she.\*



\* The song, known under the name of "Andro and his Cutty Gun," appears in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724 The air is old and seems to have been originally a bagpipe tune; it is in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion. Bk. VI., p. 4, c. 1752. Burns' song, with the melody, appears in Johnson's Muscum, vol. ii., No. 180. The heroine of the piece was Miss Euphemia Murray, of Lintrose, who was known as "The Flower of Strathmore," on account of her personal beauty.

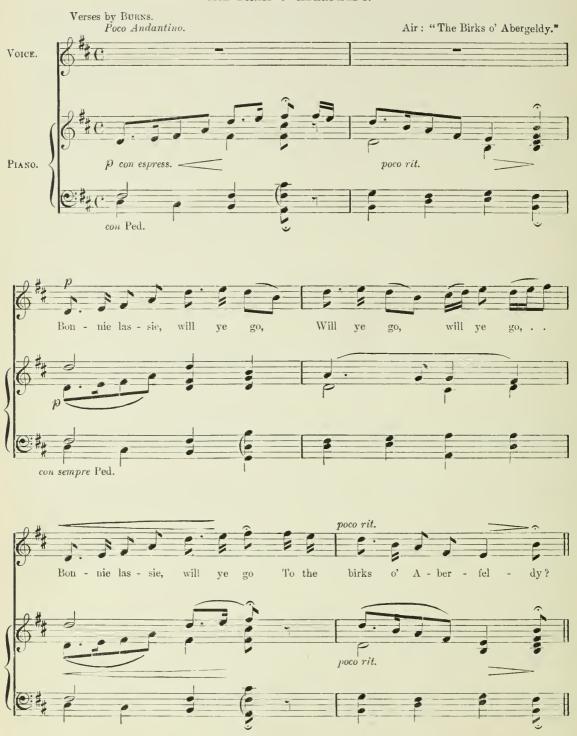
### Bonnie wee thing.\*



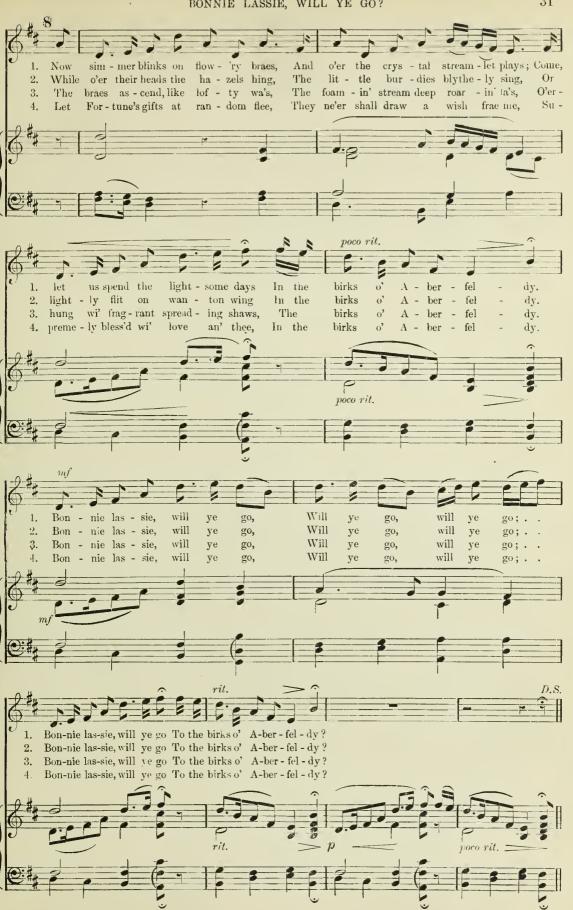
\* These beautiful verses were composed by Burns for the fourth volume of the Scots' Museum, issued 1792. The air first appeared in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, vol. viii. A crude version of it, however, is found in the Strato.h MS. Lute-Book, 1627-29, under the title of "Wo' betyd thy wearie Bodie."

# Bonnie lassie, will ye go?

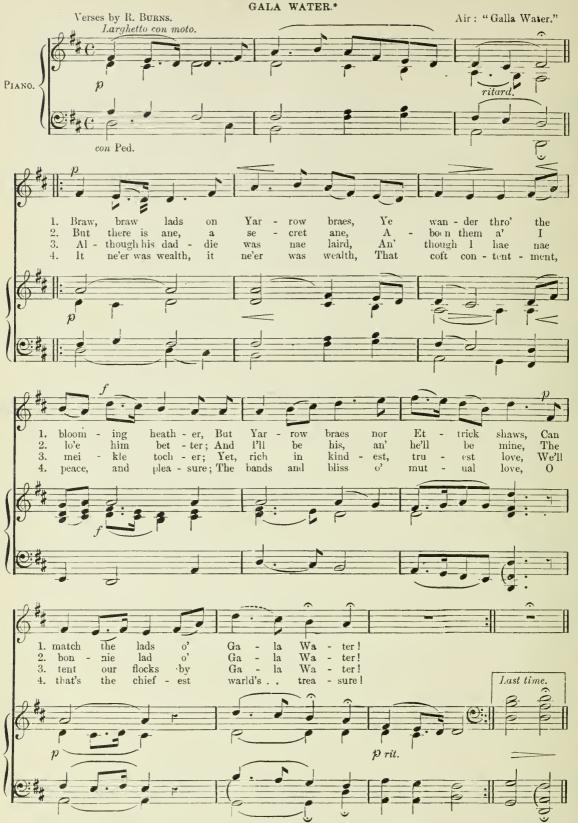
THE BIRKS O ABERFELDY.\*



\* This air as The Berks of Abergeble appears in Playford's Original Scotch Tunes, p. 11, 1700. In A Hundred & Twenty Country Dances, London, L. Pippard, 1711, p. 27, there is a tune entitled "A Hyland Laddy," which is evidently derived from The Berks of Abergeble; the same air occurs in Walsh's Compleat Country Dancing Master, vol. i., p. 364, 1718.



# Braw, braw lads.

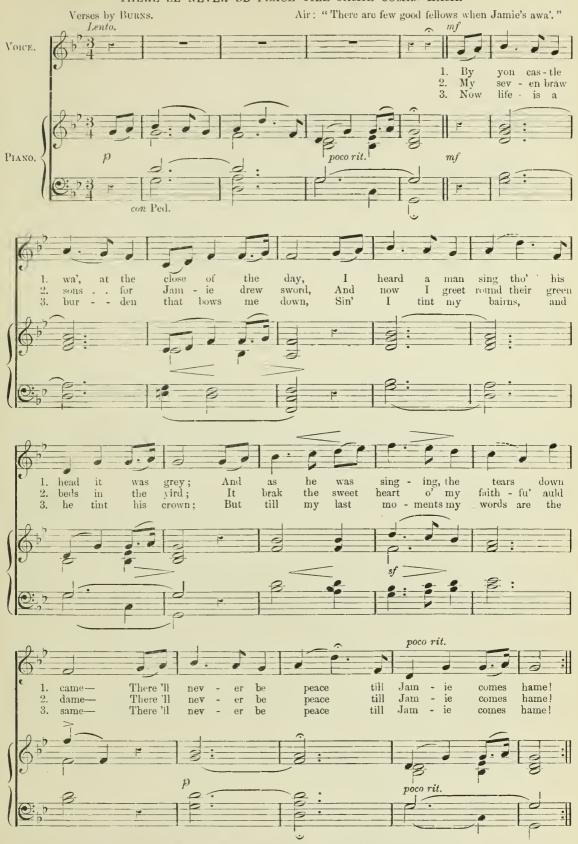


\* Burns wrote the verses about the lose of 1792. The melody is in Oswald's Collection, Bk. VIII., c. 1755, as "The Brave Lads of Gallawater," and in Niel Stewart's Scots Songs, c. 1781-82, as "Comin' thro' the Broom." The following verses are from Herd's Collection, vol. ii., 1776:—

Braw, braw lads of Galla-water, O braw lads of Galla-water, I'll kilt my coats below my knee, And follow my love through the water. Sae fair her hair, sae brent her brow, Sae bonny blue her een, my dearie; Sae white her teeth, sae sweet her mou', I aften kiss her till I'm wearie.

### By you castle wa'.

#### THERE'LL NEVER BE PEACE TILL JAMIE COMES HAME \*

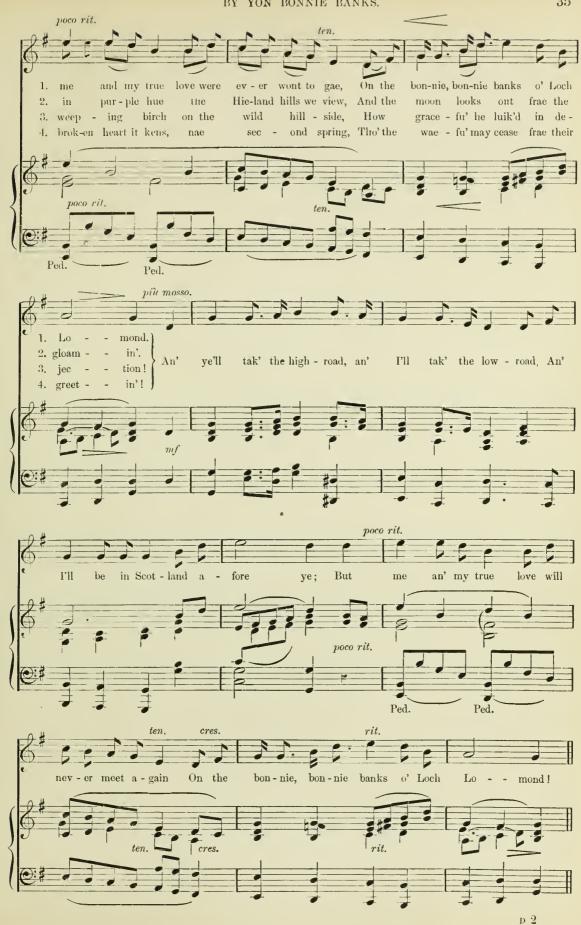


<sup>\*</sup> Burns wrote these verses for Johnson's Scot's Museum. Both Oswald and MacGibbon give versions of the air, but the one we have adopted is from the Scots' Museum, No. 315. Hogg also gives this song and air in his Jacobite Relics, 1821, Series II. In his note on p. 244, he falls into the curious error of considering Burns' verses "an old song without any alterations."

# By you bonnie banks.\*



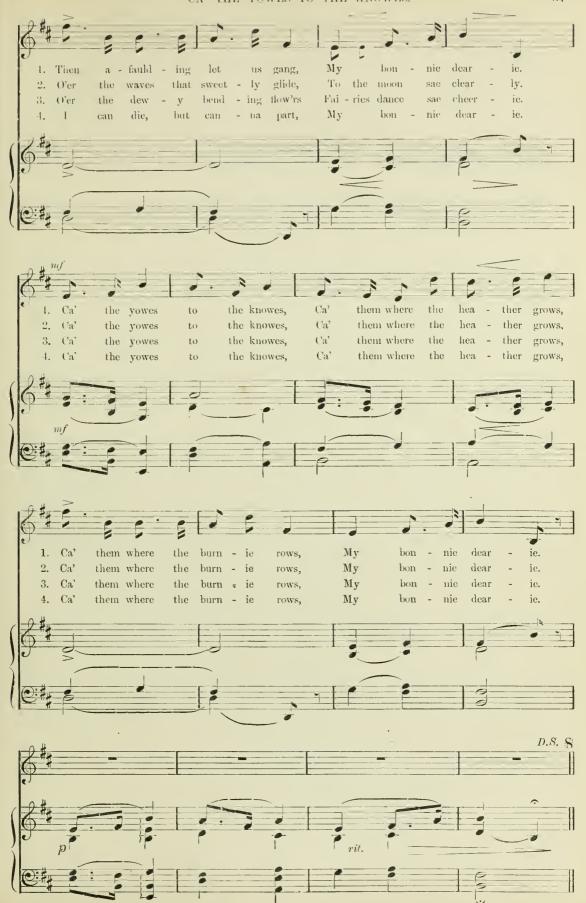
\* The history of this song is somewhat singular. It has been attributed by many to the talented composer of "Annie Laurie," but through the kindness of Lady John Scott we are enabled to correct this statement. Lady John Scott writes us that she and Sir John picked up both words and air from a poor little boy who was singing on the streets of Edinburgh. She does not think that the song was known before that. That Lady John Scott was credited with this composition at a date prior to its having been printed, we are assured by Mr. J. S. B. Dykes, of Camstradden, Luss, who was acquainted with the song when it was still being handed about in MS. The first published copy of "By yon bonnie banks," was issued by Messrs. Paterson and Sons, Edinburgh, some fifty years ago. It was arranged by Finlay Dunn (b, 1795, d, 1853), and the verses are marked as being written by a lady. The old Scottish tune, "Kind Robin loes me," which McGibbon inserted in his Scots Tanes, Bk. I., 1742, as "Robin Cushie," is evidently the source from which the more modern air has been derived.



# Ca' the yowes to the knowes.\*

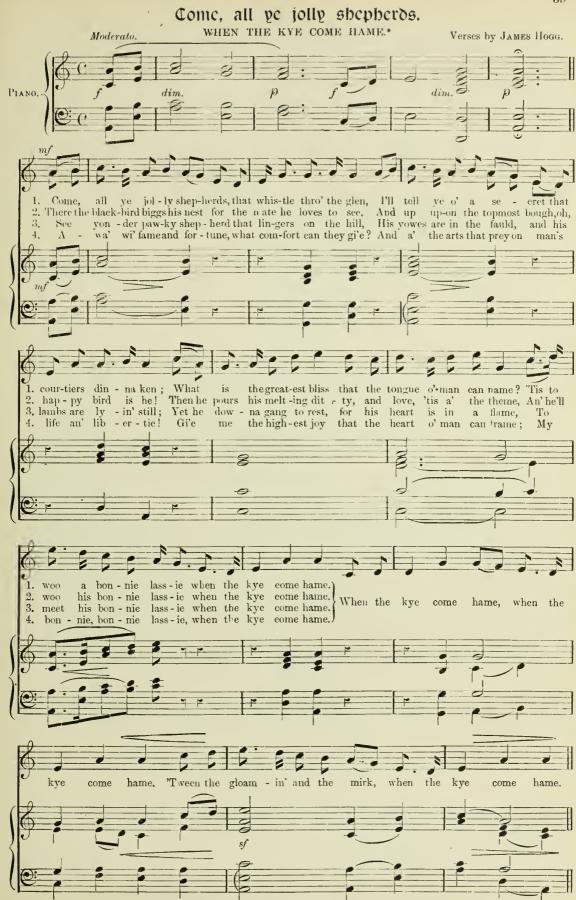


\* This air was rescued from oblivion about the year 1787 by Burns. He sent it, with the verses given above, to Johnson for his Scot's Musical Museum. The verses are partly traditional. The Cluden is a river in Dumfrieshire.



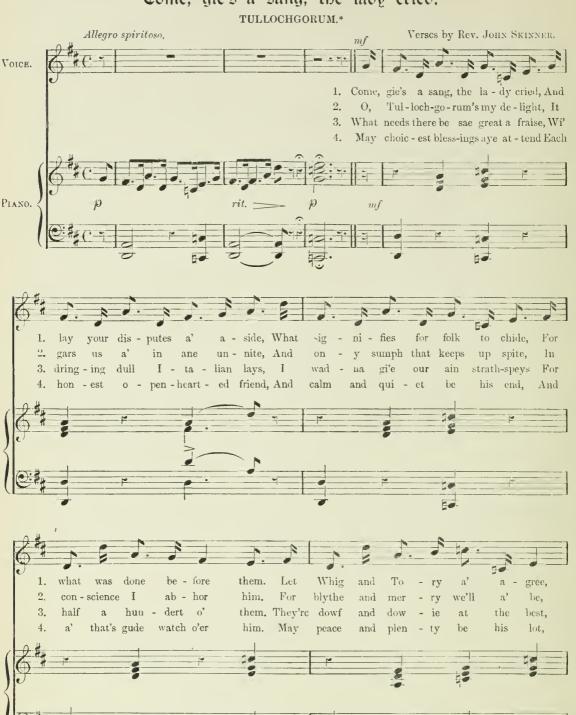
### Cauld blaws the wind frae north to south.





\* This air is a considerably altered version of the one known as, "Shame fa' the gear and the blethrie o't."

# Come, gie's a sang, the lady cried.



\* These verses owe their creation to the following episode: One evening when Skinner was visiting his frieud. Montgomery of Ellon, Aberdeenshire, a violent political dispute arose between two gentlemen of opposite views. To restore good humour, Mrs. Montgomery called for a song, providing Skinner at the same time with the idea which he has so admirably versified to the tune of "Tullochgorum." The poem was a great favourite of Burns, who called it "this first of songs," and "a masterpiece." Mr. R. Chambers says that, "Though belonging to a clerical body generally repeted as Jacobites, and though he himself suffered imprisonment during the Forty, free on su-picion, it does not appear that Skinner had any strong partisan feelings, except in favour of mirth and social harmony in general." (Songs Prior to Burns.) "The tune of 'Tullochgorum' is very old, and is mentioned on Habbie Sinson's Epitaph.—

"Sae weill's he keepit his decorum, And all the stottis of Quhipp Meg Morum.

Stottis means notes; Quhip Meg Morum is the old nan e of the air, and the sense is, therefore, Notes of Whig Meg Morum" (Cromek's Select Scotti h Songs, 1810). As "Tulloch Gorm" the air occurs in Bremner's Sects Reels, Bk. II., 1757; an early version of it is said to be in the Rowallau MS., 1622-28, as "Ouir the dik." Skinner's verses were first published in the Scots Weekly, April, 1776.



## Come o'er the stream, Charlie.\*

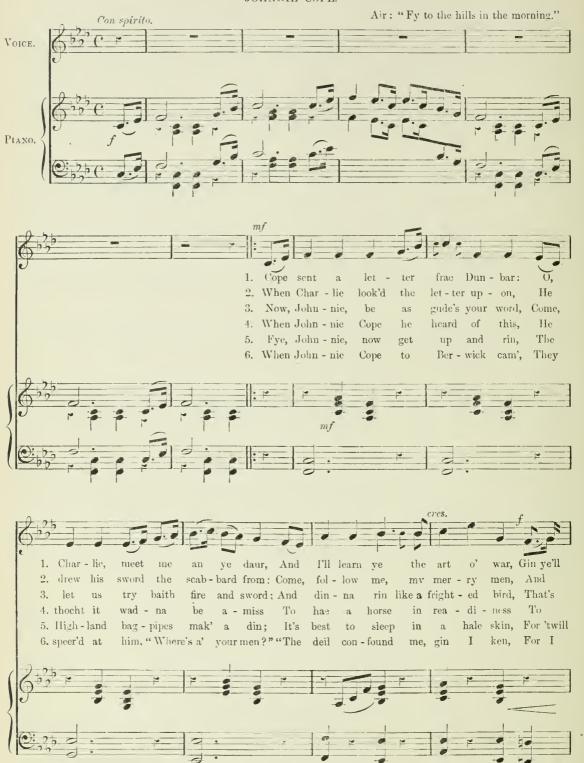


\* Hogg has included this song and air in his Jacobite Relics, Ser. 11., p. 90. The verses are a free translation from the Gaelic. The air is of Highland origin.



### Cope sent a letter frae Dunbar.

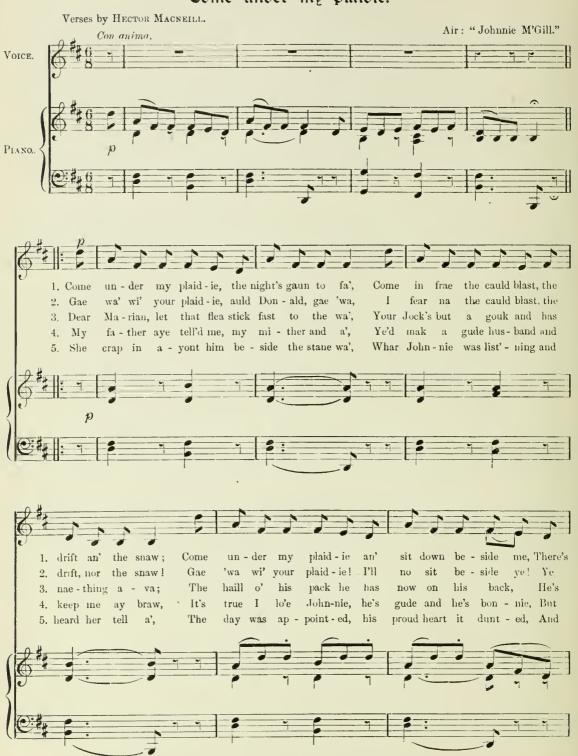
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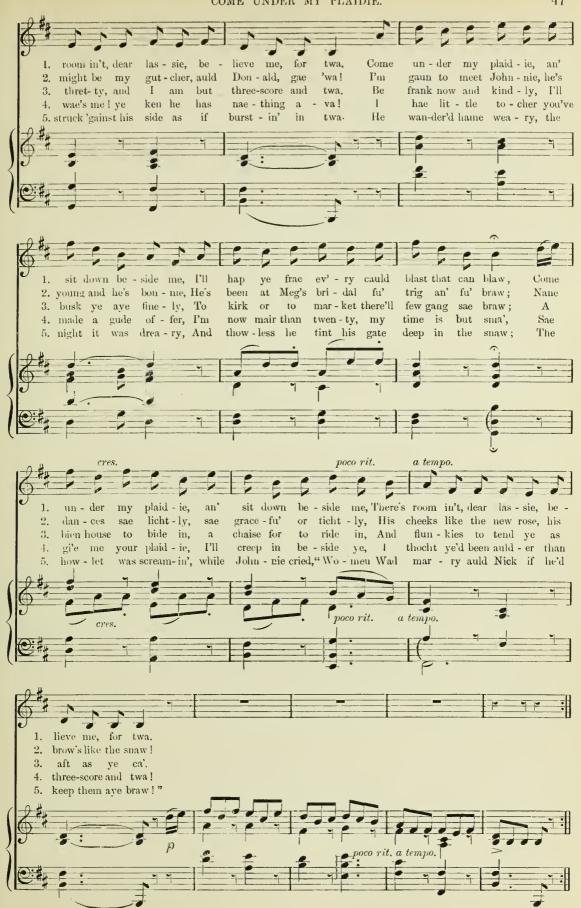
\* Two versions of this clever ballad are given by Joseph Ritson in his Scotish Songs, p. 82, etc. They differ considerably from the version in Johnson's Scot's Musical Museum, No. 234. Stenhouse declares them to be "merely variations of the original satirical song which was written by Mr. Skirven, author of the song called 'Tranent Muir'" (Museum Illustrations, p. 220). For full historical information regarding Sir John Cope, see 'Hogg's Jacobite Retics, 1821, Ser. II., p. 308. A version of the tune appears in Oswald's Caledonian Focket Companion. Bk. ix, under the title of "Johny Cope."



## Come under my plaidie.\*



\* Of this song Mr. Patrick Buchan writes: "This is the best song Macneill ever wrote, and early gained that popularity to which it is justly entitled. It is somewhat strange that in most of Macneill's songs we find the lovers unequally natched, either by a young lassic and an old man, or vice versa. The air, 'Johnny MacGill,' is by a Dumfries fiddler of the same name, and is truly a spritted and lively production" (Garland of Scotia, 1841). John MacGill, of Girvan, Dumfries, flourished about the beginning of last century. The air was first published in Joshua Campbell's A Collection of the Newest and best Reels. Glasgow, 1778.

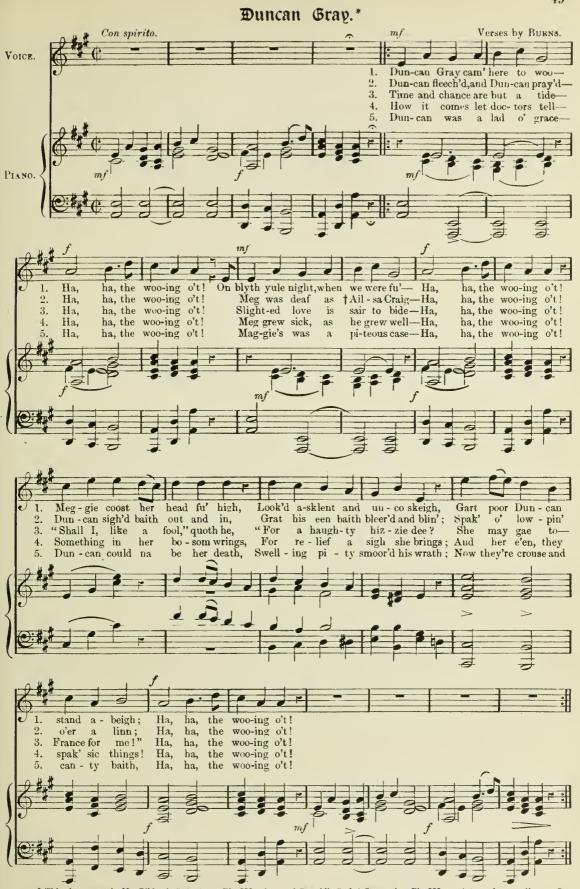


### Dear, dear are the Ibighlands.\*

(IS TOIGH LEAM A' GHAIDHEALTACHD.)



• From the Celtic Lyre, by kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte. This is a patriotic song by the poet postmaster of Ledaig, Argyllshire, which has attained a large amount of popularity. The air is associated with an older song known as "Cogudh no sith"—War or Peace. Mr. John Campbell was born at Oban in 1823. For an intere ting sketch of his life, see G od Words, July and August, 1889. A volume of poems by this bard was published in 1884.



\* This air appears in MacGibbon's Scots Tunes, Bk. III., 1755, and Oswald's Pocket Companion, Bk. III., c. 1747, and, according to Dr. Blacklock, was composed about 1700 by a carter in Glasgow. Burns wrote these verses in the winter of 1792.

† A large rock in the Firth of Clyde.

### fal il o ro, fal il o.

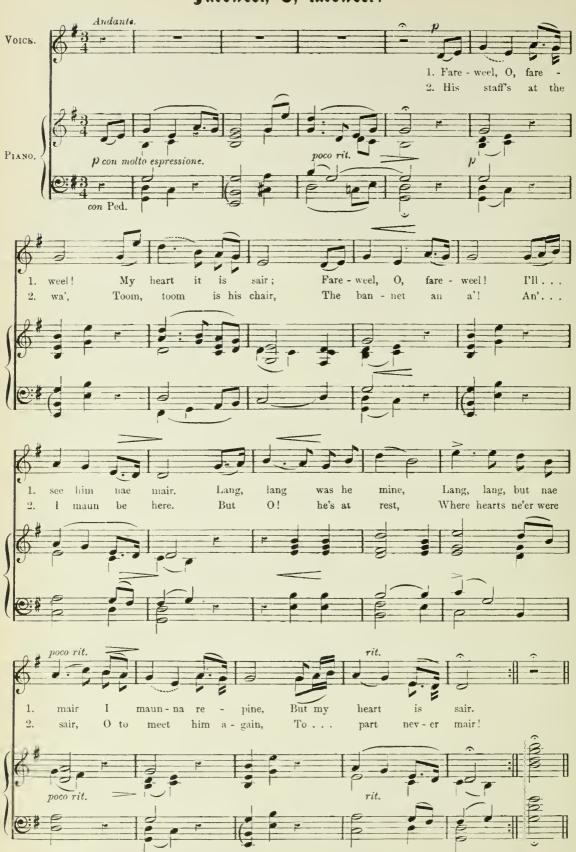
SONG TO THE CHIEF.\*



<sup>\*</sup> From Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands, by kind permission. This song is generally understood to belong to the Isle of Skye, and the reference to Sleat goes a long way to confirm this belief. It belongs to last century, but the author's name is unknown. The air is very ancient.

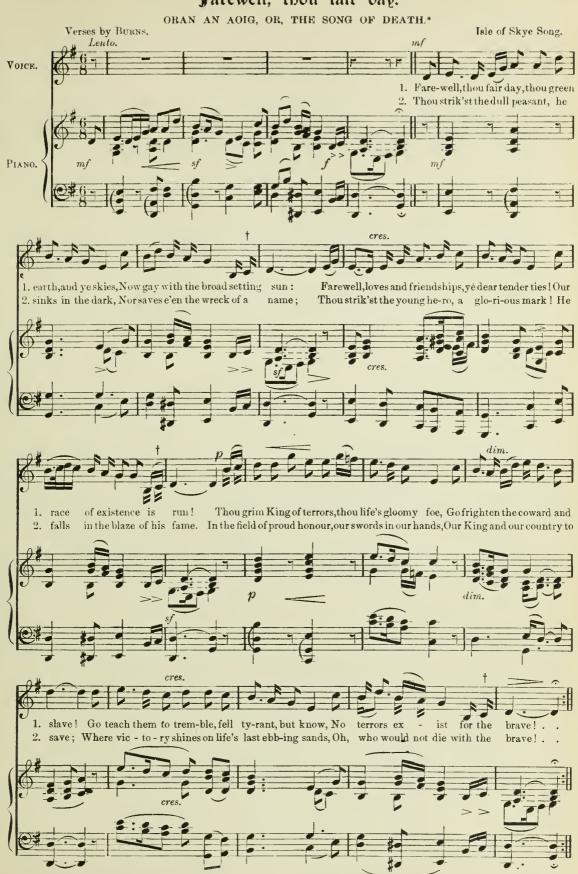


# fareweel, O, fareweel!\*



\* These verses are from R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, 1822, vol. iv. They are by Lady Nairne. Smith gives a version of the tune in eight bars. He has marked it "very old."

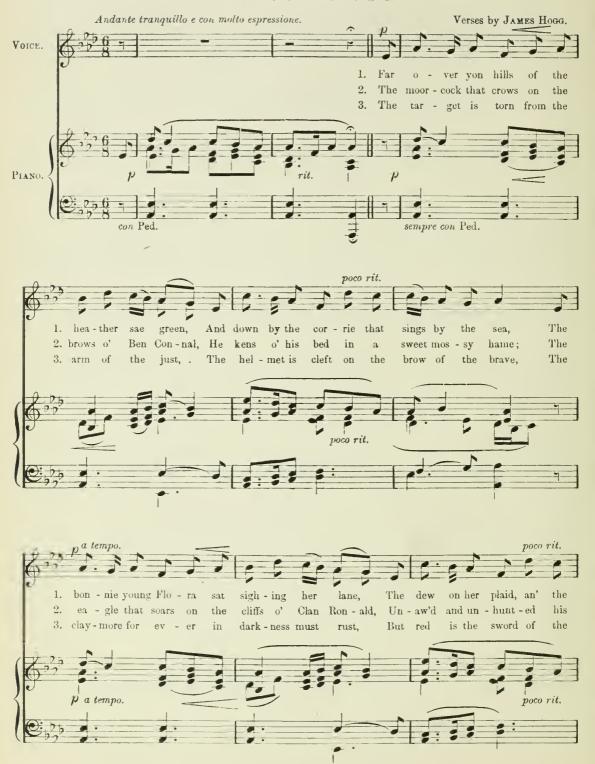
### farewell, thou fair day.



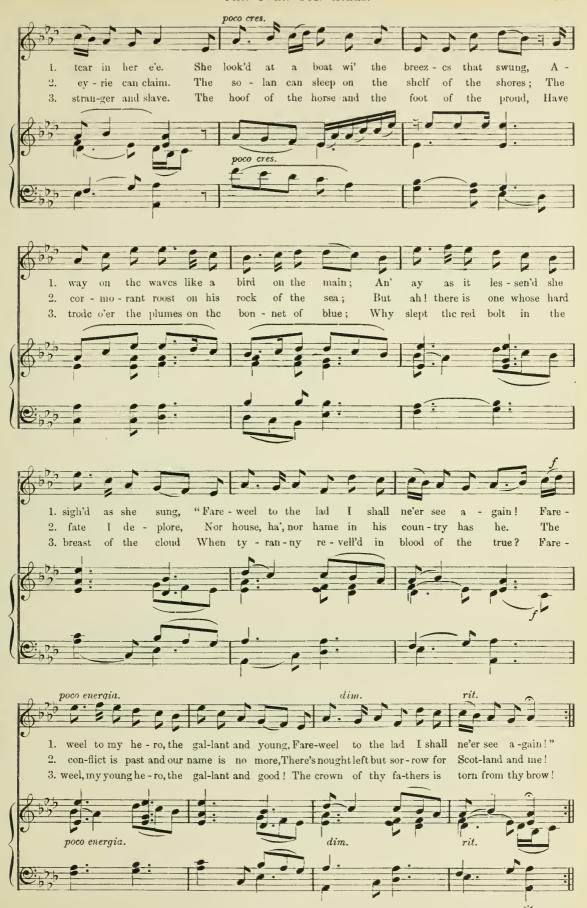
<sup>\*</sup> Burns wrote these verses in the winter of 1791. He obtained the melody from Macdonald's Collection of Highland Airs. † In some editions Cf.

## far over yon bills.

#### FLORA MACDONALD'S LAMENT.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This favourite air is by Niel Gow, Junr., and the verses by James Hogg; they were first published as one of N. Gow & Son's sheet songs about the beginning of the century. In 1818, Hogg inserted both words and melody in his Jacobite Relics, Ser. II., with the following note: "I got the original verses from my friend Mr. Niel Gow, who told me they were a translation from the Gaelic, but so rude that he could not publish them."

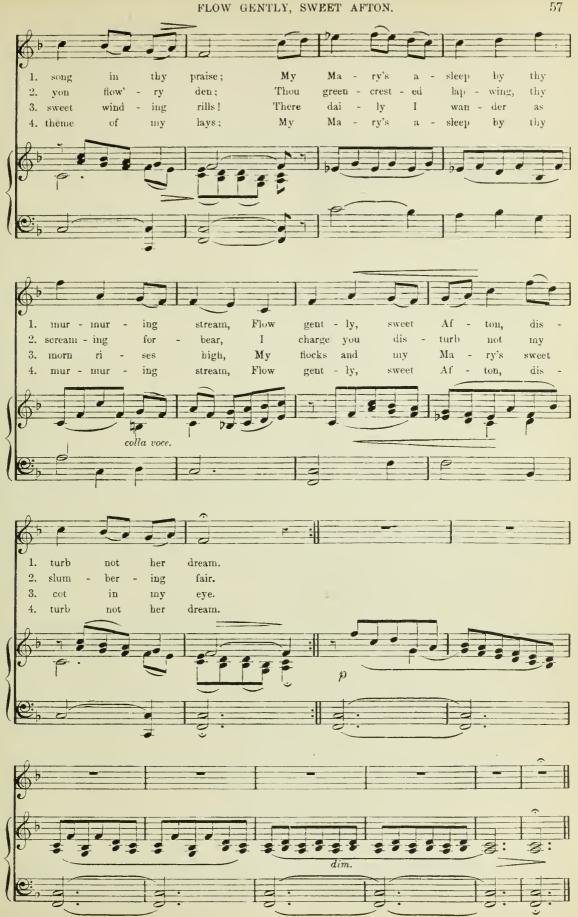


## flow gently, sweet Afton.

AFTON WATER.\*



\* Burns wrote this poem in 1786. He presented it to Mrs. Stewart of Afton Lodge, as a tribute of gratitude for the kindness she had shown to the poet. He afterwards sent it, with the air, to Johnson for The Scot's Museum. There is some doubt regarding the heroine of this song, but Miss Dunlop and Gilbert Burns affirmed that they remembered hearing Burns say that it was written upon his dearly loved "Highland Mary." The author of the air is unknown. The Afton is a small river in Ayrshire, a tributary stream of the Nith.



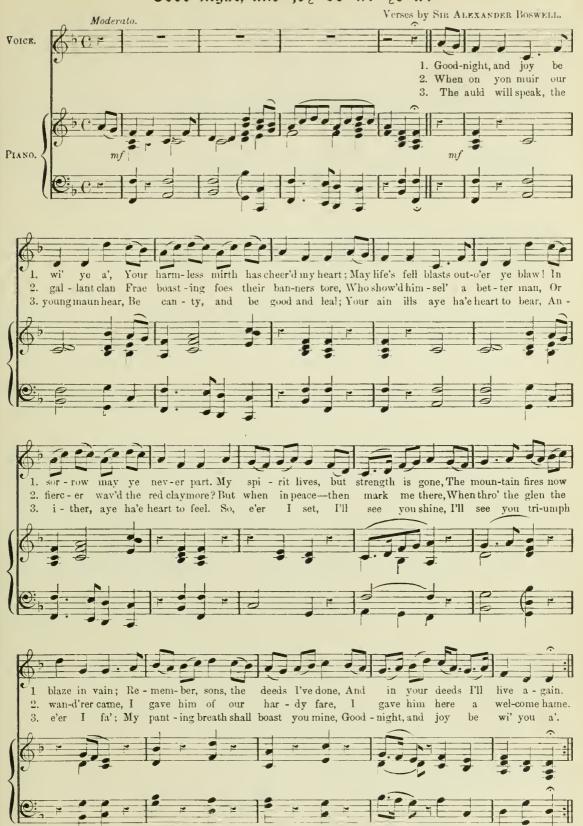


\* The first three verses of this song with its air appeared in Johnson's Scot's Musical Museum (No. 418). The fourth verse seems to have been added by some public singer. Mr. John Dunlop, Collector of Customs, Port Glasgow, and Lord Provost of Glasgow in 1794, wrote verses beginning: "Oh, dinna ask me gin I lo'e thee," which enjoyed much popularity during the first half of the century. The following is the first verse from the song in the Museum (No. 417). Although the verses are marked there as being "written for this work by Robert Burns," we are inclined to believe that this verse is a fragment of some old traditionary song:—

Comin' thro' the rye, poor body,
Comin' thro' the rye,
She draight a' her petticotie
Comin' thro' the rye.
Chorus.—Oh. Jenny's a' weet, poor bodie,
Jenny's seldom dry;
She draight a' her petticotie
Comin' thro' the rye.

In The Musical Repository, published in Glasgow in 1799—two years after vol. v. of the Museum—the same song appears with a fourth verse, which also smacks of an earlier period. Burns' name is not mentioned in connection with the song in the Repository, which is headed: "Original words to the foregoing tune." The theory that by the "rye," some stream or ford is indicated, is quite erroneous. In every version of the song which we have seen, the word has been written rye—not with a capital R. The state of a rye-field in damp weather would be quite sufficient to reduce the "petticotic" of a careless young lady to a "draight" condition. The earliest version of the tune is in Bremner's soits Tunes, Bk. VI., 1759, as "The Miller's Wedding" (see note on p. 200)

### Good=night, and joy be wi' ye a'.\*

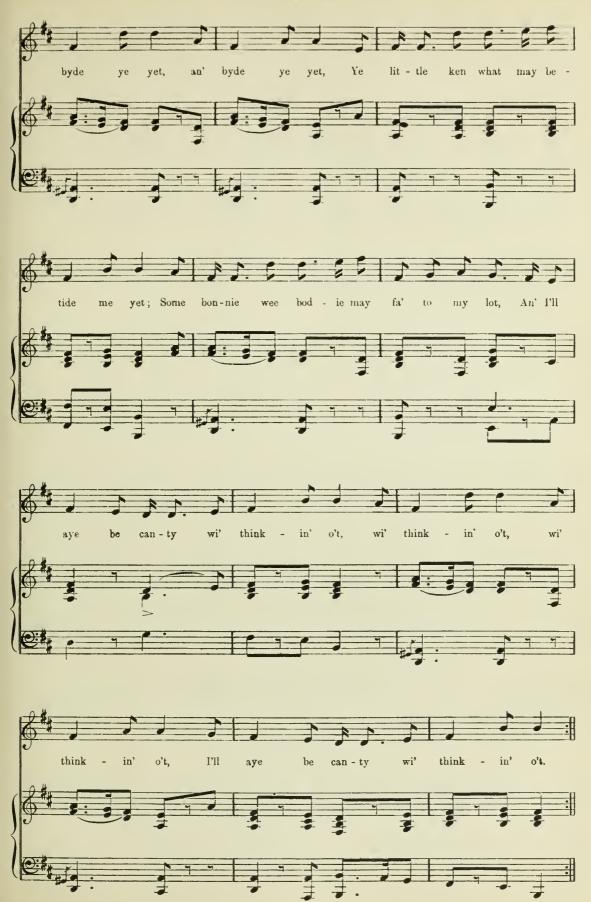


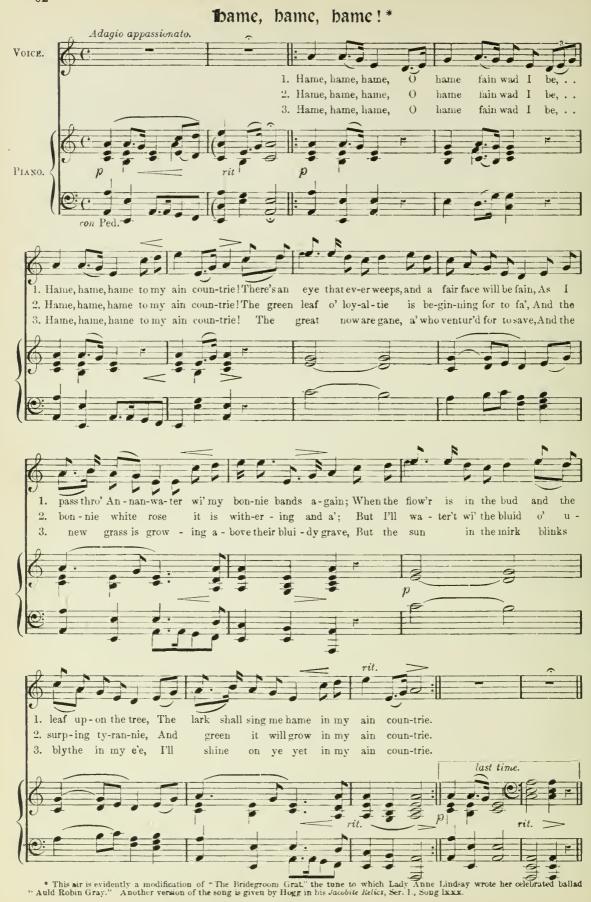
\* Hogg also wrote verses to this air, beginning: "The year is wearin' to the wane." Each stanza closes with, "Guid nicht an' joy be wi' you a'." The tune occurs in the Skene MS. named "Good-night, and joy be wi' yon." This title is supposed to be the origin of the songs written by so many poets on the same theme. In his Border Minstrelsy, Sir Walter Scott prints two stanzas which tradition has preserved as the tarewell of one of the Armstrongs on the eve of his execution for the murder of Sir John Carmichael of Edrom, an event which took place in 1600. These verses close with, "I hope ye're a' my friends as yet, good-night, and joy be wi' ye all!" The air is very old, and was first published by Playford in his Scotch Tunes, 1700.

#### Gin 3 had a wee house.



\* This song was first printed in Herd's Antient and Modern Scottish Songs, vol. ii., 1776. Its author is unknown. A clever parody on "Byde ye yet" was written by Miss Jenny Graham of Dumfries (b. 1724), beginning, "Alas! my son, you little know the sorrows that from wedlock flow." It was published by Herd under the title of "The Wayward Wife." The air is in the Museum, vol. i., 1788.





### beavy the beat of the weary waves.



<sup>\*</sup> A somewhat different version of this melody is included in Captain Fraser's Airs Peculiar to the Scottish Highlands, 1816.

## bear me, ye nymphs, and every swain.

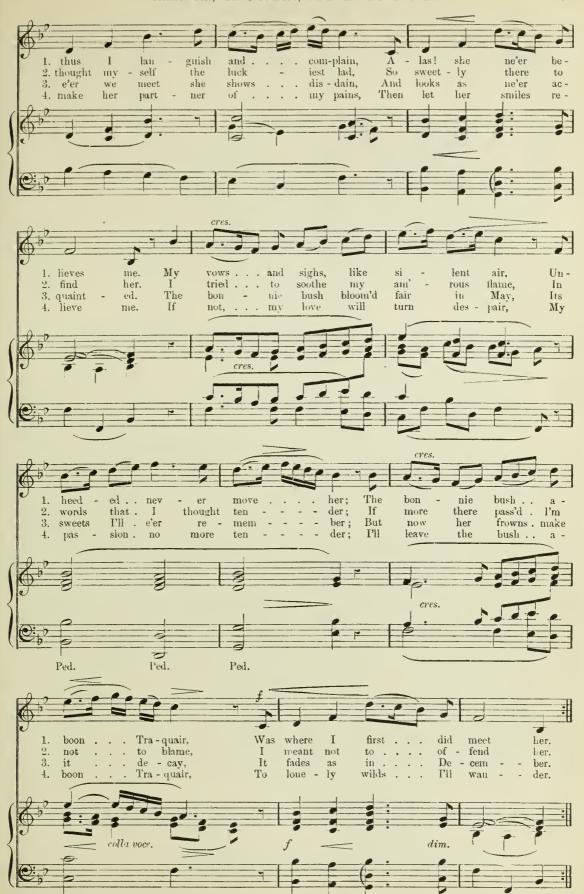
THE BUSH ABOON TRAQUAIR.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This air first appears in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 3, adapted to Crawfurd's verses. It is one of the seven tunes ascribed by the editor of that work to "David Rizzio." In Watt's Musical Miscellany, vol. ii., p. 97, 1729, we find a slightly different version of the melody under the title of "The Bonnie Bush o' boon Traquhair." Crawfurd was drowned in 1732. These verses have been often wrongly ascribed to William Crawfurd (of Auchinames). The song beginning:

in Gay's opera Polly, 1729, is marked to be sung to the air, "The Bush a-boon Traquair." Traquair is a parish in Peeblesshire; it is watered by the stream Quair.

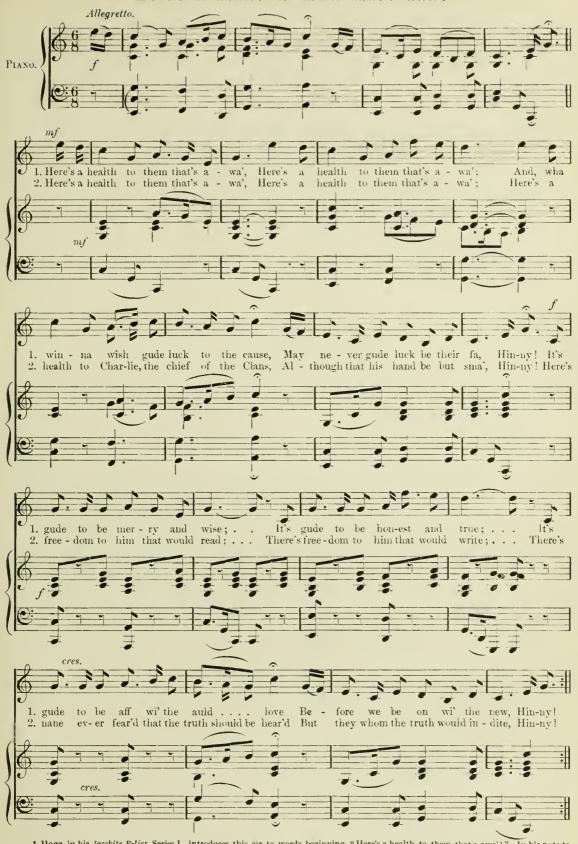
<sup>&</sup>quot;The crow or daw thro' all the year No fowler seeks to ruin,"





Here awa', there awa', here awa', Willie, Here awa', there awa', here awa' hame; Lang have I sought thee, dear have I bought thee, Now I have gotten my Willie again.

#### bere's a health to them that's awa'.\*



\* Hogg, in his Jacobite Relics, Series I., introduces this air to words beginning, "Here's a health to them that's awa'!" In his note to the song, p. 217, he remarks: "This has always been a popular air, and one of those songs that Allan Ramsay altered into a love song for the sake of preserving the old chorus, which he has done in many instances, and for which he can scarcely be blamed; because to have published any of the Jacobite songs at that day was risking as much as his neck was worth." Burns wrote the above verses in 1792. They are supposed to be in honour of the Liberal leaders of the House of Commons. By "Charlie, the Chief of the Clans" is meant the Right Hon. Charles Fox.

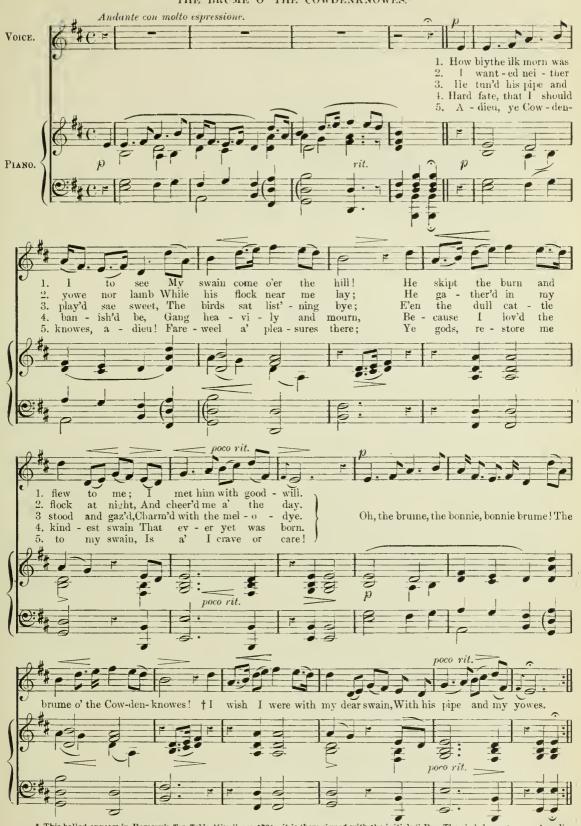
# Thie upon Thielands and laigh upon Tay.



<sup>\*</sup> This ballad is supposed to be a Lament for one of the adherents of the house of Argyle, who was killed in the battle of Glenlivat, 3rd October, 1594. The air is included in Smith's Scottish Minstrel, 1822.

## Thow blythe ilk morn was 3 to see.

THE BRUME O' THE COWDENKNOWES.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This ballad appears in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724; it is there signed with the initials S.R. The air belongs to a much earlier period. Stenhouse (Johnson's Scot's Museum Illustrations) considers it to be one of the Scottish tunes introduced into England not long after the union of the crowns, 1603. We have adopted the older version of the air as given by Thomson, Oswald, and McGilbbon. The more modern version is found in Watts Musical Miscellany, vol. vi., 1729, and in the last number of the first act of The Eeggar's Opera, 1727, the duet between Polly and Macheath, beginning: "The miser thus a shilling sees."

† Thomson's version differs here—"I wish I were at hame again To milk my daddy's ews" (see Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 10).

Voice.

eye - lids

1. None will be

3. Soft-ly he's

4. Beau-ti - ful

Cat-tle and

4. slum - ber

hush=a=by, darling.\* (LULLABY.) Ancient Lochaber "Cronan" or Lullaby. Translated from the Gaelic by LACHLAN MACBEAN. Andantino. dar - ling, and 1. Hush - a by, 2. Lul - la - by, lit - tle 3. si - lent - ly and Pla - cid - ly, peace - ful - ly, dim. hush - a - by, dear 0, Hush - a darl - ing will vet ba. by, He'll be and fight bon - nie wee he - ro, for us may be;  $\mathbf{a}$ jew - el, lov - ing clos Dear - est gent - ly he's dozare ing, wee so ing; has bound him, An - gels - ly watch - ing  $\mathbf{a}$ round him; poco a poco crescendo. big - ger brav - er Lul - la - by, lit - tle or or er, one. strong hor - ses and sheep will his be, None will be bold-er or prey Sound-ly he's sleep-ing and by slum - ber o'er tak en, rest - ing Sweet-ly they spi - rits, his sor - row be guil ing, whis-per and colla voce.

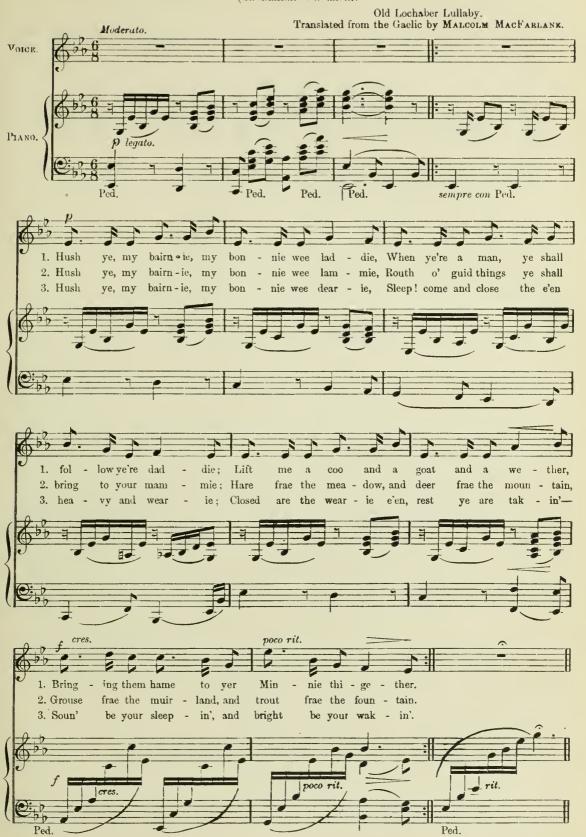


- cry ing no lon ger.
- 2. brav er than by.
- 3. sweet ly he'll wak en. ba - by smil ing.
- poco rit.

<sup>\*</sup> From Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands, 1884, by the kind permission of the editor, Mr. Lachlan MacBean. The molody is very old and was published for the first time by Mr. MacBean.

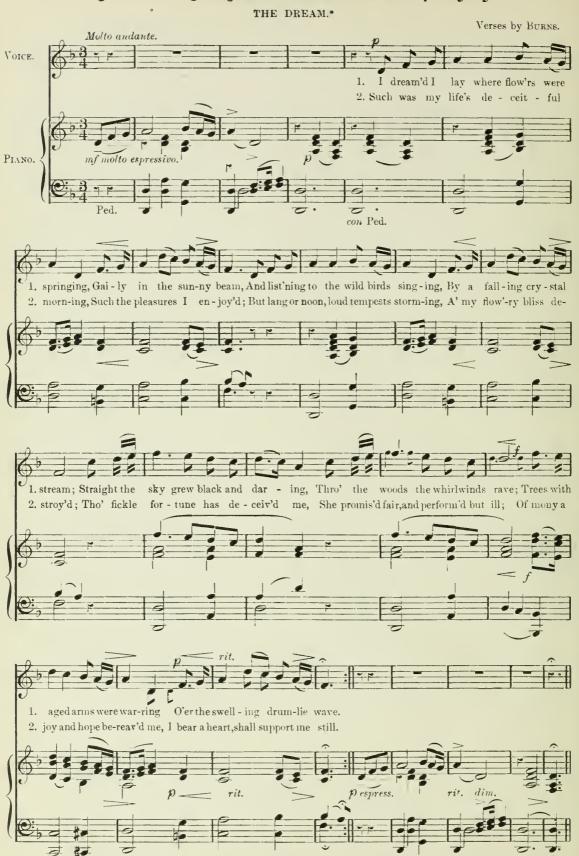
### Thush ye, my bairnie.\*

(Cagaranan Gaolach.)



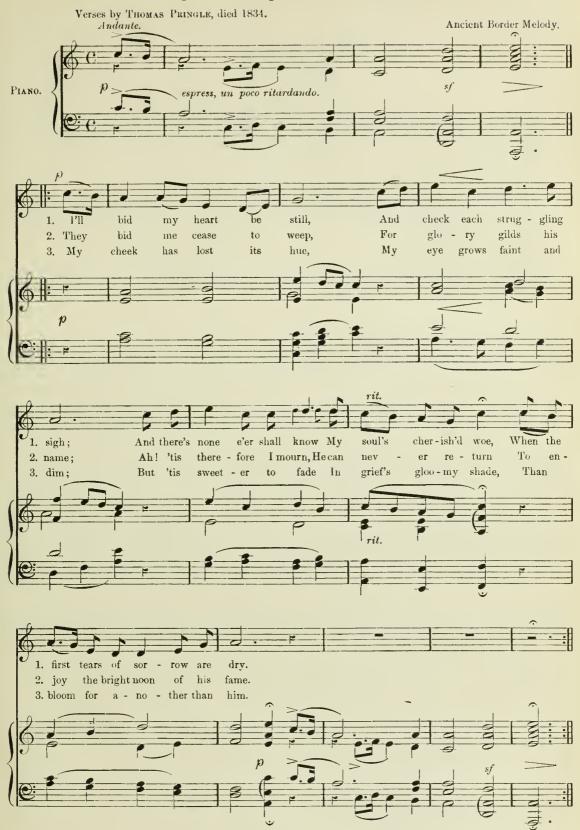
\* This is another ancient Lochabar lullaby. It speaks of a time when "cattle-lifting" was considered an honourable occupation, and engaged in by every chief who could venture to do so. The Clan MacKay were known as Clann Aoidh nan creach, MacKay of the Raids; while the gathering tune of the Clan MacFarlane is 'Thogail nam bo, To lift the cattle.

# 3 dream'd 3 lay where flow'rs were springing.



\* Burns composed these two stanzas when he was seventeen years of age. The air first appears in Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, Song No. 146, and seems to have an Irish ring about it.

## 3'll bid my beart be still.\*



\* This song was first published in Albyn's Anthology, 1816. On p. 41 of that work, Alexander Campbell, the Editor, has the following note "This sweetly rural and plaintive air, like many others of the more ancient Border melodies, has but one part, or rather ore measure. It was taken down by the Editor from the singing of Mr. Hogg and his friend Mr. Priugle, author of the pathetic verses to which it is united." Campbell gives three of the original verses beginning, "O once my thyme was young."

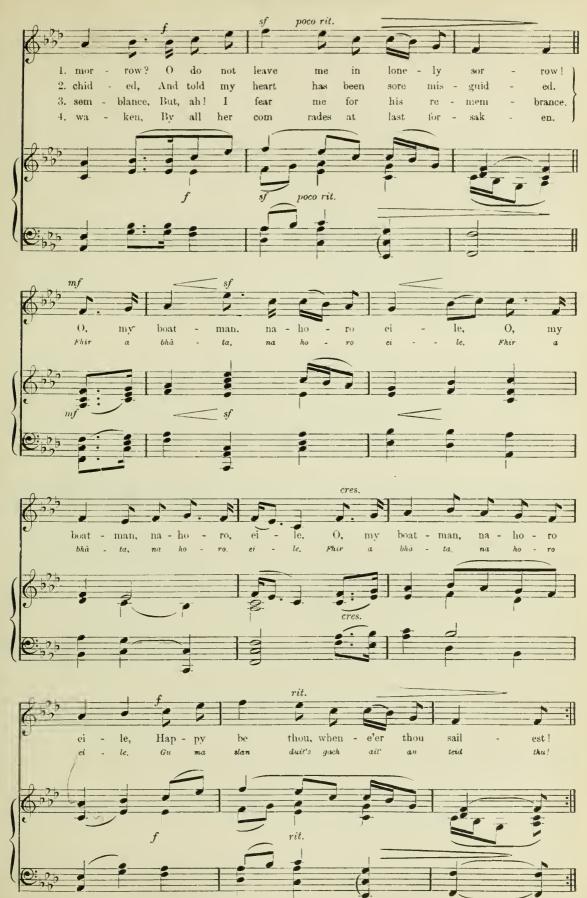
# 3 climb the mountains.

THE BOATMAN.\*

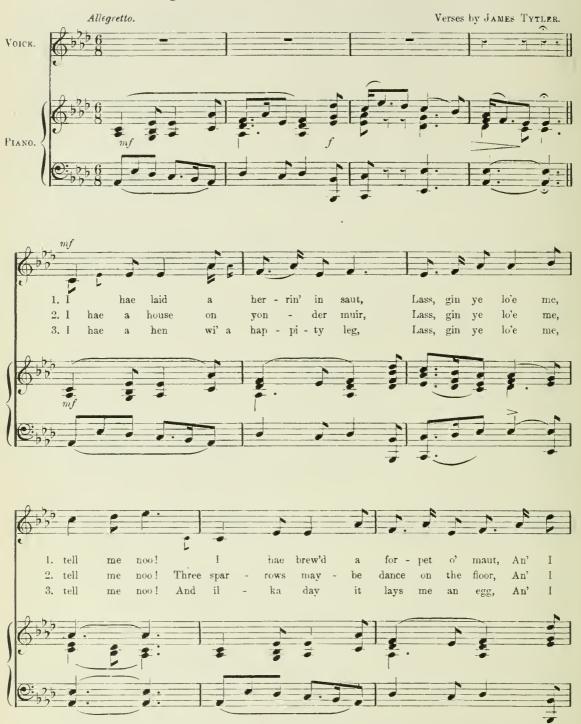
(FEAR A BHATA.)



\* From Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands, by the kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Lachlan MacBean. This melody is one of the many ancient Gaelic airs, about which it is almost impossible to obtain any historical information. It is evidently very old, and is one of the most beautiful and popular melodies of the Scottish Highlands.



### 3 bae laid a berrin' in saut.\*



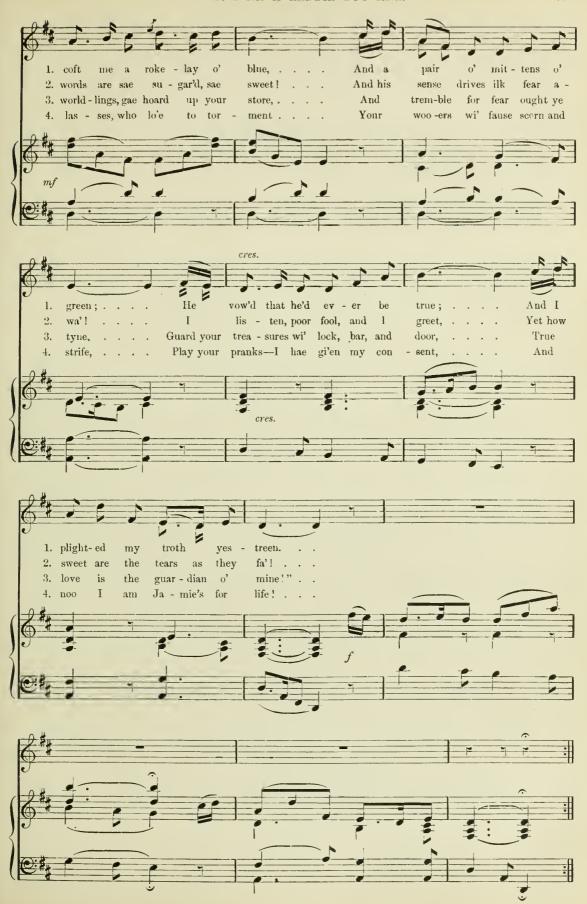
\*The construction of this air proves it to be of considerable antiquity. Tytler's poem is merely a slightly altered version of a fragment published in Herd's Collection, 1776, vol. ii., p. 22, beginning, "I hae layen three herring in sa't." An old English song on a similar subject can be traced back as far as Henry VIII.'s time. A version of it occurs in D'Urfey's Pills to Purpe Melancholy, vol. iii., p. 114, and each verse closes with "I cannot, cannot come every day to wooe." The air is in Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. ii., 1782.



## 3 lo'e na a laddie but ane.\*

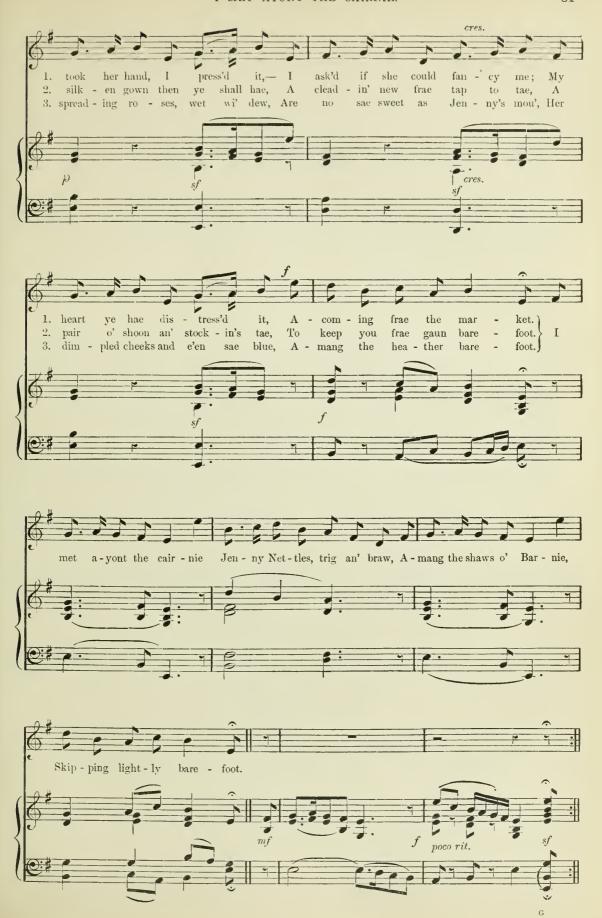


\* This air, set to the old English song, "My lodging is on the cold ground," was published in Horsfield's Vocal Music or the Songster's Companion, London, 1775. The Rev. John Clunie was born 1757, and died 1819.





\* The author of these verses is unknown. An older and coarser version is found in Ramsay's Tea-Fable Miscellany. A tune occurs in the Skene MS, entitled, "I love my love for love again," which is considered to be an early version of the air "Jenny Nettles." For an interesting account of the strange being known as Jenny Nettles, see Mr. R. Chambers' note to the song in Songe of Scotland prior to Burns. The tune is inserted in Bremner's Scots Reels, Bk. x., 1760.



## 3 met four chaps von birks amang.

JENNY'S BAWBEE.\*



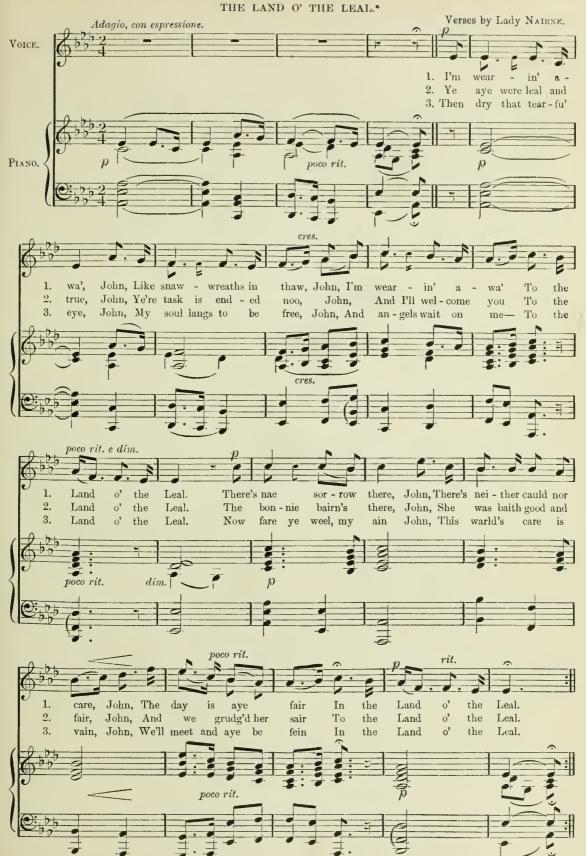
\* A fragment of the old song is given in Herd's Scots Songs, 1776, vol. ii., p. 204. Boswell's verses were published anonymously in 1803. He shortly afterwards presented them to George Thomson for his collection of Scottish melodies. Sir Alexander Boswell was a son of the biographer of Dr. Johnson. He was born in 1775, and died in 1822. The air is derived from an old Scottish dance tune, which Campbell has published in his Collection of Reels, 1778, as "Jenny's Babee,"



## 3 mourn for the Ibighlands.\*



# 3'm wearin' awa', John.

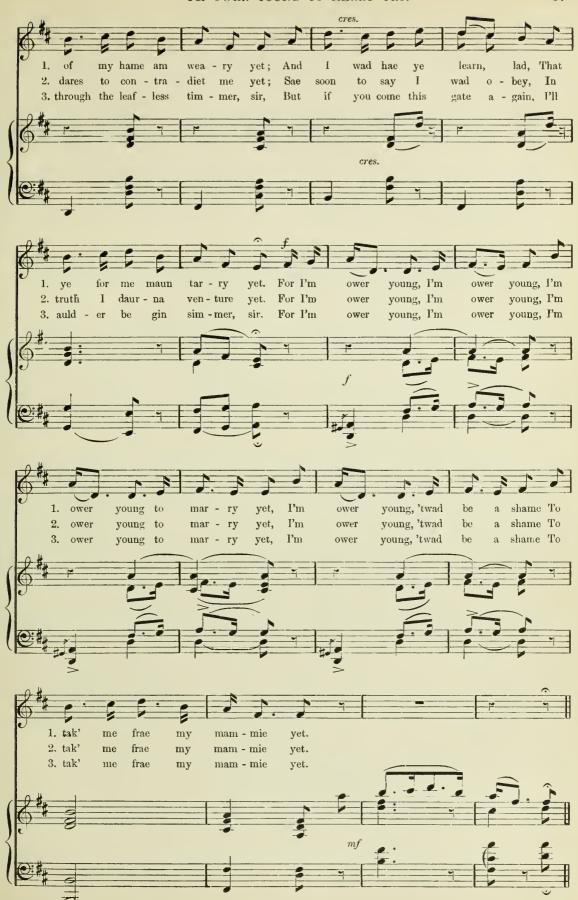


\* This beautiful lyric was written by Lady Nairne as a token of sympathy to a friend whose child died. It was long considered to be the composition of Robert Burns. The melody is another version of "Hey, tuttie tattie," see p. 195.

## 3'm ower young to marry yet.\*

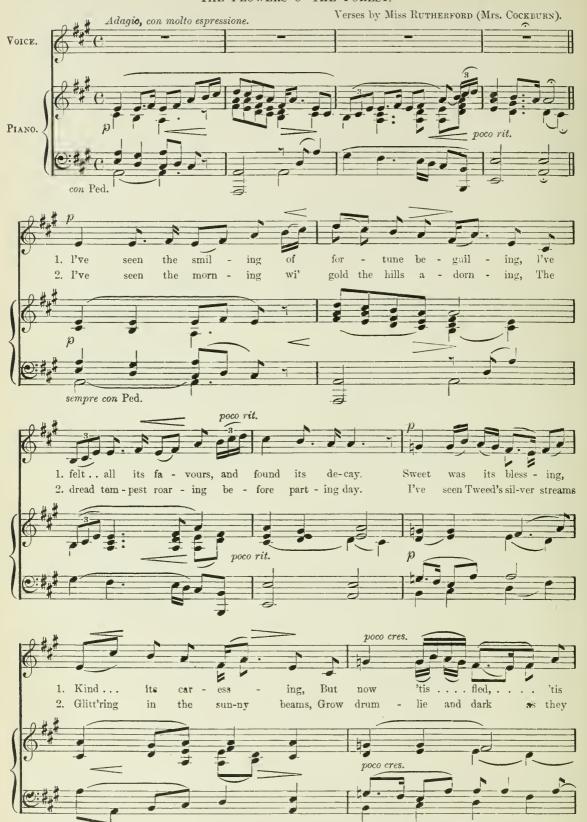


\* The chorus of this song is old; the rest was written by Burns for Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum. Burns' verses have, however, gradually undergone a considerable change to suit modern taste. The original melody to which the song was set, was the old tune, "O'er young to marry yet," published in Brenner's Scots Tunes, Bk. IV., 1758; but since the beginning of the present century it has been entirely displaced by the modern sprightly strathspey tune given above.



### 3've seen the smiling.

THE FLOWERS O' THE FOREST.\*



\* A version of this melody appears in the Skene MS., circa 1615-1620, as "The Flowers of the Forreste." Miss Rutherford, the authoress of the verses, was born in 1712. She married Mr. Patrick Cockburn of Ormiston in 1731, and died at Edinburgh in her 85th year. By The Forest in this song is meant the whole of Selkirkshire and a part of Peeblesshire. In olden times this district of Scotland was called The Forest and was the favourite hunting ground of the Scottish kings and nobles. Miss Rutherford's poem was first published in The Lark, Edinburgh, 1765, p. 37. The modern version of the air is in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. 1X., c. 1758.

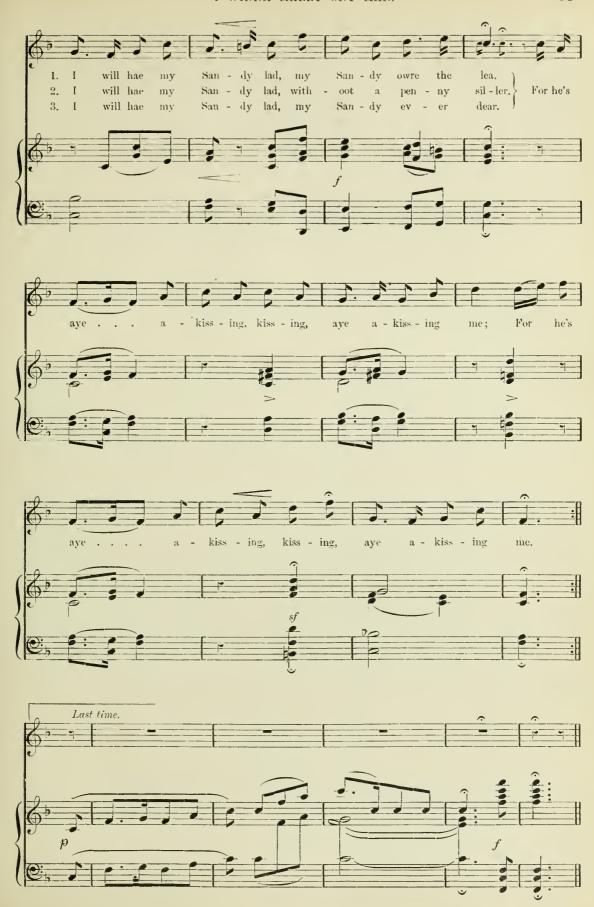


#### 3 winna marry ong man.

HE'S AYE A KISSING ME.\*



\* In Gow's Second Collection of Reels, 1788, a tune occurs, entitled "Sandy o'er the lee, or Mr. Baird's favourite Reel," and again in his Complete Repository, pt. ii., another, entitled "He's aye kissing me." But both these airs are entirely different from the one above, which is taken, with the verses, from the Scots' Musical Susseum, vol. ii. (1790), No. 274. In his note to the song, Stenhouse writes, "I winna marry ony man' is an Anglo-Soottish production. In 1776, Mr. James Hook adapted the words to a new air composed by himself, which was published in 1777, in a collection of songs, sung at Vauxhall by Mr. Vernon, etc.—Museum Illustrations, p. 257. A good version of the tune occurs in Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. ii., 1782, as "Sandy o'er the Lee."





\* We give Charles Kirkpatrick Sharpe's version of the melody. He considered it to be the genuine old Annandale tune. The tragedy of "Fair Helen" is too well known to repeat here; an interesting account of it is given in the Museum Additional Illustrations, p. 208\*.

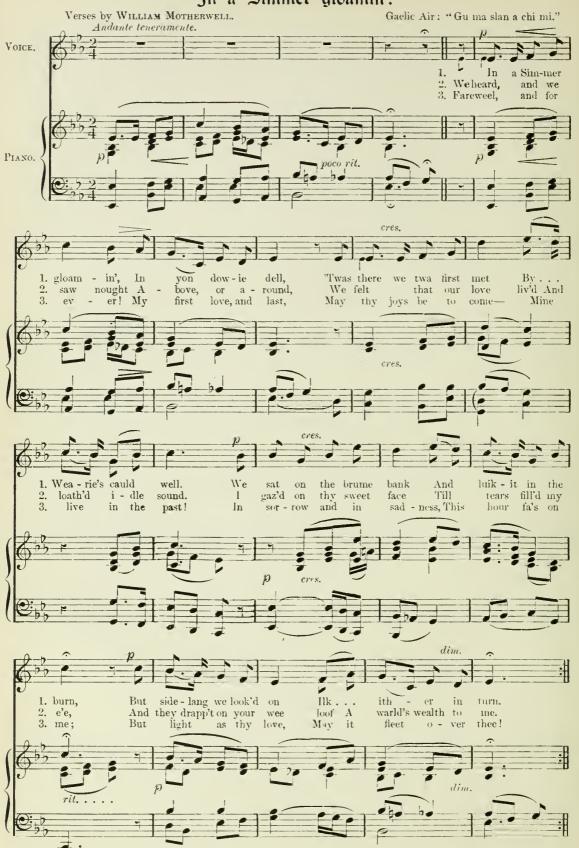
#### 3 wish 3 were now in that 3sle of the Sea.

(EILEAN AN FHRAOICH.)



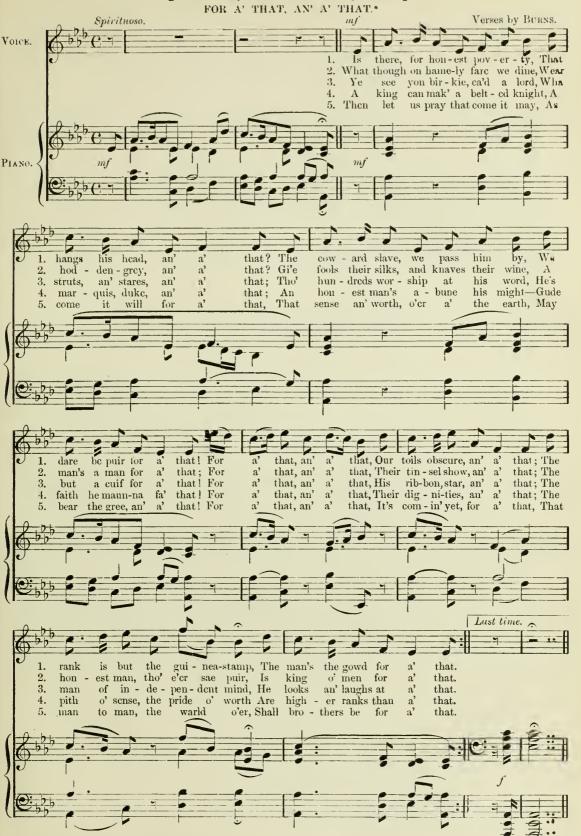
\* From the Celtic Lyre, by kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte, Glasgow. This is a song in praise of the Island of Lewis. The air is of native growth, and the Gaelic verses were written by Mr. M. MacLeod, a native bard. The song has attained considerable popularity in Celtic circles.

#### In a Simmer gloamin'.\*



\* Alexander Campbell, in his Albyn's Anthology, vol. i., 1816, has included this air with new verses by himself beginning, "Blythesome may I see thee." We have, however, given the preference to Motherwell's beautiful poem. A Gaelic song, entitled "Mo chailin dileas donn," by Hector MacKenzie, Ullapool, and set to the same tune, has in latter years become very popular in the Highlands. Translations of MacKenzie's verses are given in The Celtic Lyre, and in Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands.

## 3s there, for bonest poverty.



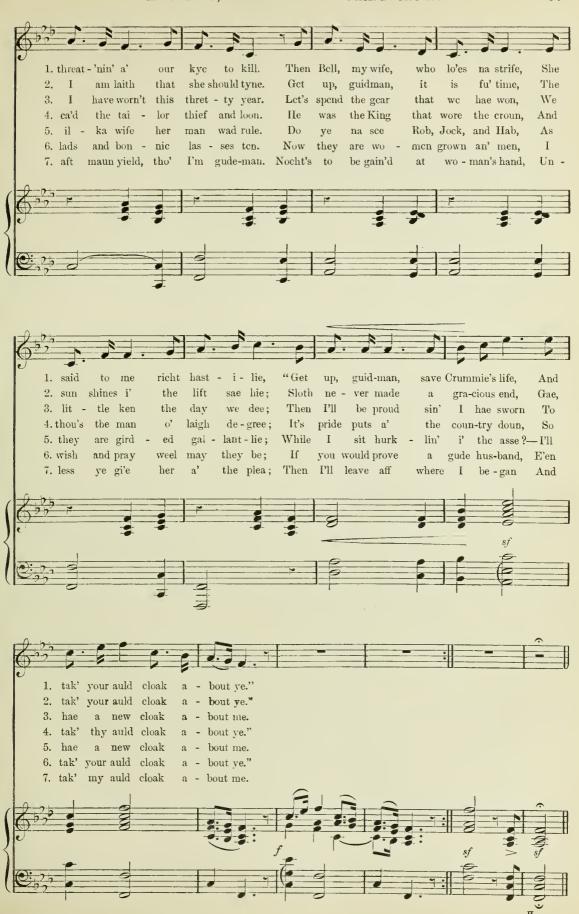
\* The authorship of this melody is unknown. Burns wrote the verses in 1794. "They were handed about in manuscript a considerable time before they appeared in print. They unfortunately came out at a period when political disputes ran very high, and his enemies did not fail to interpret every sentence of them to his prejudice" (Stenhouse). Burns also wrote his song, beginning "Tho' women's minds, like winter winds," to the same air. It appears in vol. iii. of the Scots Musical Museum. In Gow's Collection of Rels, pt. i., 1784, the tune occurs as "Sir John Whitefoord's Strathspey, by Nath. Gow"; and again, in the Repository, pt. iii., as "There's nae luck about the house; or, for a' that and a' that." But as early as 1759, Bremner had printed it in his Scots Reels, Bk. VII., as "Lady McIntosh's Reel." In Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. i., issued in 1782, and therefore twelve years prior to Burns' composition, there is a tune which has but little in common with the one above, entitled "For a' that and a' that."

# In winter, when the rain rain'd cauld.

TAK' YOUR AULD CLOAK ABOUT YE.\*



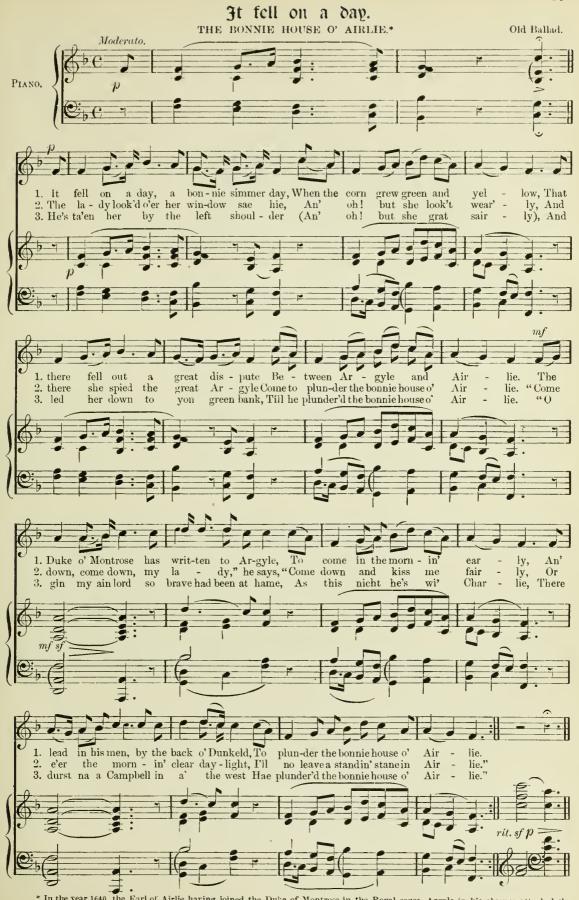
\* A version of this ballad is in the Percy Folio MS., c. 1649, as "Bell my Wiffe," but the one adopted here is from Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, vol. i. A slightly altered stanza from the song is sung by lago in Othello. It occurs in act ii., sc. 3, "King Stephen was a w rtty peer," etc. Oswald has inserted the air in the Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. II., c. 1745; both ballad and air are in Bremner's Scots Tunes, Bk. I., 1757.



### It fell about the Mart'mas time.



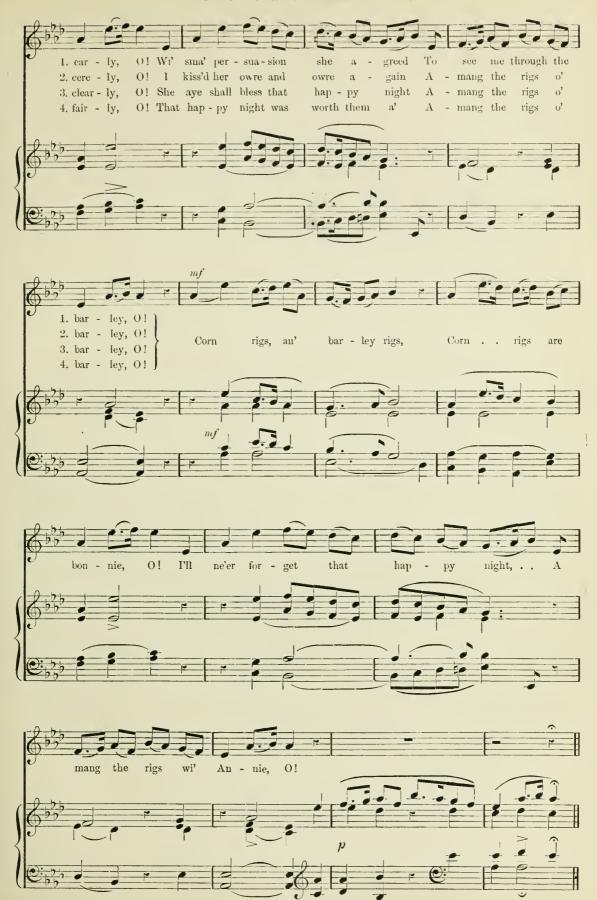
<sup>\*</sup> From Herd's Collection, vol. ii., p. 159, printed in 1776. Under the title of "The Barring of the Door," the tune is included in Aird's Selection, vol. ii., 1782.



## 3t was upon a Lammas night.\*

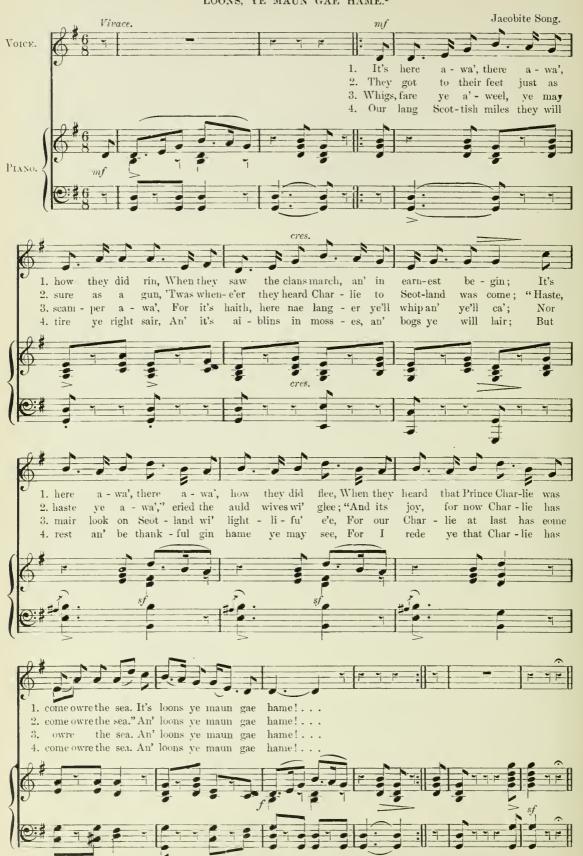


\* These verses were written by Burns in his younger years. The tune "Corn Riggs" is very old. It is in Playford's Choice Ayres, Bk. H1., 1681, as "A Northern Song," and in A Choice Collection of 180 Loyal Songs, 3rd edition, London, 1685, it is set to a song entitled "The Loyal Feast." D'Urfey introduced a song beginning, "Sawney was tall and of noble race," in his comedy, The Virtuous Wife or Good Luck at Last, 1680, which was sung to this air; it seems to have become highly popular. As "Sawney," the tune occurs in Apollos Banquet, editions of 1687 and 1690; it is possible that Playford printed it in some of the earlier issues of that work which the Editor has not seen. The closing song in The Gentle Shepherd, "My Patie was a lover gay," was written to the tune of "Corn Riggs." Ramsay's fine lyric entirely extinguished D Urfey's production; indeed, it has only fallen into disuse since Burns' "It fell upon a Lammas night" became so popular.

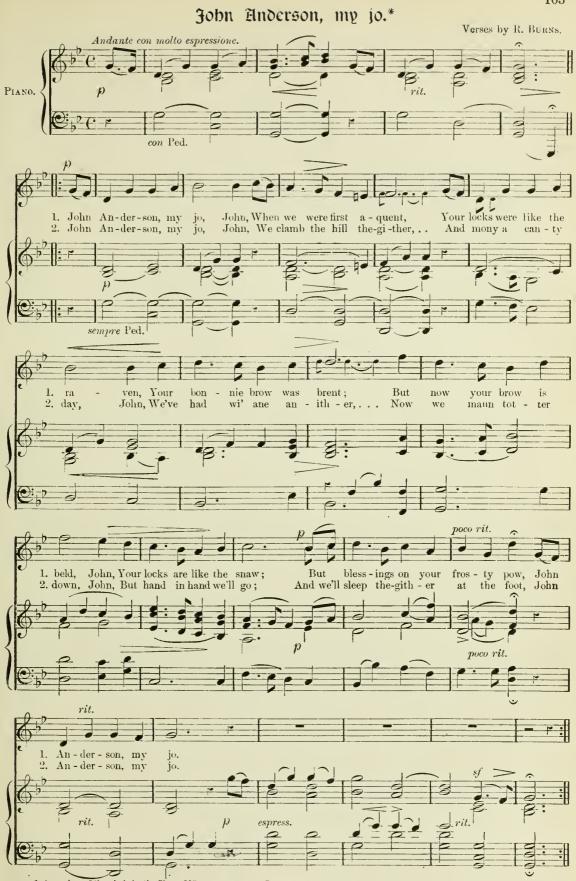


## 3t's here awa', there awa', how they did rin.

LOONS, YE MAUN GAE HAME.\*



<sup>\*</sup> Smith has included this song and air in his Scottish Minstrel, vol. ii., p. 85. The author of the verses is unknown.

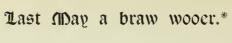


\* A version of the air is in the Skene MS., c. 1615-20, as "Johne Andersonne my Jo." "Paul's Steeple" in Playford's Dancing Master, 1651, p. 69, is not unlike the Scotch air. The first appearance of the tune in print as "John Anderson, my Jo," seems to be in Musik for Allan Kamsay's Collection, Edinburgh, 1726, Bk. V., p. 114; after that it is to be found in many collections of Scottish tunes. Burns wrote the above verses in 1789 for the Museum, vol. iii.



\* These verses seem to have been based on the old ballad entitled, "The Wife of Auchtermuchty," which has come down to us in an uncorrupted state, owing to its preservation in the Bannatyne Manuscript. Regarding this ballad Mr. William Gunnyon says: "In the whole range of our ballad literature, there is nothing more thoroughly humorous than The Wife of Auchtermuchty, which is preserved in the Bannatyne Manuscript, and is supposed to be the production of a Sir John Moffat, a 'Pope's Knight,' and was therefore probably composed about 1520. It has suffered no alteration or corruption."—Illustrations of Scottish History, 1877.







\* "This humorons song was written by Burns in 1787, for the second volume of the \*Museum\*; but Johnson, the publisher who was a religious and well-meaning man, appeared fastidious about its insertion, as one or two expressions in it seemed somewhat irreverent. Burns afterwards made several alterations upon the song and sent it to Mr. George Thomson for his collection, who readily admitted it into his second volume, and the song soon became very popular. Johnson, however, id not consider it at all improved by the later alterations of our bard. . . . . He therefore published the song as originally written by Borns for his work."—(Museum Illustrations, p. 460.) The song and air appear in the sixth volume of the \*Museum\*, p. 538. Stenhouse gives the original name of this tune as "The Queen of the Loathians." A copy of the old verses is given after Burns' song in the \*Museum\*. We have adopted the version of "Last May a braw wooer," sent by Burns to George Thomson.



#### Let us haste to kelvin Grove.

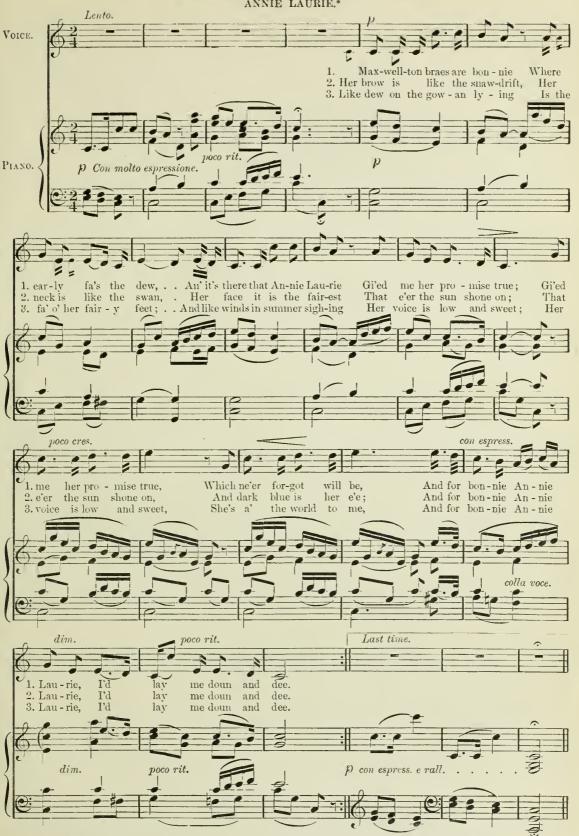
KELVIN GROVE.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This air appears in R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, vol. ii., 1824, under the title of "Kelvin Water." It seems to have been long known as "O the shearin's no for you," which is the first line of the old verses to which the tune was sung. Kelvin Grove is on the river Kelvin, near to where it joins the Clyde at Glasgow.

### Maxwellton braes are bonnie.

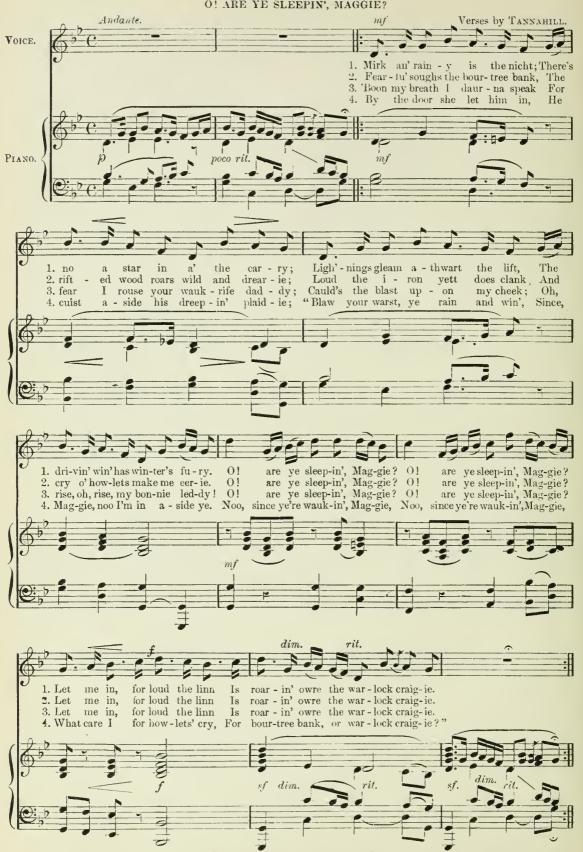
ANNIE LAURIE.\*



\* The older version of "Annie Laurie" first appeared in C. K. Sharpe's A Ballad Book, 1824. In a foot-note, Mr. Sharpe remarks that the heroine was Annie, daughter of Sir Robert Laurie, of Maxwellton, so created in 1885, and that the author of the song is said to be Douglas of Fingland. This may be so, but a version of the second verse is in the song "Doune sat the shepherd swaine," preserved in the Percy MS., c. 1649. Regarding the verses and charming air given above, Lady John Scott has kindly informed us that the air is her composition, and that she altered the second verse and entirely composed the third verse of the song. The earliest copy of Lady Scott's composition in the British Museum is marked 1847.

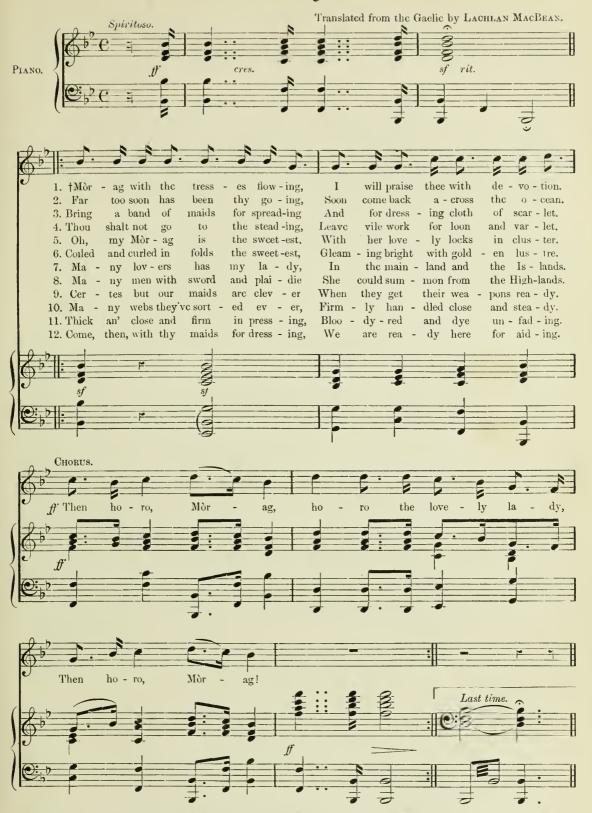
### Mirk an' rainy is the nicht.

O! ARE YE SLEEPIN', MAGGIE?



\* The following is Buchan's note to this song in The Garland of Scotia, 1841: "This song, by Robert Tannahill, was written to the tune of a very old song of the same name. There are few, who have ever lifted a foot on a barn thou, that have not danced to 'Sleepy Maggie.' It is a favourite all the country over." The air given above is in Smith's Scotish Minstrel, vol. vi., set to the song "The Heath cock craw'd."

## Morag.\*



\* By kind permission from Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands. Regarding this song, Mr. Henry Whyte writes us: "These verses were composed by the Jacobite Bard, Alex. MacDonald—commonly called Mac Mhaighstir Alasdair, who was born at the beginning of the 18th century. His father was Episcopal Clergyman at Ardnamurchan. The Bard attended Glasgow University, and was teacher and catechist in Ardnamurchan in 1729. When Prince Charlie landed in 1745, MacDona'd joined his standard, and composed soul-stirring songs to animate his fellow-Highlanders. The song 'Mòrag' has always been popular. It is set to the tune of a waulking-song—i.e. an action song, used by those engaged in waulking the home-made cloth, to ensure unanimity of motion. Prince Charlie is represented under the similitude of Morag, a young girl with flowing locks of yellow hair. She had gone over the seas, and the Bard invokes her to return with a party of maidens (i.e. soldiers) to dress the red cloth, in other words, to beat the English red-coats." † Pronounced Vorack.

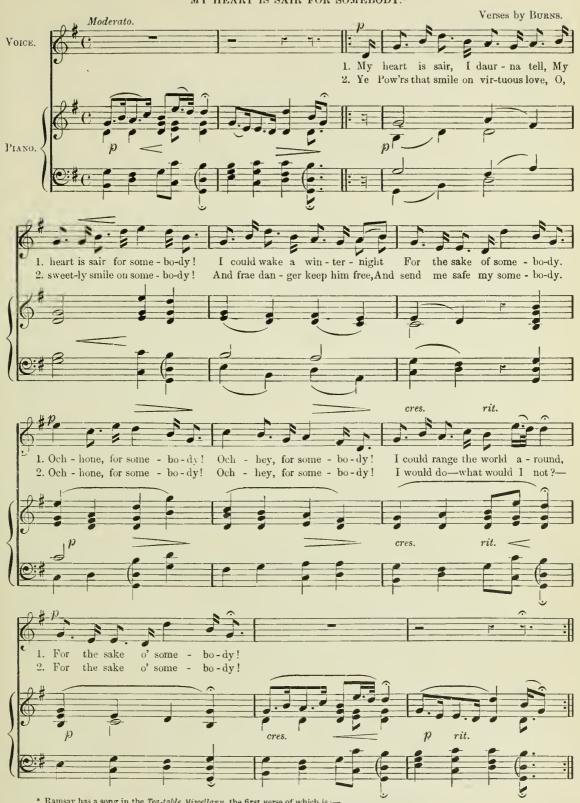
## My beart's in the Ibighlands.\*



\* This is an ancient Gaelic air. It is included in Captain Fraser's Airs peculiar to the Scottish Highlands, 1816, under the title of "Crodh Chailean," and in R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, 1822, as "Crochallan." Burns adapted his verses to an old Highland tune entitled, "Failte na moisg," and it is in conjunction with this air that the poem appears in Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, vol. iii., No. 259.

# My beart is sair, 3 daurna tell.

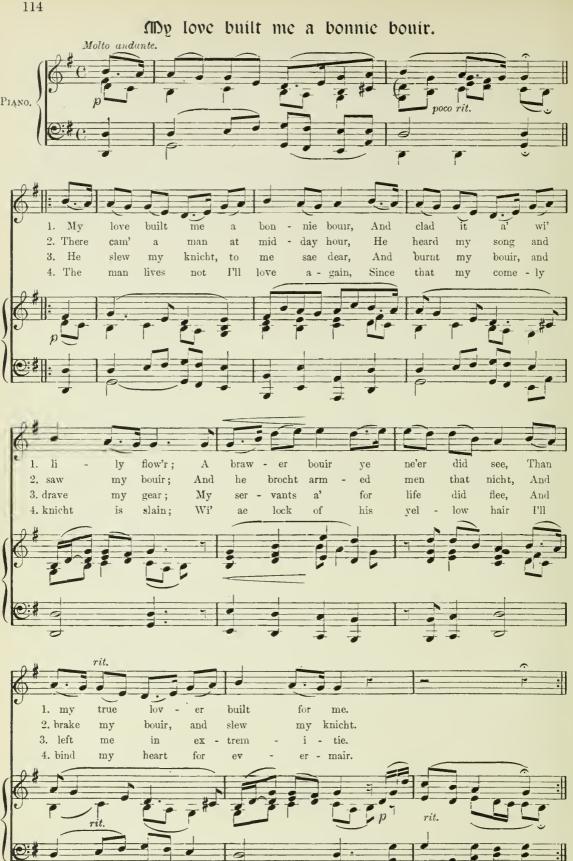
MY HEART IS SAIR FOR SOMEBODY.\*



\* Ramsay has a song in the Tea-table Miscellany, the first verse of which is :-

For the sake of somebody, For the sake of somebody, I cou'd wake a winter-night For the sake of somebody.

Burns wrote his song, "My heart is sair," to an old tune published by Oswald in the Cale lonian Pocket Companion, and to this work, in a note annexed to his mauuscript verses, the poet refers Johnson for the music. Johnson's air, however, has been entirely superseded by the one which we adopt. Regarding it Mr. Peter Buchan writes: "The air is well known and beautiful. We have found it in a Collection which we have every reason to believe is very old."—Garland of Scotia, 1841. It occurs in Gow's Fifth Collection of Reels and Strathspeys, 1808, and is there entitled "Some Body. Old."



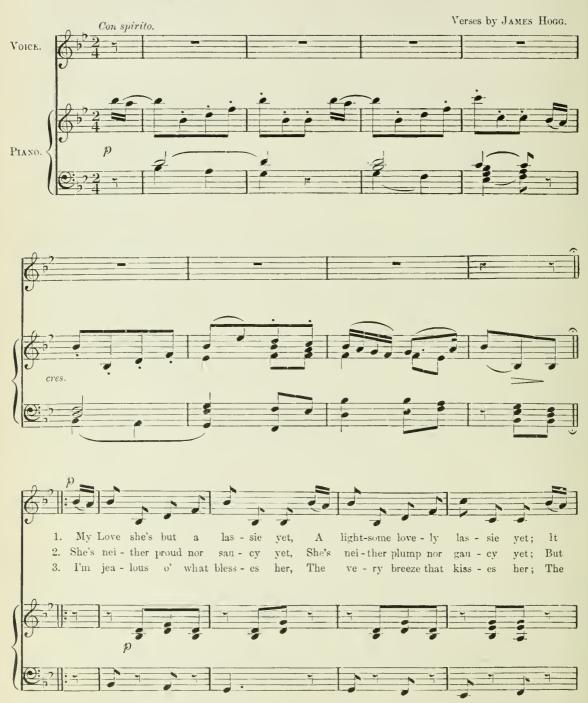
• Sir Walter Scott published this song as a "fragment obtained from recitation in the Forest of Ettrick." He considered it as probably relating to the death of Cockburn, of Henderland, a noted robber, who was executed in 1529 by command of James V.

## My Luve's in Germanie.

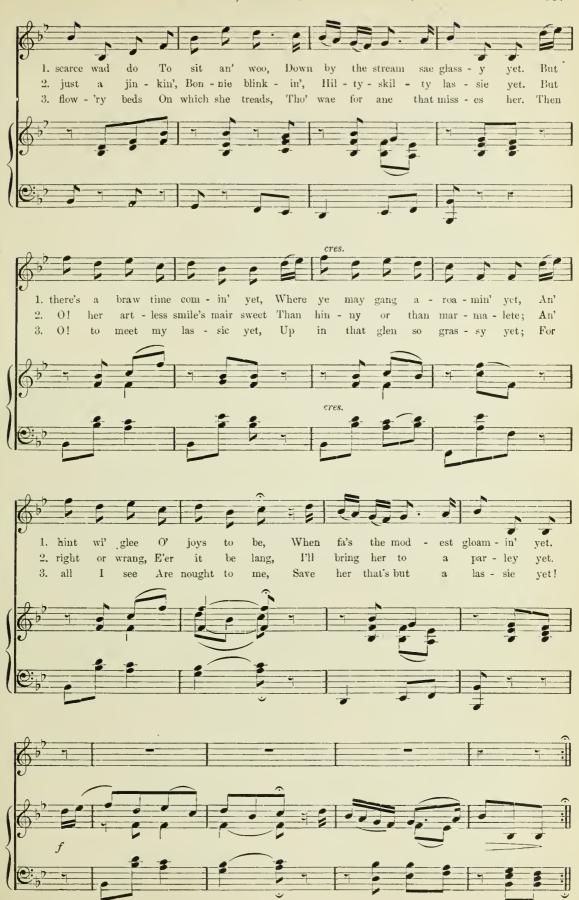


\* In Hogg's Jacobite Relics, Ser. ii., p. 22, this melody is given with verses beginning, "Ken ye how to fight a Whig. Aikendrum, Aikendrum?" Its first appearance in print seems to be in Johnson's Museum, vol. iv. (1792), No. 371, where it is adapted to Jacobitical verses by Burns beginning, "Ye Jacobites by name." In The Complaynt Mascum, vol. iv., i., a song is mentioned entitled, "My lupe is lyand seik, sent hym ioy, sent hym ioy," which may possibly be the first line of the original ballad sung to the above air.

# My Love, she's but a lassic yet.\*

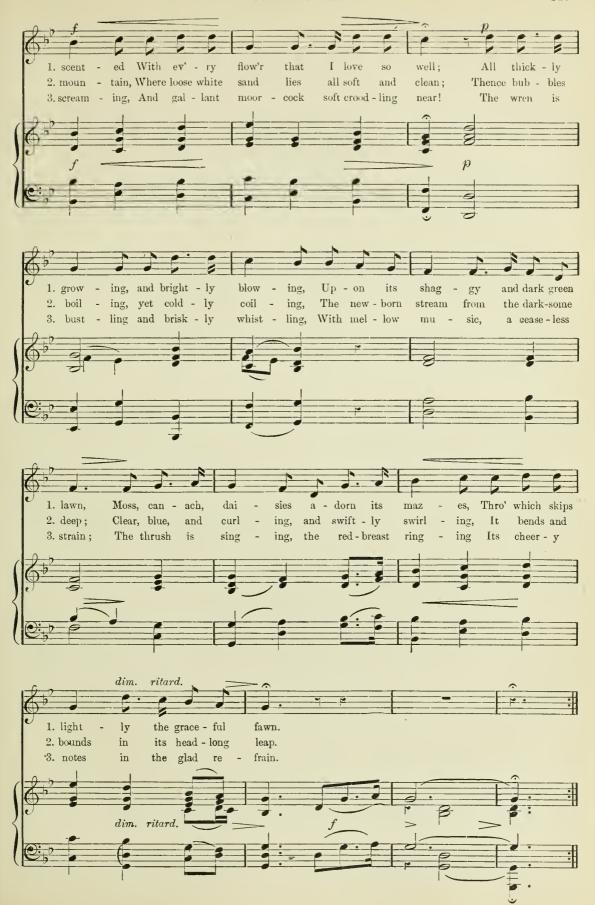


\* As "My Love She's but a Lassie yet," the air is in Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. ii., 1782; in Bromner's Scots Reels, Bk. 111, 1757, it is called "Miss Farquharson's Reel."





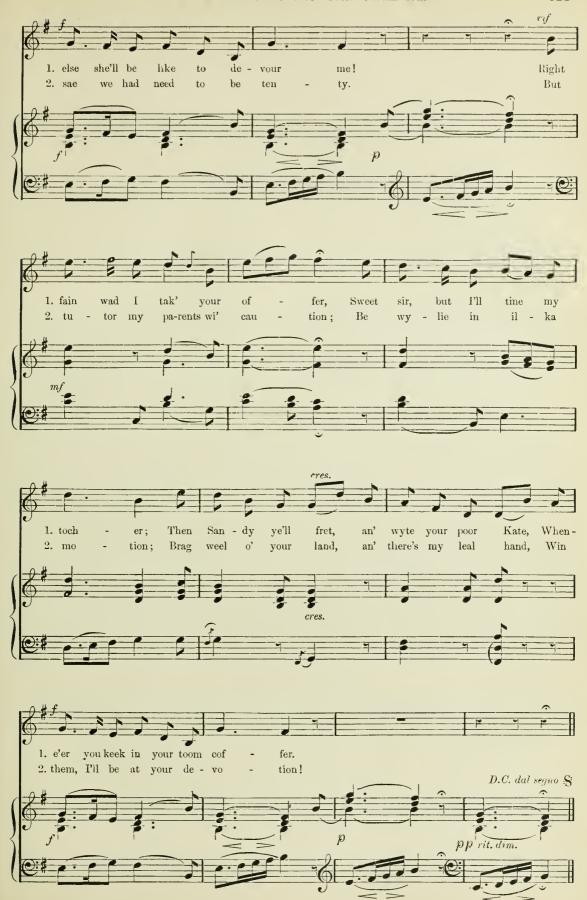
\* By kind permission from Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands. With regard to these verses Mr. Henry Whyte writes: This pastoral song is the composition of Duncan Ban MacIntyre, the Glenorchy Bard, who was born in 1721. In this song, as in his famons poem in praise of Ben Dorain, the poet dwells with loving minuteness on all the varied features and the everchanging aspects of nature as these are displayed in the Misty Dell. The poem, which contains eighteen verses, has been translated by Robert Buchanan, and will be found in his work entitled The land of Lorne. MacIntyre died in Edinburgh in 1812, and was buried in Greyfriars Churchyard. The Bard and his poetry was the subject of one of the lectures delivered by the late Principal Shair, of St. Andrews, from the Chair of Poetry at Oxford, 1877; this lecture is published in the work entitled Aspects of Poetry, published by the Clarendon Press, 1881.



# My Mither's ay glowran owre me.\*

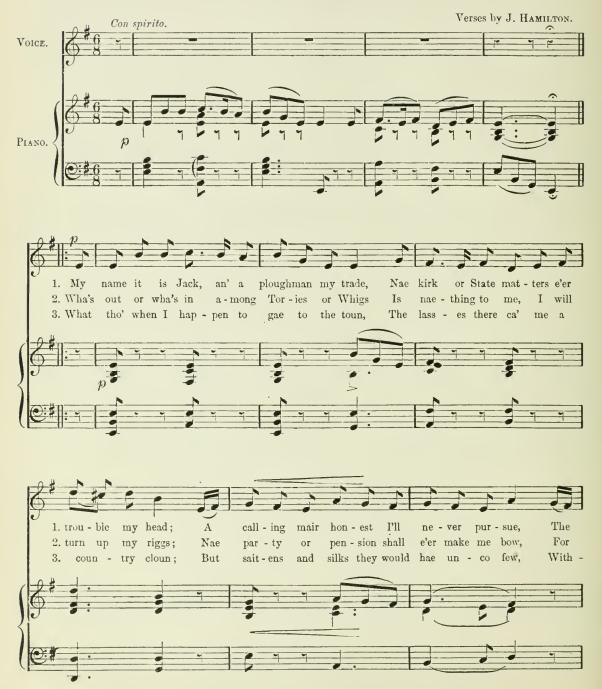


\* These verses were written by Allan Ramsay for his Tea-table Miscellany, 1724. They are entitled "Katy's Answer." and refer to the preceding song, "The Young Laird and Edinburgh Katy." Stenhouse considers that the tune is one of those which were introduced into England about the union of the crowns. It appears in John Playford's Dancing Master, 1651, and in Durfey's Pills to Purge Melancholy, vol. ii., 1719, in connection with a coarse song, headed "The Fernale Quarret; or, a lampoon upon Phillida and Chloris. The words made to the tune of a country dance, call'd A Health to Betty." The original verses, entitled "A Health to Betty," are given by Thomson in his Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 25. The second strain of the air, commencing at the ninth bar, is a modern addition.

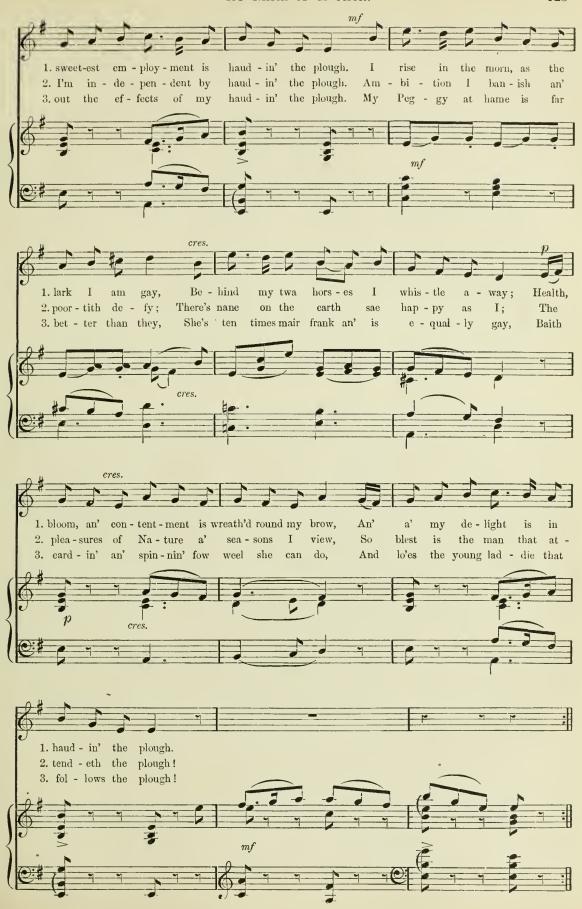


## My name it is 3ack.

THE PLOUGHMAN.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This song with its air appears in A Collection of Twenty-four Scots Songs, by John Hamilton, 1797.



### My Pretty Mary.

PRETTY MARY.\*
(Mà:ri Bhòidheach.)



\* From the Celtic Lyre, by kind permission of Mr. Henry Whyte. Glasgow, who sends us the following note: "'Pretty Mary' is an ancient Hebrideau air. The verses were composed by Alexander Stewart, a schoolmaster in the island of North Uist, Invernesselire. The song was published as early as 1819."

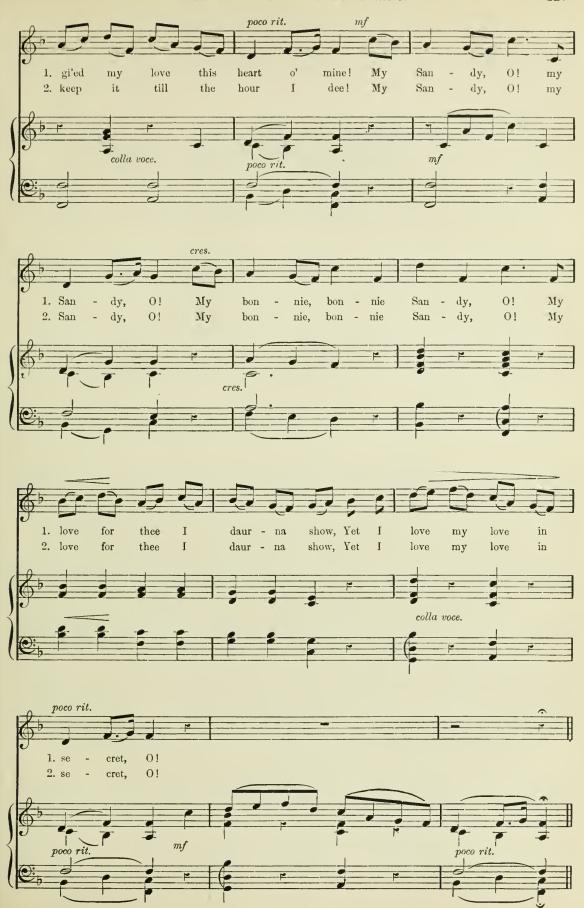


# My Sandy gi'ed to me a ring.

I LOVE MY.LOVE IN SECRET.\*



\* This air is in Playford's Scotch Tunes, 1700, p. 2, as "I love my Love in seacreit." It is also to be found in McGibbon's Scots Tunes, Bk. I., 1742, and in Oswald's Scots Tunes, Edin., 1742. The old verses were slightly altered for the third volume of Johnson's Scots Museum. issued February 1790.

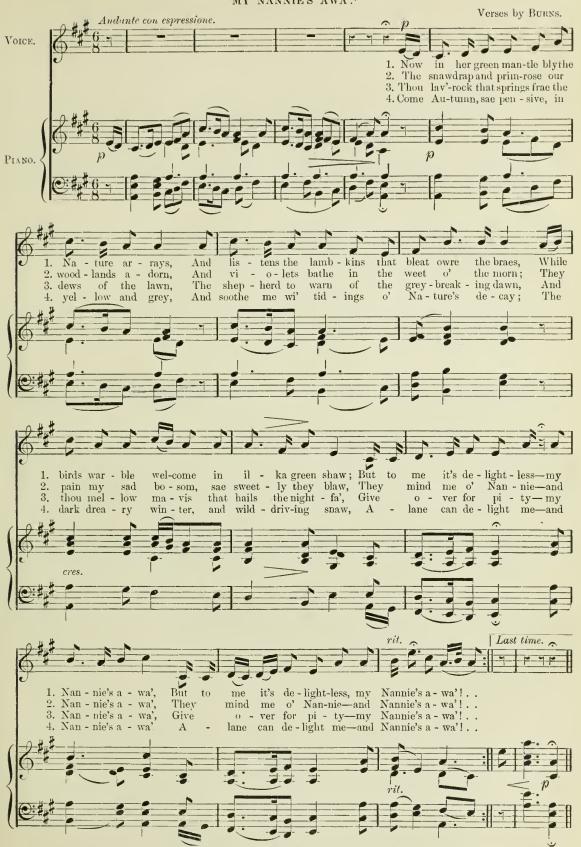




\* R. A. Smith gives this song and air in his Scottish Minstrel, 1822. The air is Highland, and is one of the many versions of "Robi donna Gorach":—Daft Robin.

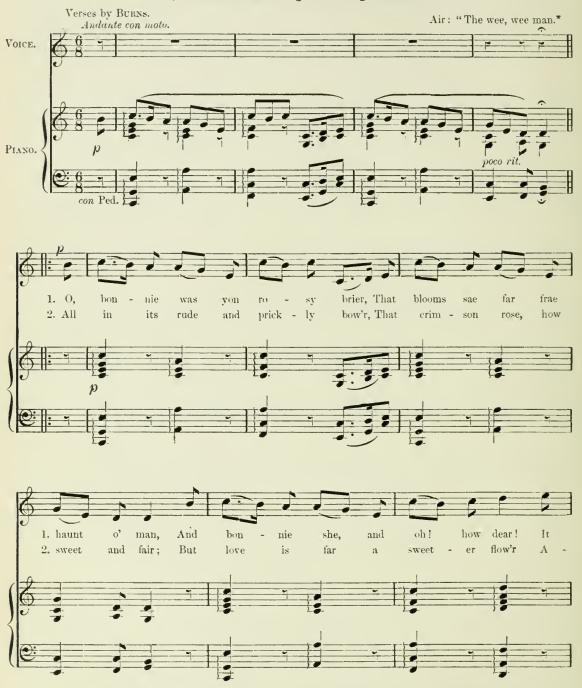
### How in her green mantle blythe Mature arrays.

MY NANNIE'S AWA'.\*

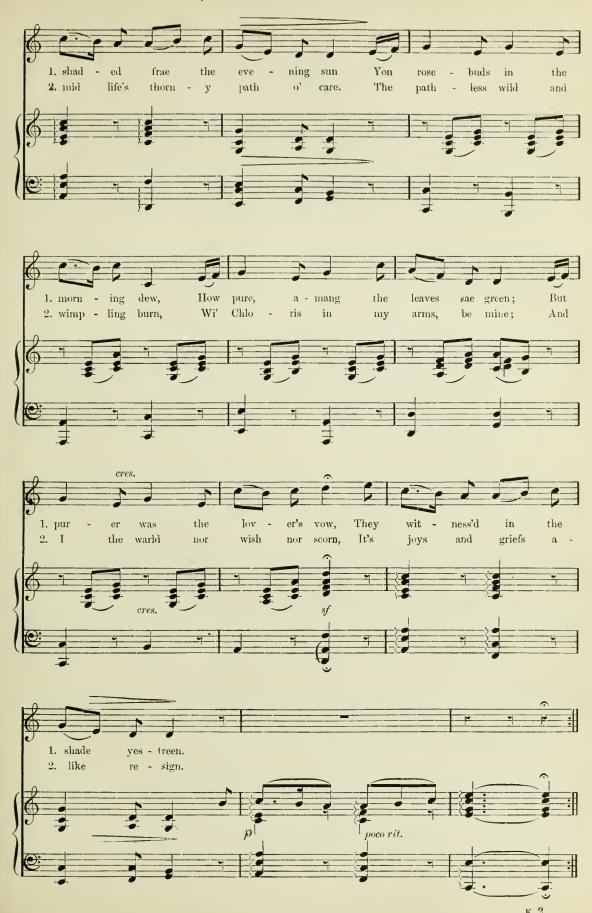


\* Burns wrote these verses in 1792. The heroine of the song is "Clarinda" (Mrs. MacLehose). Regarding the melody, George Farquhar Graham writes in Wood's Songs of Scotland, 1852: "The air we believe to be modern; yet we have not been able to trace it to any composer. Like many other arrs it probably owes its present form to several individuals. It appears to have passed orally from one singer to another, until Mr. George Croall, music seller, Edinburgh, rescued it a few years ago from threatened oblivion." Mr. Croall's air is simply a version of another Scottish melody called "Sandy and Jenny," published in The Royal Albert Songster, c. 1841.

### O, bonnie was you rosy brier.\*



\* John Findlay, in Scottish Historical and Romantic Ballads, vol. ii., 1808, considers this air to be possibly one of the most ancient of our legendary tunes. Burns' verses, "O bonnie was you rosy brier," were written in the summer of 1795, and first published with the above air in George Thomson's Collection, vol. iii. The singular ballad, known as "The wee, wee man," was preserved by David Herd in his first volume of Antient and Modern Scottish Songs, issued in 1769. Its first appearance in conjunction with the air, is in Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, vol. iv., No. 370. As "I'd rather have a plece than a kiss of my Jo," the air is in Aird's Selection, vol. i., 1782.

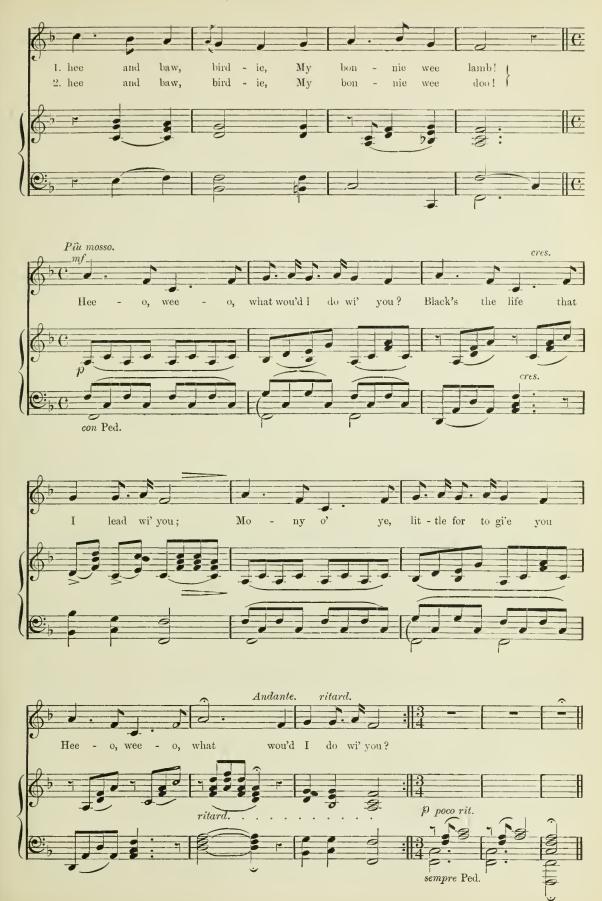


## O, can ye sew cushions?\*

A NURSE'S LULLABY.



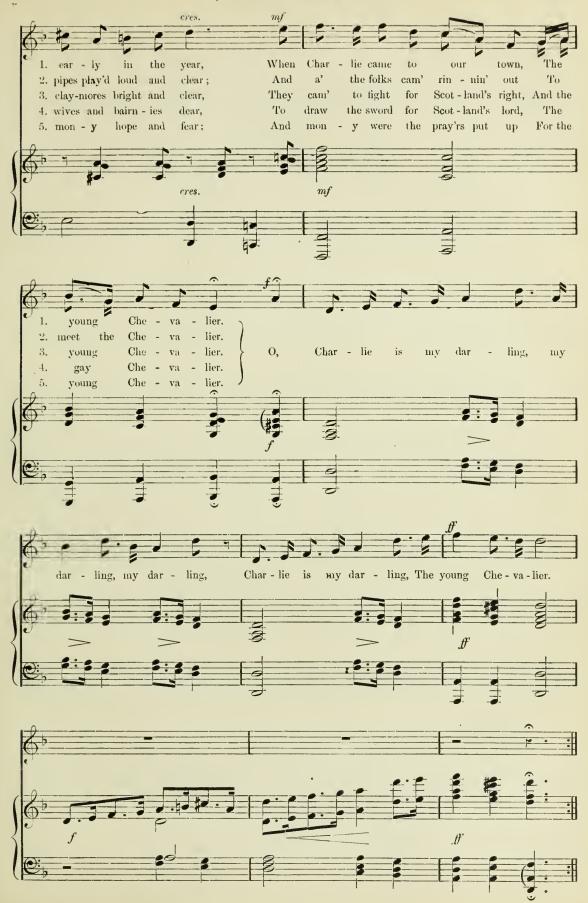
\* This old traditional nursery song appears in Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, vol. v., No. 444. It was communicated to the publisher of that work by Burns. The second verse is given by Stenhouse in the Museum Illustrations, p. 394.



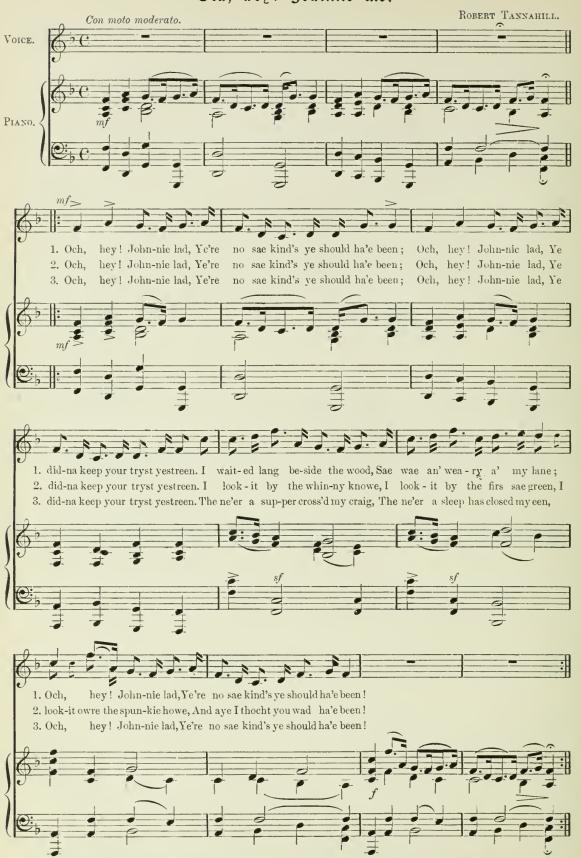
### O, Charlie is my darling.



\* George F. Graham, in The Songs of Scotland (Messrs. Wood & Co., Glasgow), remarks that it has been the fate of this air to undergo several odd transformations. He considers that its present state (1850) may be due to some popular singer within the last forty years. Certainly, the air differs considerably from the one given in Johnson's Museum No. 428, and which was communicated to the Editor by Burns. Stenhouse says (Illustrations, p. 380) that "the Museum tune was 'modernized' by Mr. Clarke, and that the genuine version is the one given by Hogg in the Jacobite Relie's, Ser. II., p. 92." The first verse and the chorus of "Charlie is my darling" seem to be old. They are included in the Museum song, but the four verses which follow differ entirely from Lady Nairne's spirited composition.



### Och, bey! 30bnnie lad.

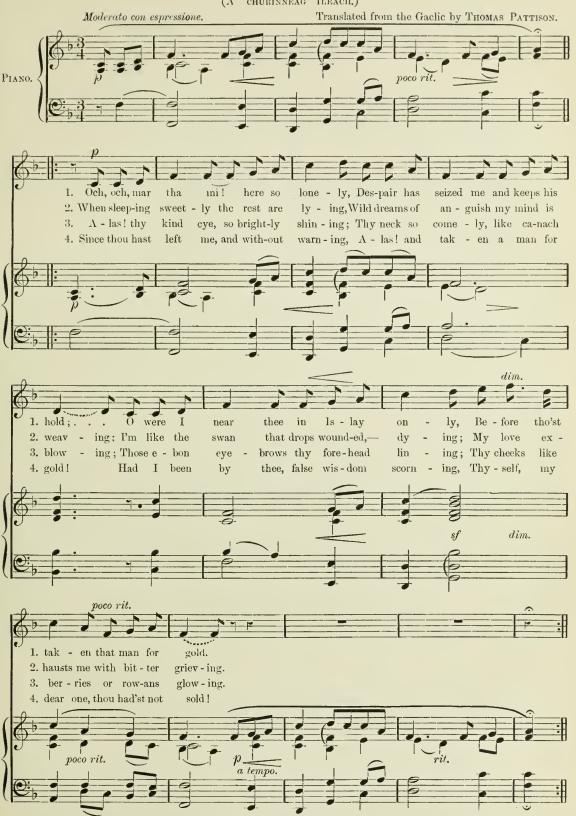


\* This tune is found in Bremner's Collection of Reels or Country Dances, 1764, under the name of "The lasses o' the Ferry," and in Rutherford's Country Dances, vol. i. (issued in parts from c. 1749 to 1756), as "The Ale Wife & her Barrel." The old version of the song on which Tannahill's verses are based, is preserved in Herd's Collection, vol. ii., 1776.

### Och, och, mar tha mi!

THE ISLAY MAIDEN.\*

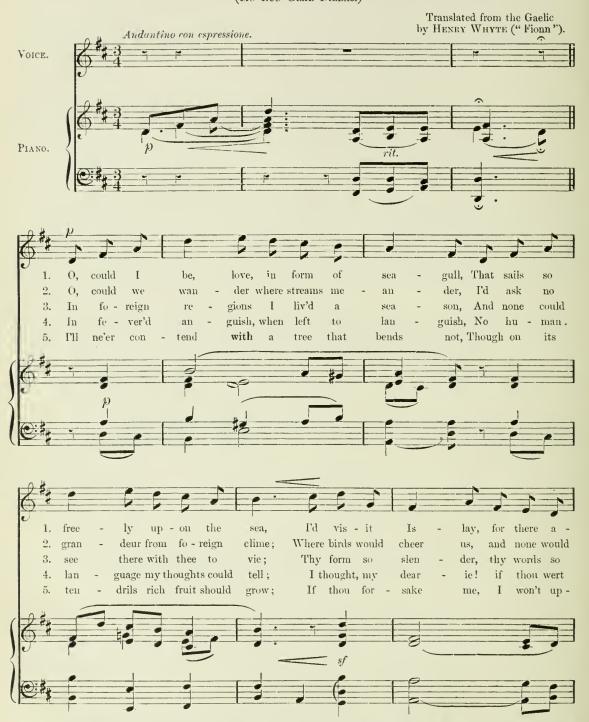
(A' CHURINNEAG ILEACH.)



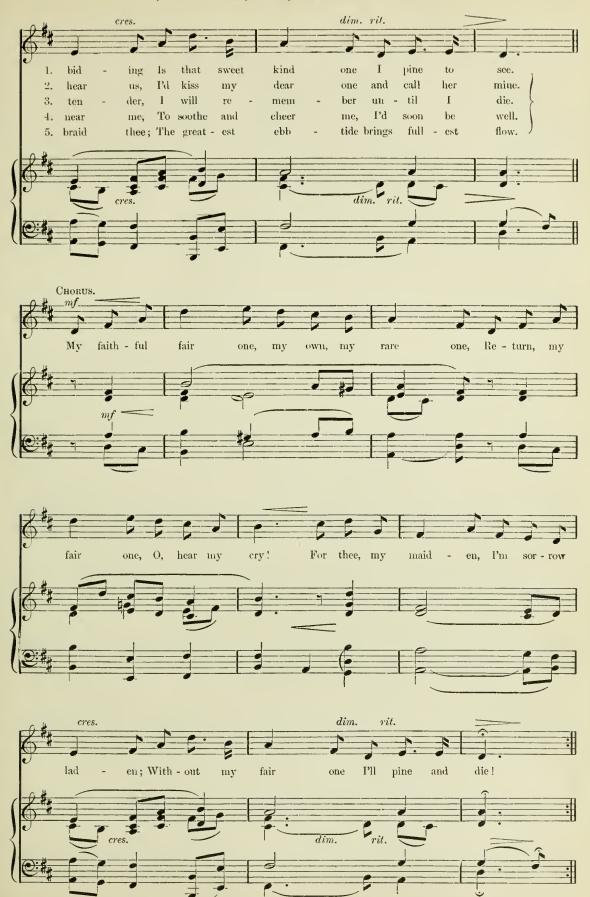
\* From the Cettic Lyre, by permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte ("Fionn"). The Gaelic words and music of "The Islay Maiden" are ancient, and belong to Islay. The song was translated by the late Thomas Pattison, a gifted son of Islay, and appears in his interesting work, "Gaelic Bards." Mr. Pattison died when his work was passing through the press, 1866.

#### O, could 3 be. love, in form of sea=gull.

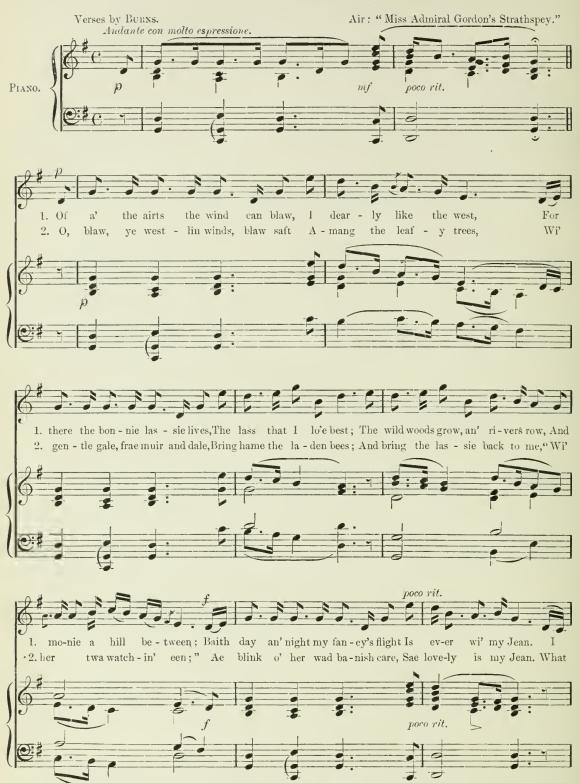
MY FAITHFUL FAIR ONE.\*
(Mo Run Geal Dileas.)



\* From The Celtic Lyre, by kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte. Regarding this song Mr. Whyte sends us the following note: "This very popular lyric is said to have been written by Young MacLean, of Torlosk, Mull, Argyleshire, who as a tacksman visited Islay some time last century, where he was captivated by the charms of Isabel of Balinaby. He sought her hand, and she declining to give him a definite answer at the time, he gave way to melancholy, and was advised by his friends to go abroad, which he did. He refers to this circumstance in the song. Returning after an absence of nine months, he again sought the hand of the fair Isabel, but her parents prevented her accepting him. The refusal preyed so much upon him that his mind gave way, and he had to be confined in an asylum. While so confined he wrote Mo run geal dileas (My faithful fair one), and several other poems. Young MacLean died a raving lunatic."



#### Of a' the airts the wind can blaw.\*

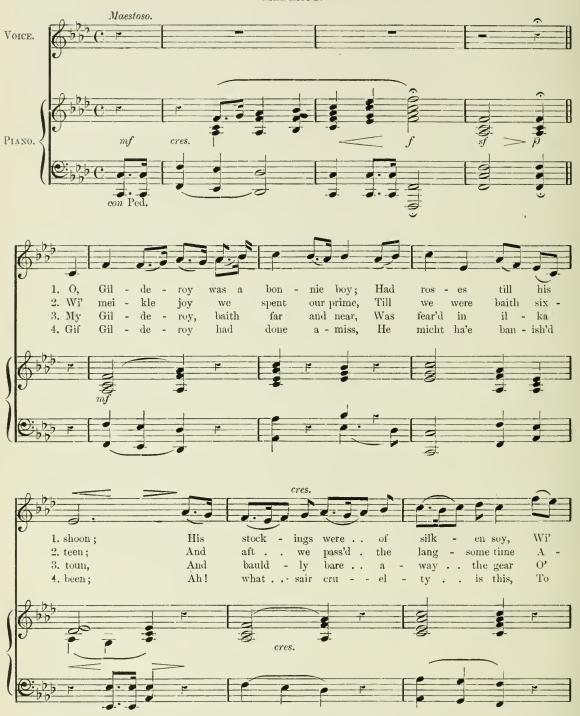


\* This tune is a transformation of "The lowlands o' Holland," by William Marshall, butler to the Duke of Gordon, about the middle of last century. He called it "Miss Admiral Gordon's Strathspey," and to it, in 1788, Burns wrote the above charming song. The "Jean" referred to was Mrs. Burns. William Marshall was born at Fochabers, Banfishire, in 1748. He seems to have possessed great musical ability, and to have employed much of his leisure time to the composition of Scottish airs and dance times. "The correctness of Marshall's ear was mulvalled, and his style of playing strathspeys and reels lively and inspiring, while his fine taste and peculiarly touching manner of executing the slow and more plaintive Scottish airs and melodies, delighted all who heard him." Marshall died in 1833, aged eighty-five. In 1781 Neil Stewart printed A Collection of Strathspey Reels, composed by Marshall, and in 1822 a collection of his Airs and Melodies was published by subscription. This volume contains 176 tunes, and was followed by a supplement of about 74 additional tunes.

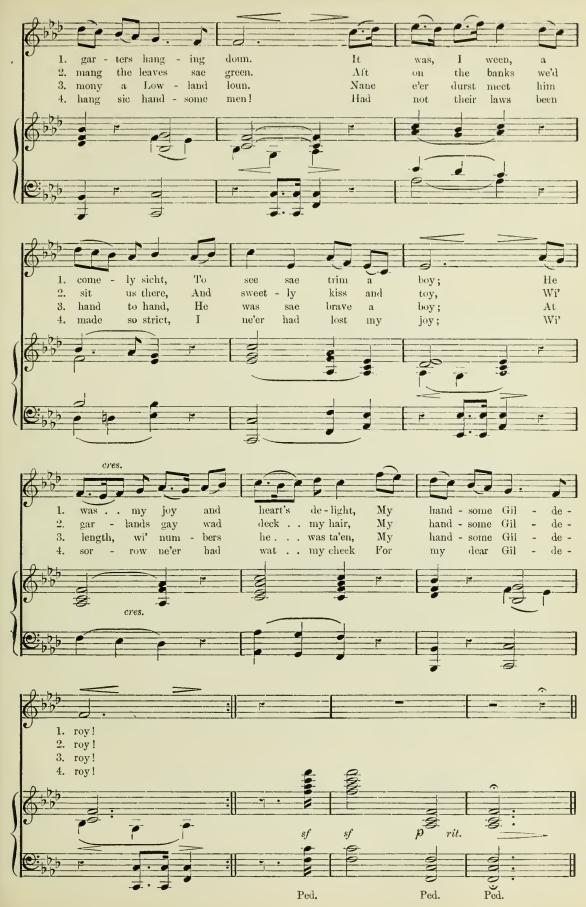


## O, Gilderoy was a bonnie boy.

GILDEROY.\*



\* Gilderoy, or Gilruadh, The Red-haired man, a member of the Clan Gregor, was the leader of a band of desperate robbers who infested the Highlands of Perthshire about the beginning of the 17th century. He was hanged with ten of his followers at the Cross of Edinburgh in 1636. An early version of the ballad was published as a broadside about 1650, and again later on in a work entitled, Westminster Drollery; or, a Choice Collection of the Newest Songs and Poems, both at Court and Theatres, by a Person of Quality. London, 1671. D'Urfey prints ten verses of the ballad in his Pills to Purge Melancholy, 1719 (vol. v., p. 38) as "Gilderoy's Last Farewell. To a New Tune." The modern version is attributed to Lady Wardlaw, who died in 1727. The air is probably as old as the ballad. It appears in the second edition of Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1733, vol. ii., p. 106.



#### O! gin 3 were where Gadie rins.\*

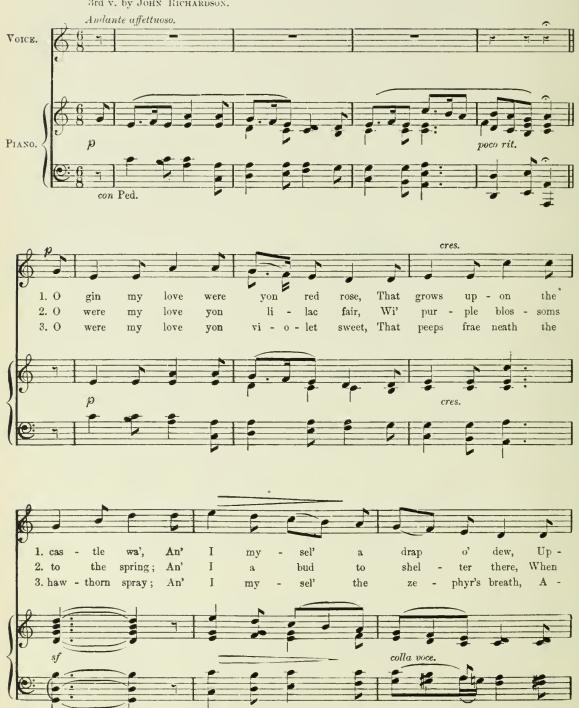


\* This melody comes from Aberdeenshire, and the first four lines of the song belong to the original verses. John Imlah was born in Aberdeen in 1799. He died in Jamaica in 1846. The Gadie is a river in Aberdeenshire.



# O gin my love were you red rose.

1st v. Traditional. 2nd v. by Burns. 3rd v. by John Richardson.



\* This air, set to Anderson's poem, "Gently blow, ye Eastern breezes," is in the Scots' Museum, vol. vi., 1803. The first verse of the song is old and is preserved in Herd's Collection, vol. ii., 1776.



### O, heard ye you pibroch sound.

GLENARA.\*

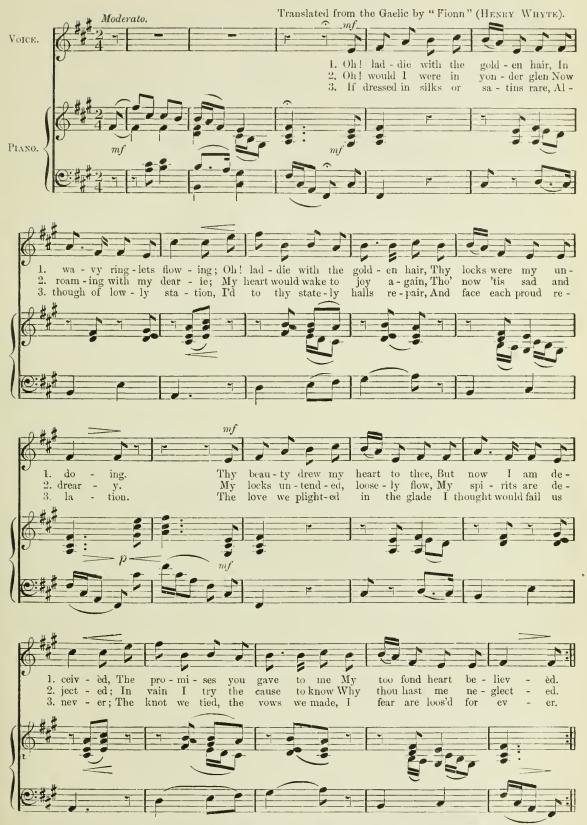


\* A version of this melody is found in Thomson's Collection. In 1822 Thomson obtained permission from Thomas Campbell to publish the ballad.

### Oh! laddie with the golden bair.

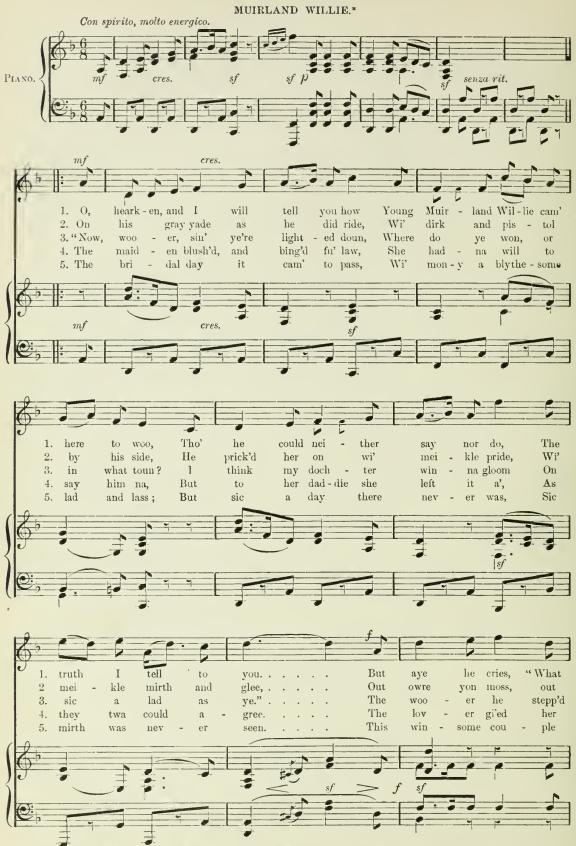
#### LADDIE WITH THE GOLDEN HAIR.\*

(OIGFHEAR A CHÙIL-DUALAICH.)

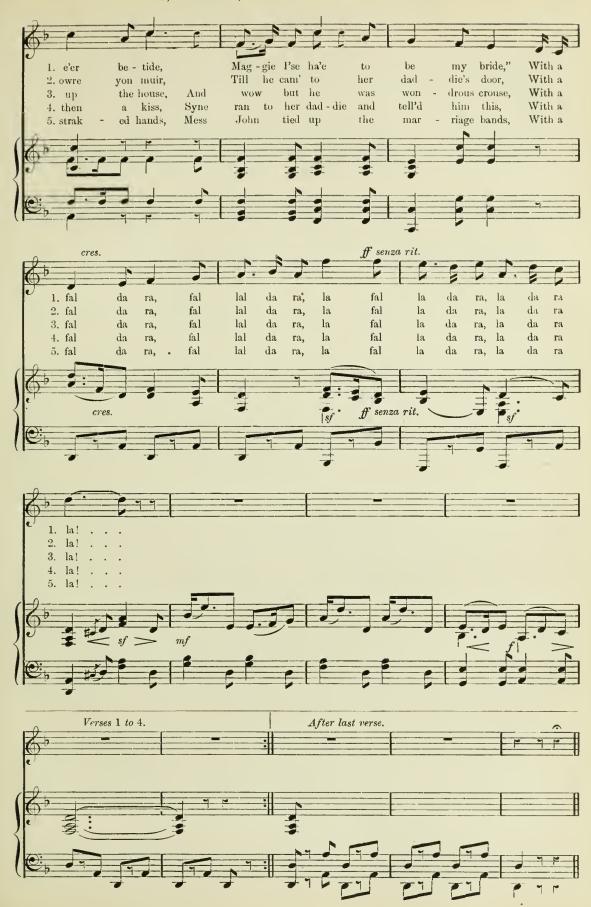


<sup>\*</sup> From the Celtic Lyre, by kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte, Glasgow. This song owes its preservation to its own intrinsic merits, and its sweet but simple melody. The name of the author has never been disclosed, but it has been popular on the West Coast for at least the best portion of a century. The air seems to be a version of the Gaelic melody "Fal il o ro, fal il o." See p. 50.

### O, bearken, and 3 will tell you how.



• The complete ballad of thirteen verses was published in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724; it is there marked "Z," to denote that the Editor considered it to be of great antiquity. In Apollo's Banquet, London, 1669, and in Walsh's Twenty-four Country Dances for 1713, there is a tune called "Lord Frog," which seems to be an early version of "Muirland Willie." In 1725, Thomson printed the ballad and air in the Orpheus Caledonius; the air is also to be found in Musick for Allan Ramsay's Collection, Edin., 1726.

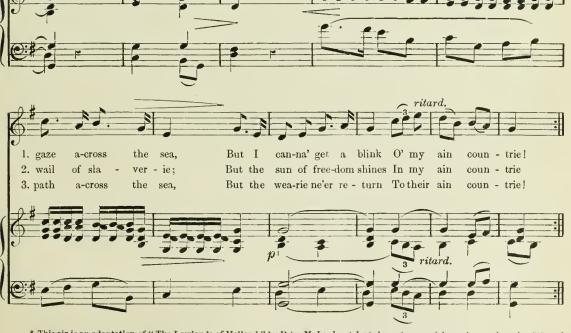


#### Oh! rowan tree, oh! rowan tree.



<sup>\*</sup> Lady Carolina Nairne was born at the house of Gask, Perthshire, in 1766. She was the daughter of Lawrence Oliphant, of Gask, a staunch Jacobite, who had followed Prince Charlie through the '45, and always spoke of King George as the Elector of Hanover. In 1806 she married Captain N. W. Nairne, a second cousin, and a son of one of the young Chevalier's adherents. He became Lord Nairne in 1824, and died in 1830. Lady Nairne survived him till 1845, when she died in her seventy-ninth year. No one was more shy of a literary reputation than Lady Nairne. Her best songs were contributed to R. A. Smith's Scottish Minetrel, 1822, under the nom de plume of B. B.—"Mrs. Bogan of Bogan," and so close did she guard her secret, that not even the Editor of that work was aware of the name and position of his contributor. For years her songs were introduced into collections of Scottish songs without any mention of the author's name. This, however, is now changed, and Lady Nairne has taken her place as a song writer beside Burns, Hogg, and Tannahill.

#### 153 Ob! wby left 3 my bame?\* Verses by R. GILFILLAN. Andante con espressione. cres. Why my hame? cross the deep? Oh! why did why left I the Oh! here no Sab - bath bell A - wakes the Sab - bath morn, Nosong of rea - pers 3. There's a hope for ev - 'ry woe, And a balm for ev - 'ry pain, But the first joys of our sempre Ped. fore - fa-thers sleep? 1. land Where my sigh for Sco tia's shore. And mang the yel-low corn; For the ty - rant's voice is here, And the nev - er back a - gain. There's a track 3. heart Come the deep, And



\* This air is an adaptation of "The Lowlands of Holland," by Peter McLeod, a talented amateur musician, who was born in 1797, and died nea: Edinburgh in 1859. McLeod published three collections of "Original Melodies," which show a decided ability for musical composition. The above air and verses occur in a collection issued in 1838.

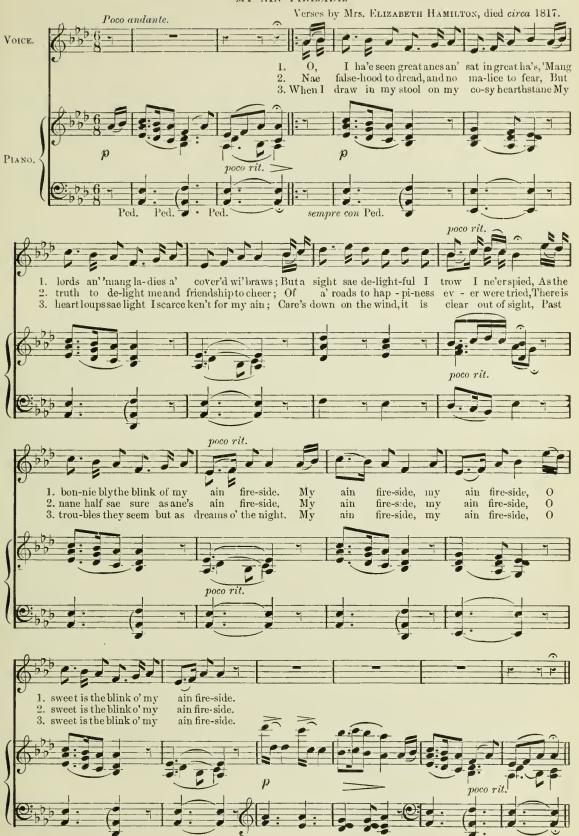




\* Both Stenhouse and Graham err in stating that this song, with its melody, was first published by Napier in his Selection of Scots' Songs, the first volume of which was issued in Feb. 1790. The song and air are given in The Musical Miscellany, Perth, J. Brown, 1786, and again in the second edition of the same work, published by Elliot & Kay, London, in April, 1788, under the title of Calliope; or, The Musical Miscellany. In his Select Melodies of Scotland, George Thomson has marked the air with "A," to denote that he considered it to be of "remote antiquity." It was for this last mentioned work that Burns wrote his song beginning, "Farewell, thou stream, that winding flows," to the tune of "Twine weel the plaiden." Oswald has a tune in his collection with the title "The Lassie lost her silken snood," but it is entirely different from the one given above.

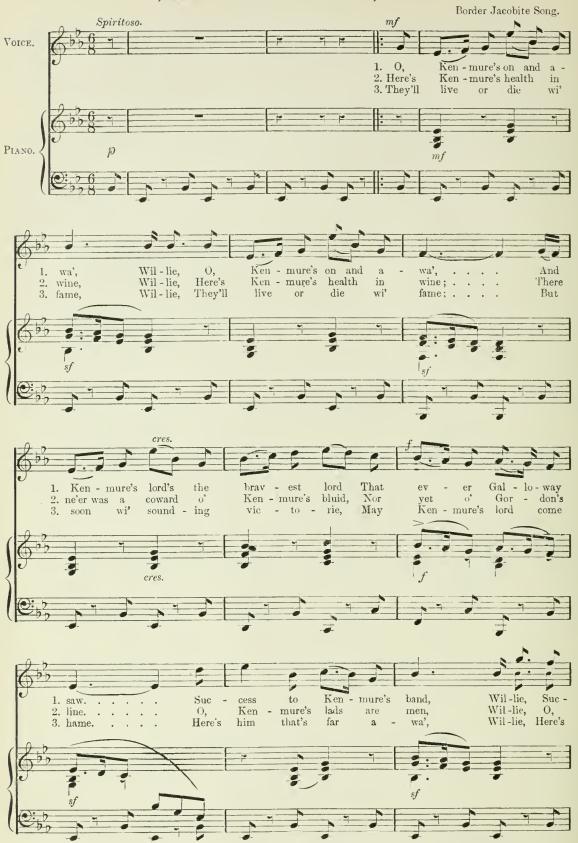
#### O, 3 ba'e seen great ancs.

MY AIN FIRESIDE.\*

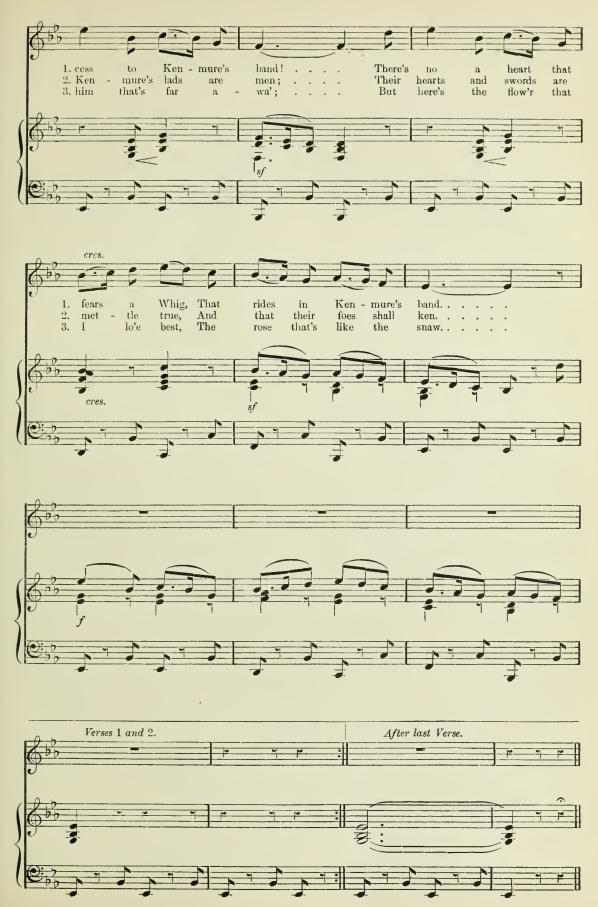


\* These verses are from Cromek's Remains of Nithsdale and Galloway Song, 1810, p. 46. The air is very old, and several versions of it exist under different names. The above version occurs in the third volume of Johnson's Museum, set to the old song, "Todlen Hame," the preservation of which we owe to Allan Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany. But the real old air known as "Todlen Hame," or rather "Todlen butt and todlen ben," published in the second edition of the Orpheus Caledonius, 1733, vol. ii., p. 94, has no connection with the melody adopted by Johnson, and which we give here with Mrs. Hamilton's beautiful verses.

#### O, Kenmure's on and awa', Millie.



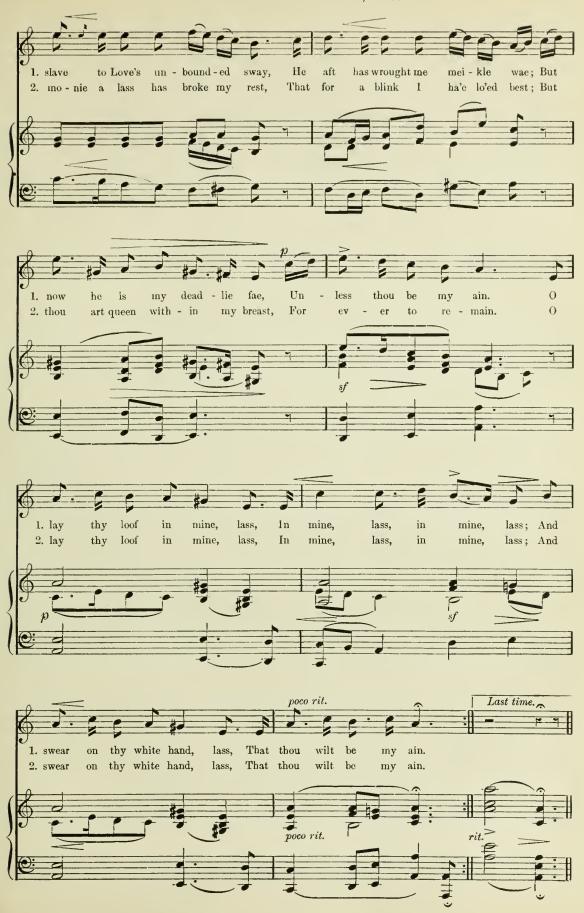
\* Burns sent this popular ballad and air to Johnson for his Scott Museum. It is included in Cromek's Remains of Nithsdale and Galloway Song, 1810, and in Hogg's Jacobite Relics, Ser. II., 1821, with additional verses which are evidently spurious. William Gordon, Viscount of Kenmure, joined the Rebels in 1715. He was captured at Preston by the English army, and after being disgracefully treated, was beheaded in 1715.



### D lay thy loof in mine, lass.\*



<sup>\*</sup> Burns wrote these verses for Johnson's Scots' Museum in 1794. It is adapted to the old tune "The Cordwainer's March," which, in former times, was usually played before that ancient fraternity, at their annual procession on St. Crispin's Day. The tune is preserved in the second volume of Aird's Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, 1782.





\* Mr. Patrick Buchan's note to this song is the following: "This inimitable song belongs to the 'North Countrie.' The Author was George Halket, Schoolmaster, for some time, at Rathen, and the author of 'Whirry Whigs awa', man,' with several other esteemed Jacobite songs. He was a Jacobite out and out, so much so, that when the Duke of Comberland was in the North, he offered a reward of one hundred guineas for his head, either dead or alive—so much offence had the effusions of his muse given to the then reigning powers. The hero of the piece was James Robertson, gardener at Logie, parish of Crimond, Aberdeenshire."—(Garland of Scotia, 1841.) The tune is a transformation of "The Tailor's March" in Aird's Selection, vol. ii., 1782, better known as "The tailor fell thro' the bed, thimble and a'.

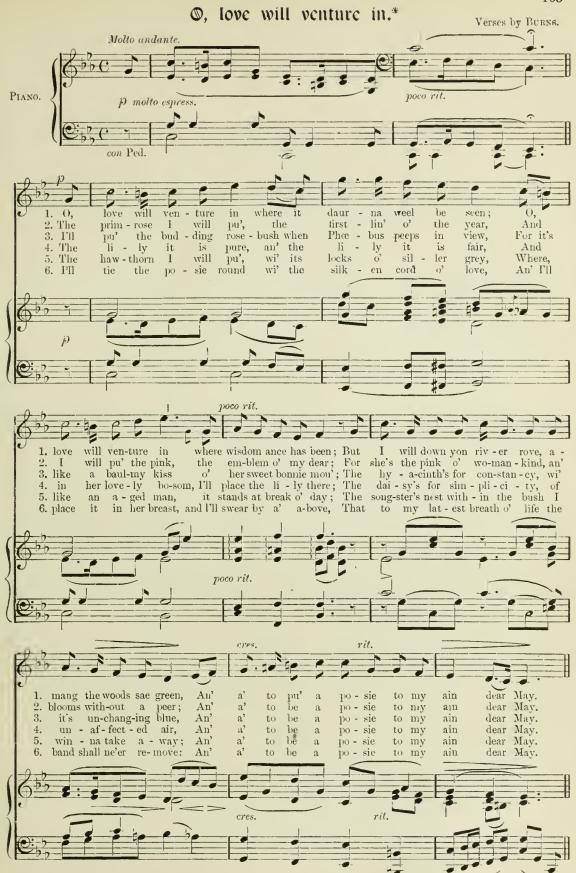


#### O Lord, 3 sing Thy praises.

#### HYMN OF PRAISE.\*

(LAOIDH MOLAIDH.)



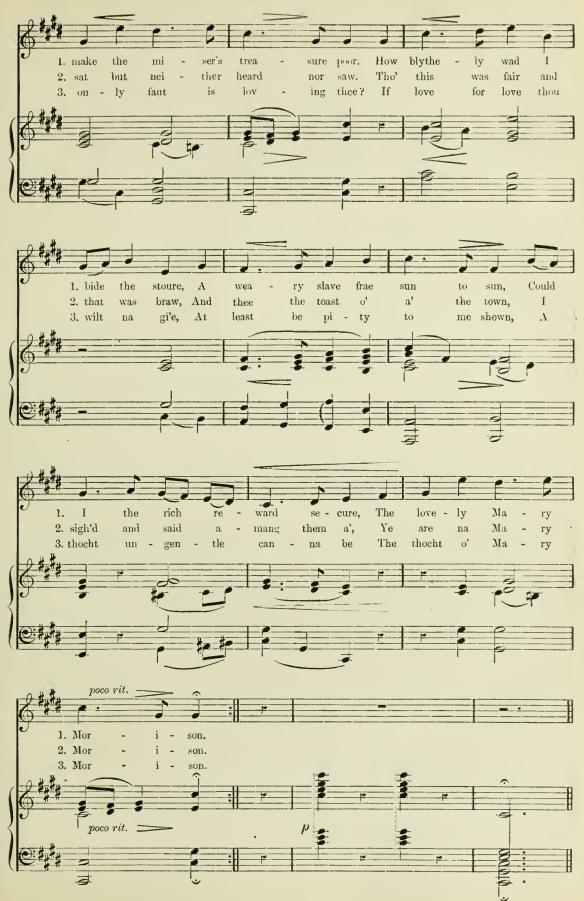


\* The verses were composed by Burns in 1792. In a letter to George Thomson, Oct. 19, 1794, the Poet says, "The air was taken down from Mrs. Burns' voice. It is well known in the West country, but the old words are trash." The old verses are published in Cromek's Reliques of Robert Burns, 1808.

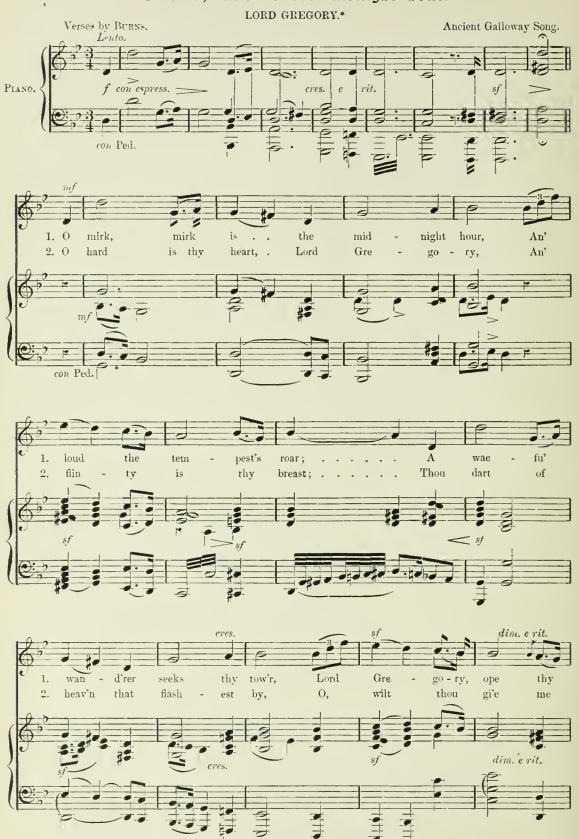
### O, Mary, at thy window be.



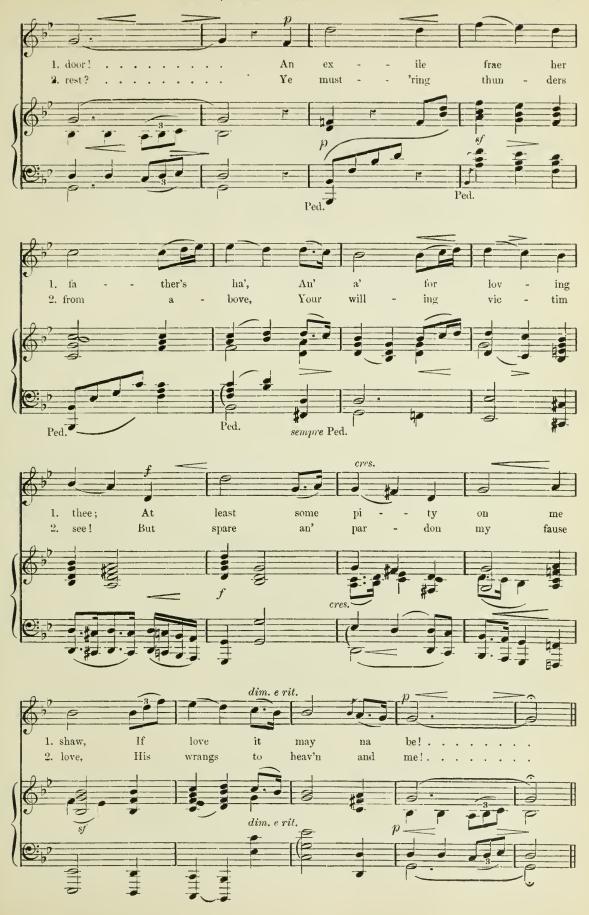
\* Burns wrote this little poem in 1782 to the tune "Bide ye yet." This setting has, however, been entirely superseded by "The Miller," a tune infinitely more suited to the verses. The air with the old verses, "Merry may the maid be that marries the miller," is in Johnson's Scots' Museum, vol. ii., 1788.



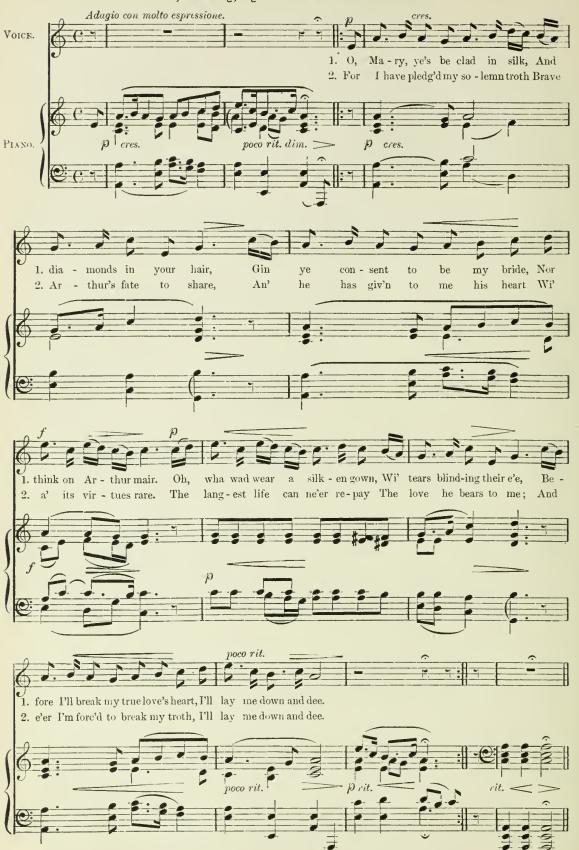
### o mirk, mirk is the midnight hour.



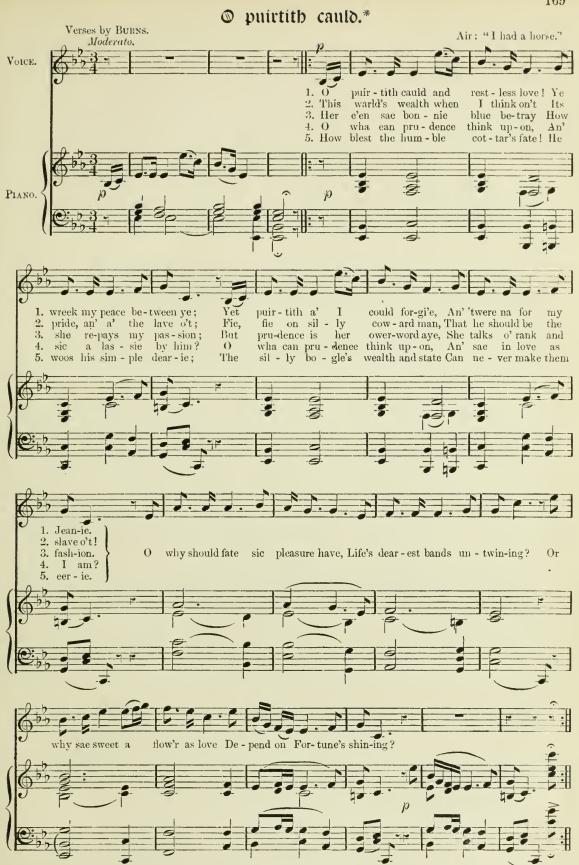
\* Burns wrote this poem in 1793, and sent it to George Thomson for his Collection of Original Scottish Airs, vol. i., p. 38. The subject is founded on an old traditionary ballad called "The Lass o' Lochroyan." The air was first published in Pietro Urbani's Selection of Scots Songs, commenced circa 1792.



## O, Mary, ye's be clad in silk.\*

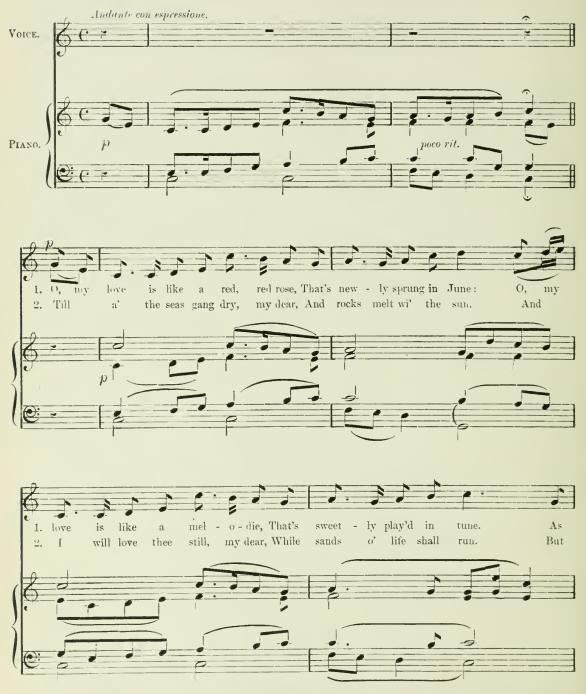


\* From Urbani's Selection of Scots Songs, circa 1792. These verses are a slightly altered version of the old song, "The Siller Crown." The air was composed by Miss Grace Corbett, of Edinburgh, when she was only eleven years old. Both the words and melody were copied into Johnson's Museum, vol. vi., song 585.

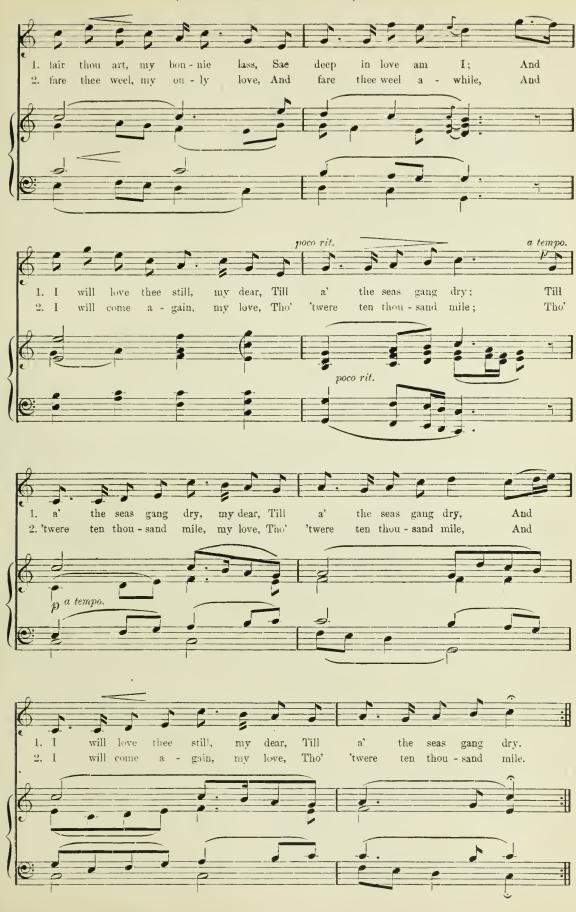


\* The old comic verses, "I had a horse, and I had nae mair," appear in Herd's Scots Songs, vol. ii., 1776, under the title of "The Surprise." The air was published for the first time in Johnson's Museum, vol. ii. It is evidently the original time to the song. Burns wrote his poem "O puirtith cauld" in 1793, for Thomson's Collection, where it appears, vol. i. p. 47. In a note to the song, Thomson remarks that "the heroine of this song was Miss Jean Blackstock."

## O, my love is like a red, red rose.\*



\* This is an old song, altered and extended for The Scots' Museum by Burns. Johnson gives two airs, neither of which is now sung to Burns' verses: the one invariably used is the one adopted here. It is a modern version of an old tune published by Oswald, in his caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. VII., c. 1754, as "Low down in the Broom." The same air, set to the song "My Daddy is a canker'd carle," is in Bremner's Thirty Scots Songs, Bk. I., 1757.



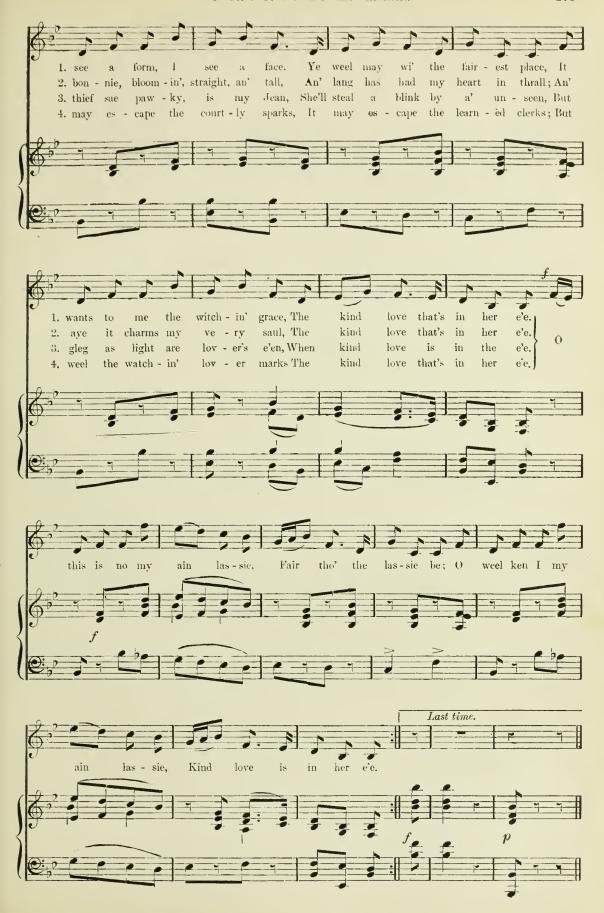
### this is no my ain lassic.\*

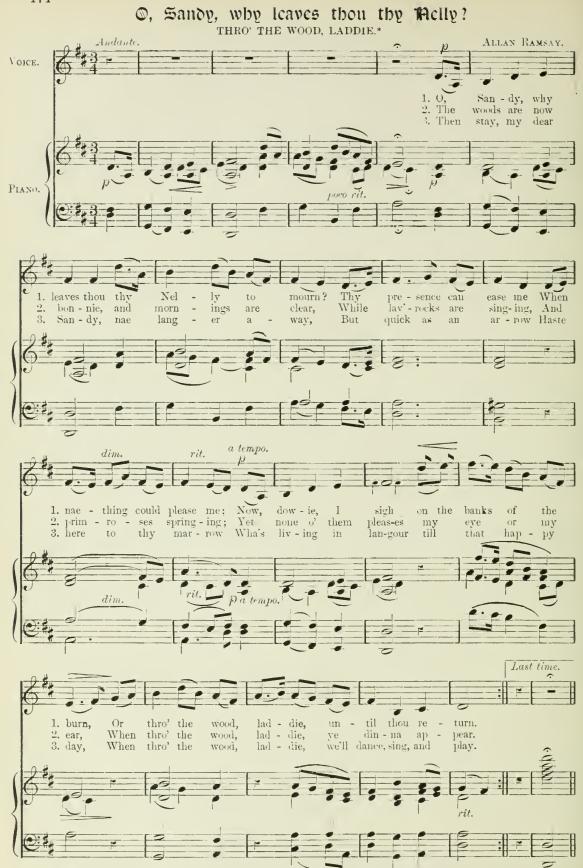


<sup>\*</sup> The old song of \* This is no my ain house" was written by Ramsay prior to 1724. It is based upon a much older song beginning:-

The air is in vol. ii. of Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1733, and in Walsh's British Musical Miscellany, vol. 4., c. 1734. In the ballad opera, Momus Turn'd Fabulist, 1729, there is an air entitled "The Highland Dance," which seems to be an early version of "This is no my ain House." In the Museum Illustrations, Stephouse gives the tune as it appears in the Crockat MS. Music Book, 1709. Burns wrote "O, this is no my ain lassie," in July, 1795, for Geo. Thomson's Folio Collection, vol. ii.

O this is no my ain house,
My ain house, my ain house;
O this is no my ain house,
I ken by the biggin o't.
For bread and cheese are my door cheeks, etc.





\* This air occurs in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, to verses by Ramsay, beginning, "As early I walk'd on the first of sweet May"; McGibbon also included it in vol. ii. of his Collection of Scots Tunes, 1746. The song given above is published in the Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724. Ir. Blacklock supplied Johnson with what he considered to be the original verses to "Thro' the wood, Laddie;" they are given in vol. ii. of the Museum, Song 154.

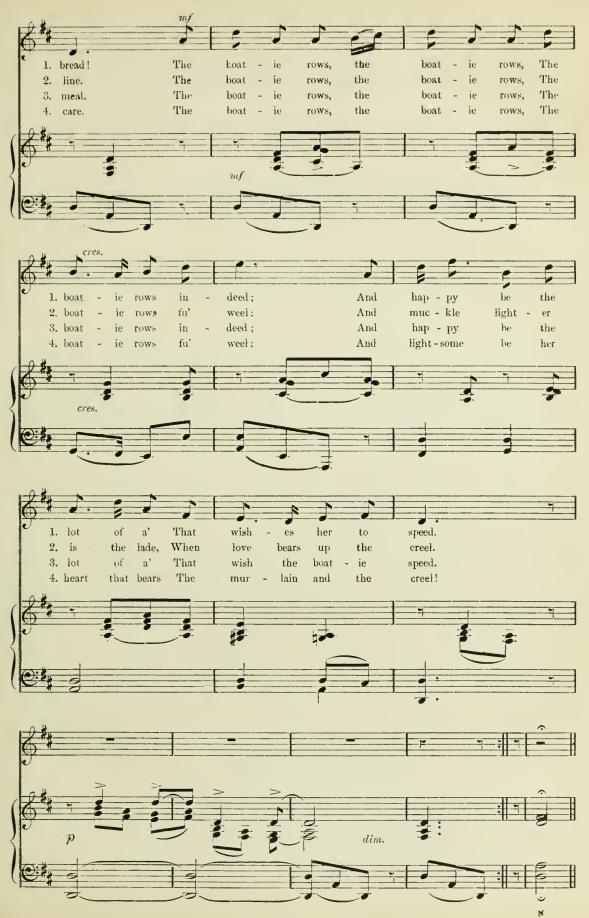


\* This air is undoubtedly very ancient; Thomson has printed it in the first edition of the Orpheus Caledonius, issued in 1725. The entire ballad is given in the Tea-Table Miscellany, pt. ii. The song, "Adieu! adieu! all hope of bliss," in Gay's Opera Polly, 1723, is marked to be sung to the air "O waly, waly, np the bank." In Johnson's Museum Illustrations, p. 147, Stenliouse gives some interesting information regarding the age of the old verses. He concludes by saying, "There can be no doubt that this song is at least coeval with the reign of Mary, Queen of Scots, if not earlier." A curious version of both words and air is to be found in Christie's Traditional Ballad Airs, 1871, vol. ii., p. 158, under the title of "The Marchioness of Douglas."

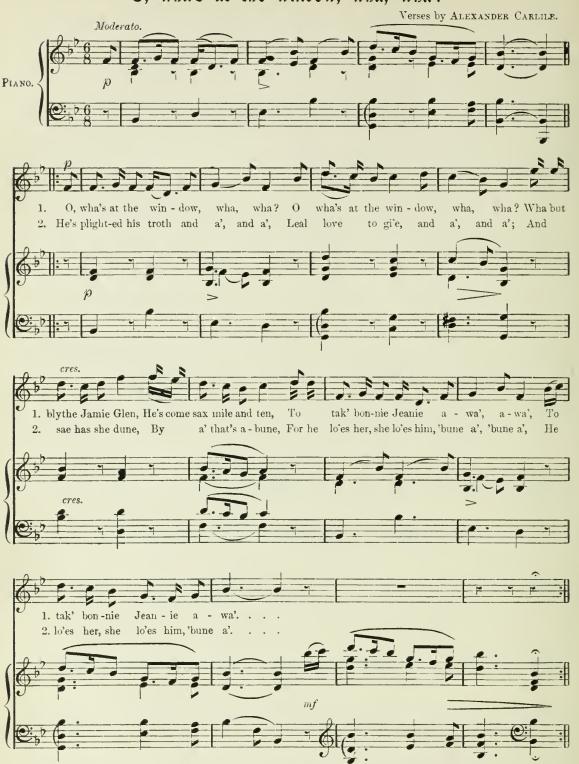
# o weel may the boatie row.\*



\* Robert Burns stated that "the author of this song, beginning 'O weel may the boatic row,' was a Mr. Ewen, of Aberdeen." It appears in Johnson's Scots' Musical Museum, vol. v., published about 1796. Since then, in almost all collections, the poem has been attributed to Mr. John Ewen, who was born in 1741, and died in 1821. In Mitchison's Garland of Scotia, 1841, we find the following note by Patrick Buchan: "This song has been erroneously ascribed to a Mr. Ewen, of Aberdeen, by many who should have known better; it was written at least a hundred years before honest John drew breath, and was called 'The Fisher's Rant of Fittle' (Foot Dea). The old song, or rather ballad, contains twice the number of verses as the present one, which was abridged by the late Mr. John Ewen, jeweller, for the purpose of being sung by a Mr. Wilson in the theatre of Aberdeen, where it became so popular, as to be published by James Chalmers in one of the Aberdeen papers."



### O, wha's at the window, wha, wha?\*



<sup>\*</sup> This air is the composition of R. A. Smith, who was born at Reading in 1780. In 1823 he obtained the leadership of the psalmody at St. George's Church, Edinhurgh. From 1820 to 1824 he published The Scottish Minstrel (6 vols.), a work containing several hundreds of the best Scottish songs. He died in 1829. In a letter to George Farquhar Graham, Carlile explains that the song, "O wha's at the window, wha, wha?" is modern, and written by himself, with the exception of the first line. This line belongs to am old nursery song, which Carlile remembered hearing his mother sing during his childhood. (See Wood's Songs of Scotland.) Alian Cunningham picked up Carliles verses as a genuine antique, and published them in his notes to his Scottish Songs. The following is the first verse of a song printed in a work entitled Anc Compendious Ruik of Goddie Psalmes and Spirituall Sangis. This volume is said to have been principally the work of three brothers, James, John, and Robert Wedderburn, of Dundee, who flourished about the middle of the sixteenth century. Unfortunately, very little is known of their lives, except the fact that they were staunch supporters of the Reformation.

O vho is at my windo'? only, only?

O vho is at my windo'? quho, quho? Go from my windo, go, go! Quho callis thair so lyke a strangair, Go from my windo, go, go!

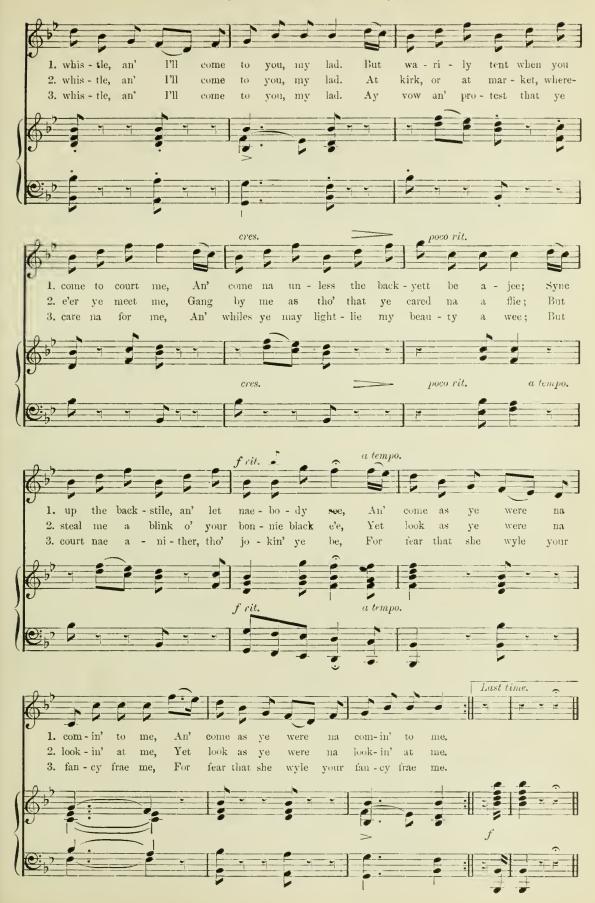


# O whistle, an' 3'll come to you, my lad.\*



\* Burns wrote these verses for George Thomson's Collection of Original Scottish Airs; they appear in vol. ii., p 94, issued in 1799. According to Stenhouse, the air was composed by John Bruce, a fiddle-player in Dumfries, about the beginning of last century. Shield introduced it in his comic opera, The Poor Soldier, produced at Covent Garden, 1783. The character, "Kathlean," sings verses to it commencing:—

"Since love is the plan I'll love if I can. But first let me tell you what sort of a man."



# where, tell me where.

THE BLUE BELL OF SCOTLAND.\*



\* "The Blue Bell of Scotland, a favourite ballad as composed and sung by Mrs. Jordan at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, was entered at Stationers' Hall, on the 13th May, 1800, and the music printed by Longman" (Chappell. Popular Music of the Olden Times). This may be true, but the Editor ha an early copy of the song issued by Goulding, on which no mention is made of a composer.—"A Favourite Scotch Song as sung with unbounded applause by Mrs. Jordan." The air is also included in Thomson's Collection, 1802, and in The Songster's Favourite Companion. Glasgow, c. 1803. There are many versions of the words.

### O, Willie's fair, and Willie's rare.\*

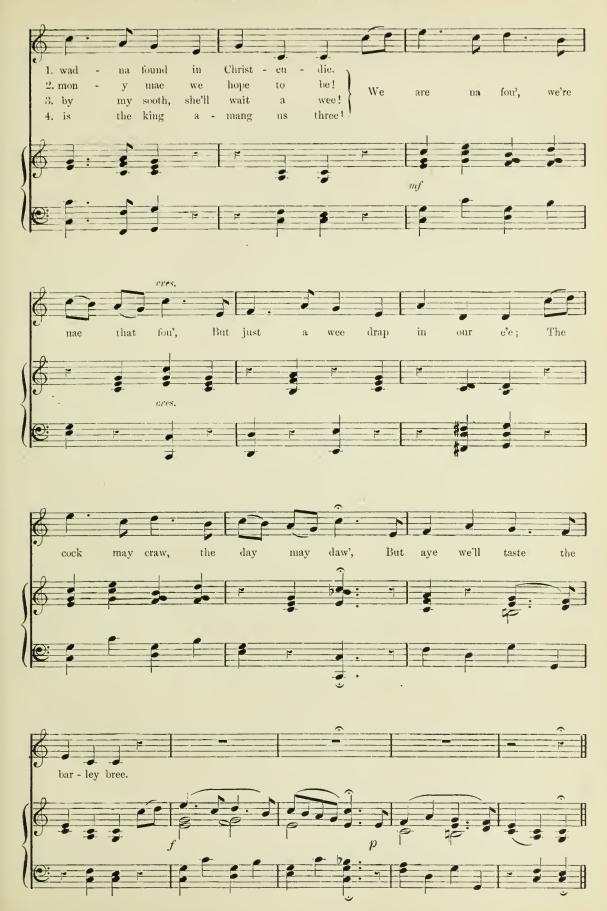


\* Verses 1, 2, 4 and 5 of this ancient ballad and its air appear in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1733, vol. ii., p. 110, and again in the Tea-Table Missellany, Bk. ii., pt iii. Verse 3 is from a version of the ballad rescued some years later.

# O, Millie brew'd a peck o' maut.\*



\* Of the origin of this song, Burns writes: "The air is Allan Masterton's, the song is mine. The occasion of it was this—Mr. William Nicol, of the High School, Edinburgh, being at Moffat during the Antumn vacation, honest Allan—who was at that time on a visit to Dalswinton—and I went to pay Nicol a visit. We had such a joyous meeting that Masterton and I agreed, each in our own way, that we should celebrate the business." Masterton's air appeared in the Scots' Museum, vol. iii., No. 291, issued 1790, but that set has been long since superseded by the one we give here. It is an improved version of Masterton's melody by some unknown hand. Masterton died about the end of last century.

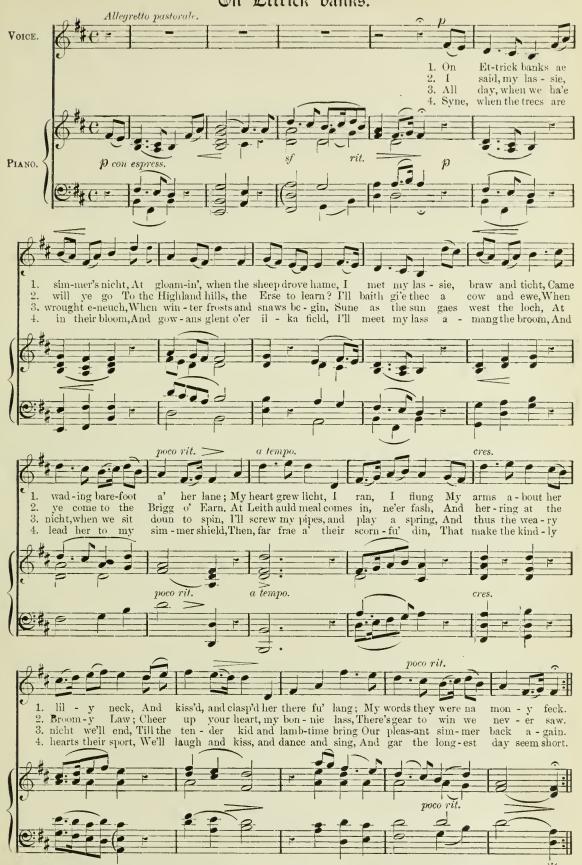


# O, Willie was a wanton wag.\*



\* These clever verses appeared in the Ton-Table Miscellany, pt. ii., circa 1725, signed with the initials "W. W." The air with the words was published in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, vol. ii., 1733. Mr. Chambers remarks of this song that "As a picture of health-enjoying youth, and high animal spirits, it is unsurpassed." The complete song is comprised of six verses. The initials in the Ton-Table Miscellany are said to denote William Walkingshaw, of Walkingshaw, in Renfrewshire, who lived about the latter end of the 17th century. In Johnson's Scots Musical Museum, "by Mr. Walkingshaw" was inserted on the authority of Burns. It appears, however, that there was no William in the lamily. David Luing considers that "W. W." means Wanton Willie, a sobriquet of Willie Hamilton, of Gilbertfield, a friend and correspondent of Allan Ramsay.

#### On Ettrick banks.\*

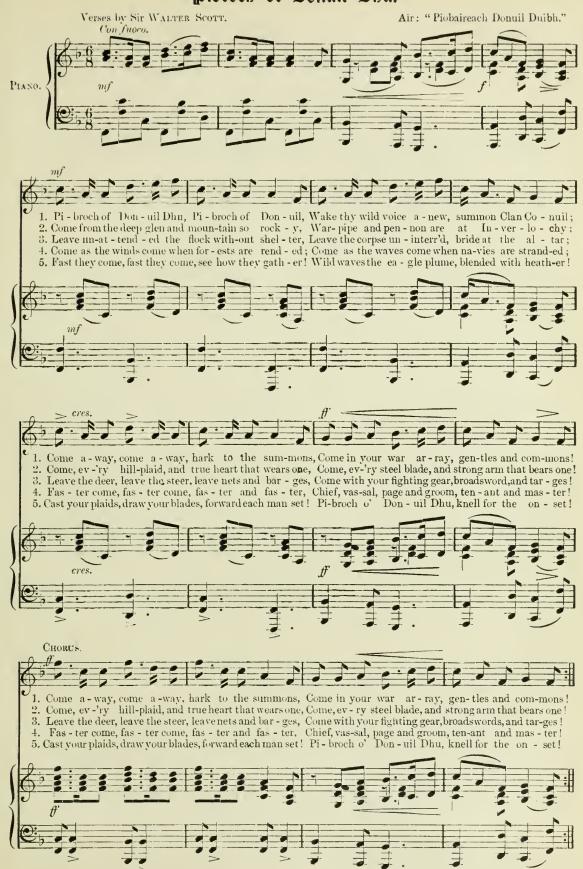


\* The first three verses of this beautiful song, with the pastoral melody, were inserted in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, vol. ii., 1733. Both probably belong to a much earlier period, although their history cannot be traced. Verse 4 is from Ramsay's version of the song, printed in the Tea-Table Miscellany, pt. iv. The Ettrick is a river in Selkirkshire; it rises in the parish of the same name and after a winding course of some thirty miles, falls into the Tweed about three miles above Melrose.

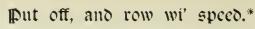


\* These verses were printed in the Tea-Table Miscellang, 1724, and, with the air, in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1733 (vol. ii., p. 28). The melody is very old, and sibbald (Chronicle of Scottish Poetry) considers it to have been the air to one of Wedderburn's Spiritual Ballads, about the year 1549. Wedderburn's work was printed in 1590 by Andro Hart, of Edinburgh, under the title of Ane Compendious Booke of Godly and Spirituall Songs, collectit out of sundrie partes of the Scripture, with sundrie of other Ballates changed out of Prophaine Sanges, etc.; another edition was published in 1621, and in 180. Sir John Graham Dalyell included the entire work in his volume of Scottish Poems of the Sixteenth Century. The air is in Musick For Allan Ramsuy's Collection, 1726, Bk. V., p. 108.

### Pibroch of Donuil Dhu.\*



\* These varses were first published in Albyn' Anthology, vol. i., p. 89. The tune appears in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. XII., p. 14, c. 1764, as "Pioberachd Mhie Dhonuil."





\* In 1567, Mary, Queen of Scots, having refused to dissolve her marriage with Bothwell, was imprisoned by the confederate Scottish nobles, in Loch Leven Castle, the property of William Douglas. There she was forced to sign a paper resigning the kingdom in favour of her infant son, James, who was crowned on the 29th of July. In the following year, Mary managed to escape, through the help of George Douglas, the younger brother of her keeper, who procured the keys of the Castle, and had a boat in readiness to row the Queen to the mainland. Mary soon raised an army, but on the 13th of May it was completely routed at Longside, and the unfortunate Queen was obliged to fly to England. The above ballad and lively air were included in The Scottish Minstrel, vol. vi., by R. A. Smith, Edinburgh, 1824.

### 1Red, red is the path to glory!

JOY OF MY HEART.\*

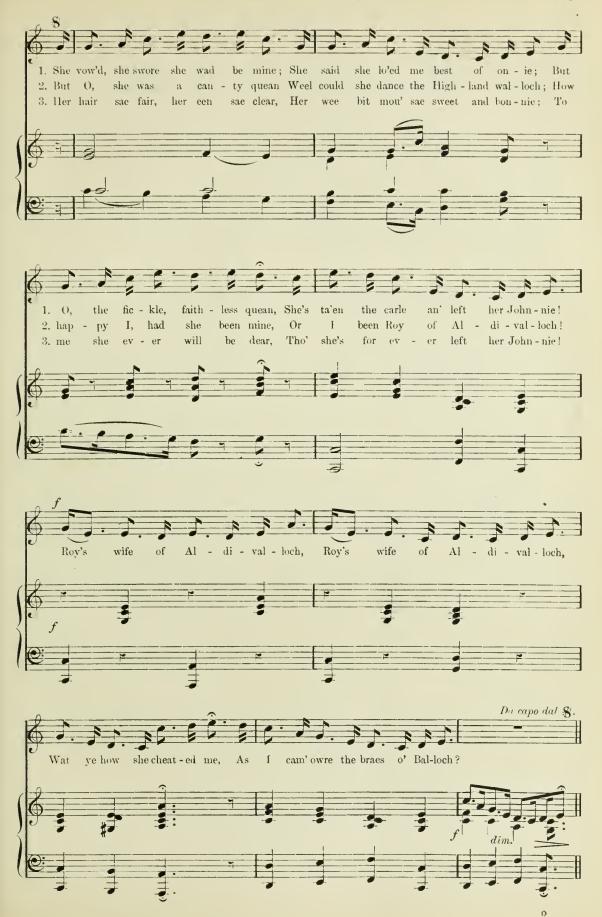


\* This song, with its melody, appears in Albyn's Anthology, vol. ii., 1818. In Smith's Scottish Minstrel we find that "Lady G. Gordon picked up this beautiful air in the Highlands. The verses were written by Dr. Couper, at her desire, on the Marquis of Huntly when in Holland." The complete poem consists of five verses. Robert Couper was born at Balsier, parish of Sorbir, Wigtonshire, in 1750. He resided some years in Virginia, America, but owing to the breaking out of the War of Independence, he returned to this country in 1776. He took his diploma as a Surgeon in the College of Glasgow, and settled in Fochabers as Physician to the Duke of Gordon in 1788. He left Fochabers in 1806, and died in Wigton in 1818. He was M.D. and F.R.S.E.

## Roy's wife of Aldivalloch.\*



\* To this tune Burns also wrote a song, beginning, "Caust thou leave me thus, my Katy," but popular taste decided in favour of Mrs. Grant's verses, which have always held their ground. The air is Highland and probably very old. It appears in Bremner's Collection of Scots Reels or Country Dances, Bk. VI., 1759, and later, in Aird's Selection of Scotch Airs (1782), under the title of "The Ruffian's Rant" Walsh also prints a good version in Twenty-Four Country Dances for the Tear 1742, as "Lady Francis Weenrys Reel."



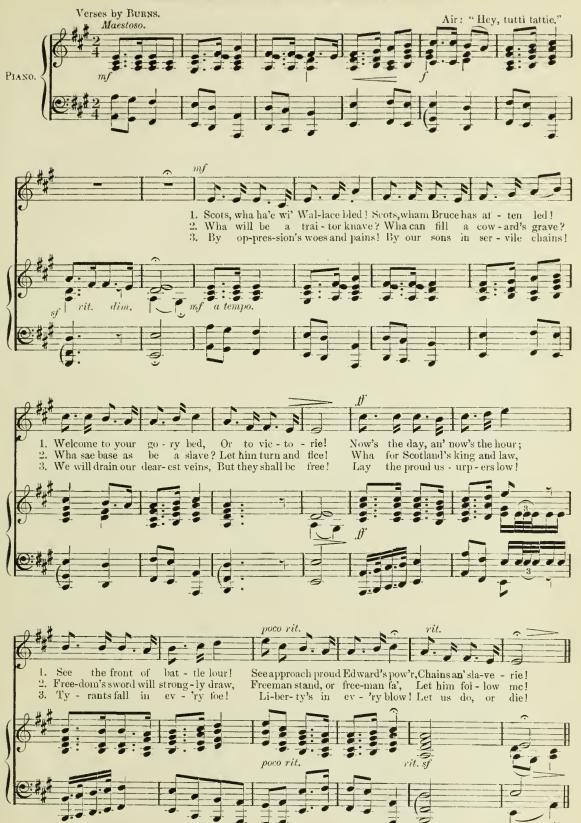
# Sad am 3, and sorrow laden.

FAREWELL!\*



\* By kind permission, from the Celtic Lyre. This is an old Hebridean air. The words were composed by a young Gael, from the Island of Jura, Argyllshire, when about to leave his native isle.

### Scots, wha ba'e wi' Wallace bled!\*



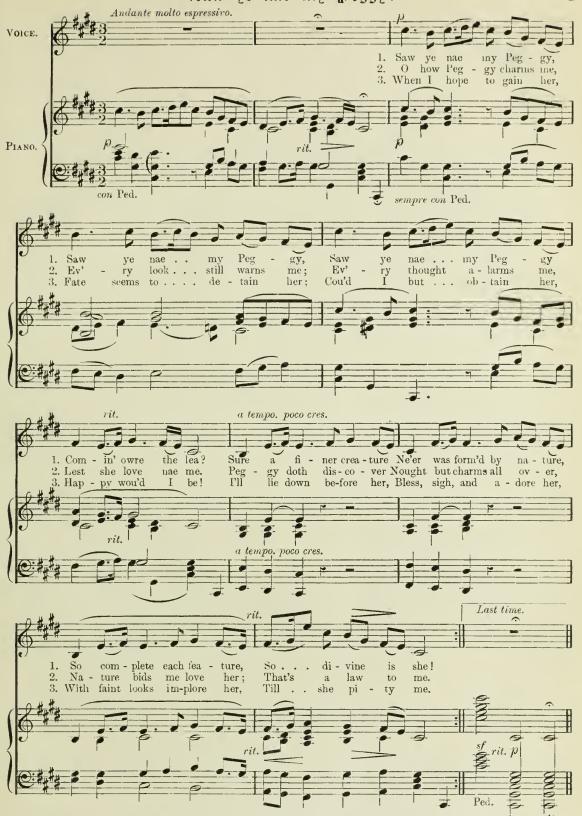
\* Burns wrote these celebrated verses on 1st August, 1793. In a letter to George Thomson, the poet writes: "There is a tradition which I have met with in many places of Scotland, that it ('Hey, tutti tatti') was Robert Bruce's march at the Battle of Bannockburn." Little importance can be attached to a tradition of this description. In the earlier part of last century the air was sung to Jacobite verses, beginning, "Here's to the King, Sirs." It was to "Hey, tutti tatti" sung slowly, that Lady Nairne wrote her beautiful song, "The Land o' the Leal." (See p. 85.) M'Gibbon prints the airin his Scots Tunes, Bk. III., 1755, as "Hey Tuti tatety"; a similar version is also preserved in Oswald's Pocket Companion, Bk. III., c. 1747.

# "Saw ye Johnnie comin'?" quo' she.\*



\* To this tune Burns wrote his beautiful poem, "Thou hast left me ever, Jamie." The old traditionary verses which we give above are from Yair's 'charmer', Edin., 1749. An early version of both air and ballad was published by Walsh in his Original Scots Tunes, c. 1740, as "Saw ye John a coming. A Scotch song." The version adopted here is from Bremner's Scots Songs, 1757. The following is from G. Farquhar Graham's appendix to Wood's Songs of Scotland, vol. i., 1852. "We are aware that this song of the olden time has long been looked upon as belonging to the humorous class, and has been sung as such by the popular singers of the day. We confess, however, that we have never viewed it in this light. Manners and customs may have changed since the time the song was written, maidens may have become more reserved, duplicity, in some cases, may ha 'e taken the place of rustic simplicity, but human nature remains the same. . . Although the composer of the fine old melody to this song might not have been fully aware of the deep pathos which he had infused into it, yet he never could have so far mistaken his own intention, as to suppose he had written a lively air. This discovery was left to singers who came after him "

Saw ye nac my Peggy?\*

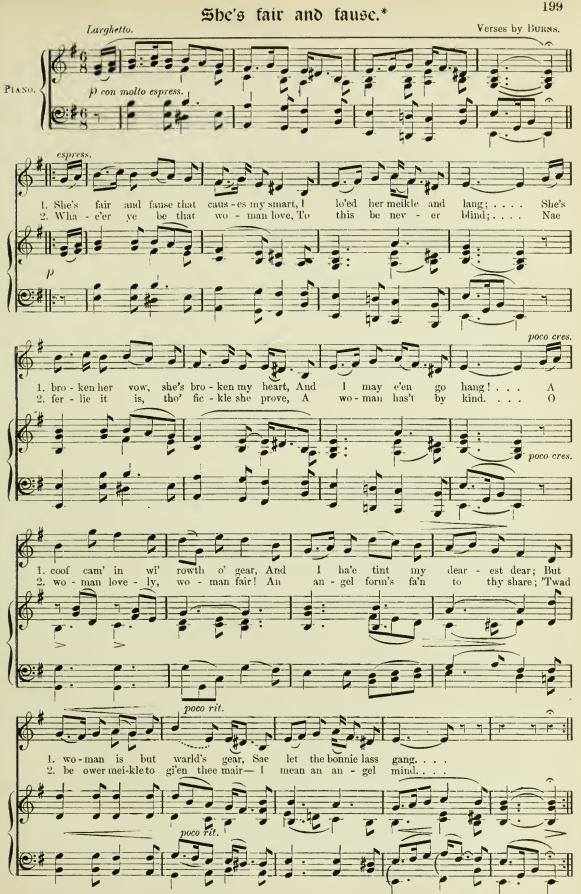


\* Ramsay wrote new words beginning, "Come, lets hae mair wine in," to this air, and published them in The Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724. Of the verses given above, Burns wrote in his hemarks on Scottish Song: "This charming song is much older and, indeed, superior to Ramsay's verses, 'The Toast,' as he calls them." They appear, however, for the first time in Herd's Ancient and Modern Scottish Songs, 1769. The air is included in the first edition of the Orpheus 'alcoholius, 1725, with Ramsay's verses, and marked "To the Tune of Saw na ye my Maggie?" Thomson's version of the melody is very poor, and he has only slightly bettered it in the second edition of his work, in 1733. M'Gibbon's version, published in his A Collection of Scots Tunes, Bk. ii., 1746, as "Saw ye my Peggy?" is decidedly better; so also is the one inserted in vol. iii. of Aird's Selection of Scots, etc., Airs, 1788. But we seem to be chiefly indebted to the Scots Museum, vol. i, 1787, for the modern and singable version of the tune "Saw ye nae my Peggy?" The air given above is almost identical with the first half of Johnson's setting.

# See afar von bill Ardmore.



\* From The Celtic Lyre, by the kind permission of the Editor, Henry Whyte ("Finn"). The Gaelic song is very old, and it is impossible to say who its author was. The translation is by the late Thomas Pattison, of Islay, who studied for the Church. He died in Glasgow in 1865, at the early age of 37.



\* This air is preserved by Oswald in his Caledonian Pocket Companion, vol. iv. It appears there and also in both Walsh's and Johnson's Caledonian Country Dances, under the title of "The Lads of Leith." Burns wrote the verses "She's fair and fause" for the fourth volume of the Scots Musical Museum, issued 1792.



"This tune, according to Stenhouse, was formerly known under the name of "I fee'd a lad at Michaelmas." It was originally an old strathspey, and may be found in Bremner's A 'collection' of Scots Reels (commenced 1757), as "The Miller's Wedding," and in Alexander McGlashan's A Collection of Strathspey Reels, with a bass for Violoncello or Harpsicherd, 1780, under the name of "The Miller's Daughter." The phrase "Auld lang syne" was known to Scotsmen long before the days of Burns. In James Watson's Collection of Scots Poems, 1711, pt. ili., we find a song of considerable dimension, the first verse of which we give. Mr. R. Chambers considers that this composition dates from the reign of Charles I.:—

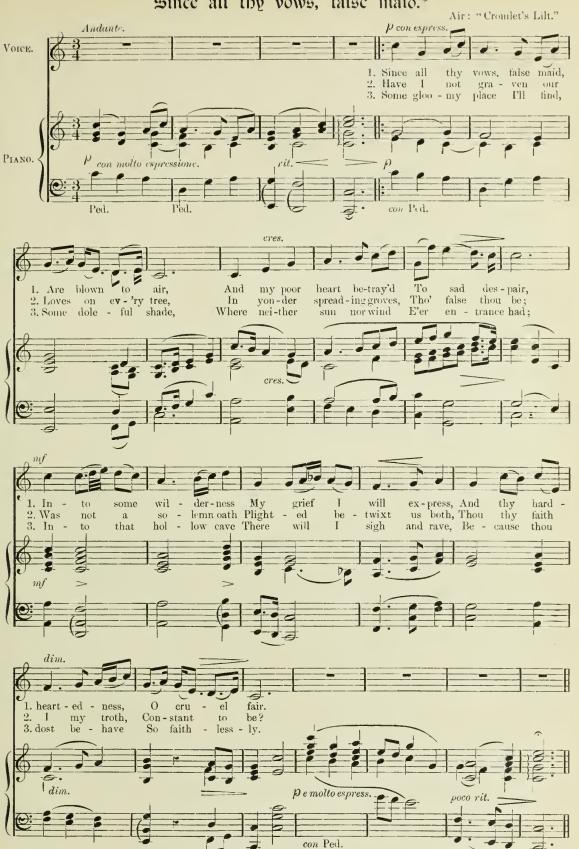
Should old acquaintance be forgot,

And never thocht noon.

In that lowing breast of thing

Should old acquaintance be forgo And never thocht npon: The flames of love extingnish'd, And freely past and gone? ls thy kind heart now grown so cold In that loving hreast of thine, That thou canst never once reflect On old loug syne?

Later on, Allan Ramsay produced a song on the same subject. It is to be found in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 31, entitled, "Auld Lang Syne." The original air given by Thomson, McGihbon, and others is never song now. Under the title of "O can ye labour lea. young man," an excellent version of the old time. "I fee'd a lad," with three of the original verses, is preserved in Johnson's Museum, vol. iv., No. 384.



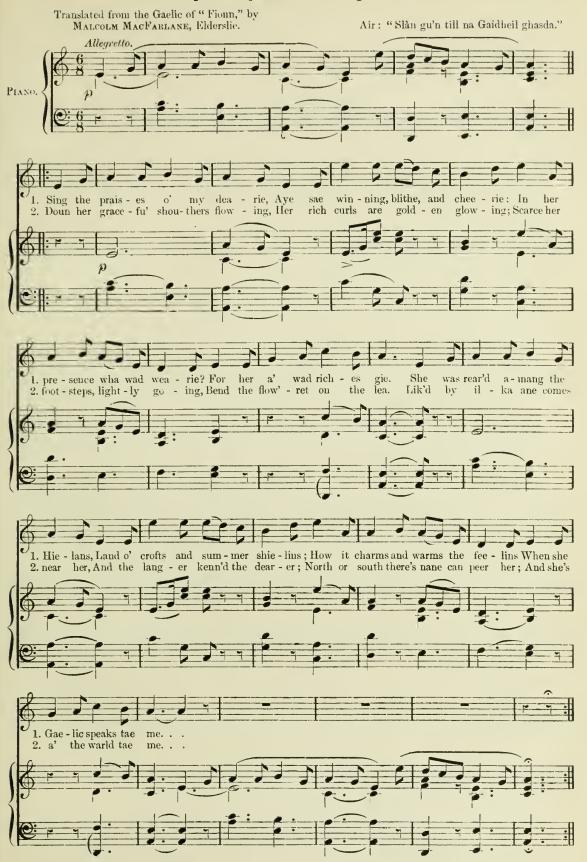
\* This traditionary ballad, which is preserved in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, pt. ii., refers to the love adventures of Chisholm of Cromlecks, in Perthshire, and Miss Helen Murray, a daughter of Stirling of Ardoch, commonly known, on account of her great beauty, as "Fair Helen of Ardoch." The incident, which took place during the reign of James VI., is too well known to repeat here. Both ballad and air are included in the second edition of Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, vol. ii., 1733. Geddes chose the air for one of the hymns in the Saints' Recreation, compiled in 1673, and published in Edinburgh in 1683. This hymn is entitled "The Pathway to Paradise; or, The Pourtraiture of Piety."

# Since my loved one has gone.\*



\* From the Cellic Lyre, by kind permission of Mr. Henry Whyte, who sends us the following note: "The author of this old song is unknown. The Gaelic words were printed in a small collection of songs by James Munro, the Gaelic Grammarian, entitled, An t-Ailleagan, and published in 1830."

#### Sing the praises o' my dearic.



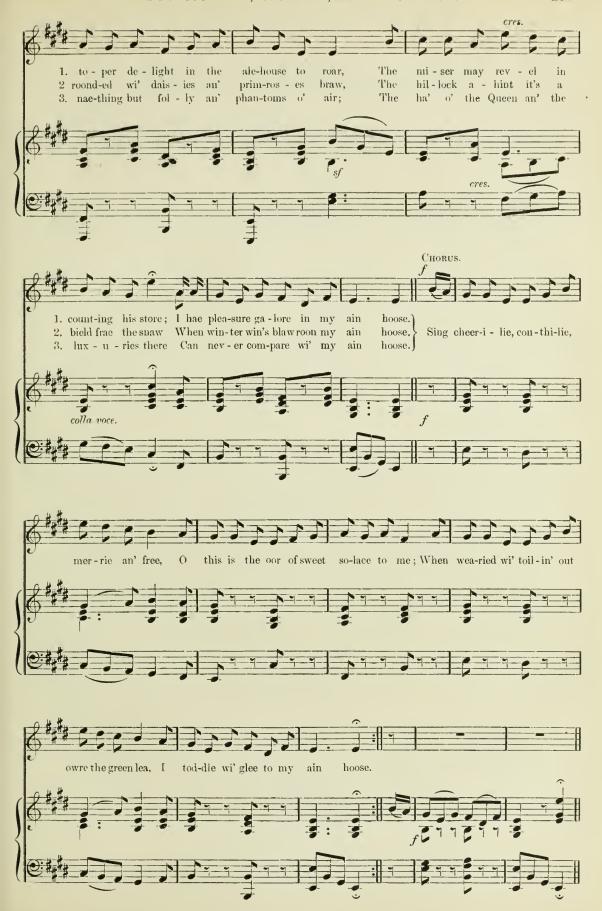
\* From the Celtic Lyre, by kind permission. The original Gaelic verses to this air belong to the 17th century. We have here adopted Mr. MacFarlane's translation of a new Gaelic song by Mr. Henry Whyte, entitled "A' mhaighdean aluinn."

# Sing coutbilie, coutbilie, merrie an' free.

MY AIN HOOSE.\*



\* By kind permission of "An Comunn Gaidhealach." Glasgow. This air is evidently very old. It appears in Patrick MacDonald's Collection of Highland Airs, 1784, under the name of Posadh peather Iain bhàin—The wedding of fair John's daughter. The original song being unsatisfactory, Mr. Malcolm MacParlane, of Elderslie, wrote new Gaelic verses to the melody at the request of Mr. Archibald Ferguson, Conductor of the Gaelic St. Columba Choir, Glasgow. For the excellent translation of these verses, Mr. Alexander Stewart, Polmont, was awarded a prize by "An Comunn Gaidhealach." The melody, with Gaelic and English verses, was first published in The Cettic Monthly—an excellent magazine, edited by Mr. John Mackay, Glasgow, which has been the means of bringing many old and rare Highland airs to public notice.



#### Smile na sae sweet, my bonnie babe.

FINE FLOWERS IN THE VALLEY.\*



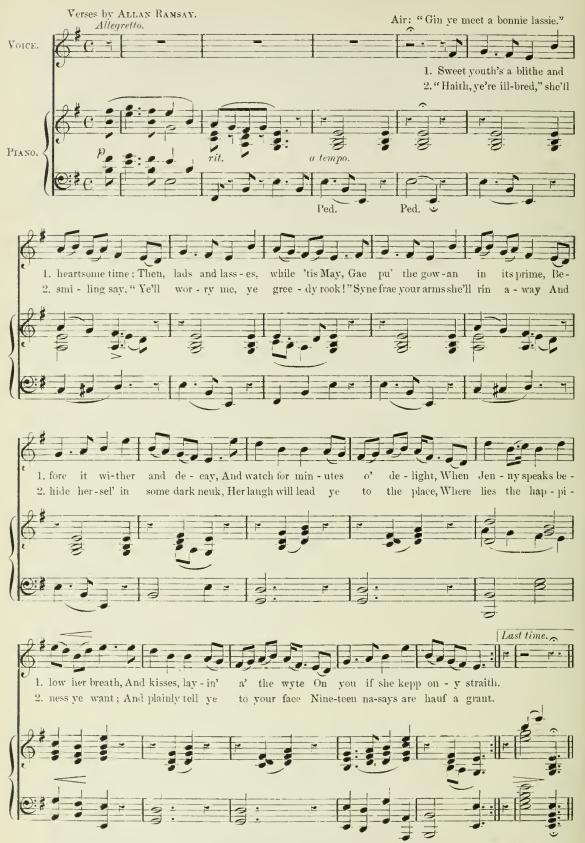
<sup>\*</sup> Stenhouse, in his note to this song in the Scots' Musical Museum Illustrations, p. 308, says: "This ancient and beautiful air, with the fragment of the ballad beginning, 'She sat down below a thorn' ['Smile na sae sweet' is the second verse], were both transmitted by Burns to Johnson for the Museum." Herd has inserted a few verses of what is evidently the same ballad in Scotz Songs, 1776, vol. ii., p. 237. On p. 88 of vol. i. of the same work, there is an entirely different ballad entitled, "Fine flowers' the valley," and beginning, "There was three ladies in a hat." Stenhouse is of opinion that both ballads were sung to the same simple, plaintive melody.

# Sweet sir, for your courtesie.



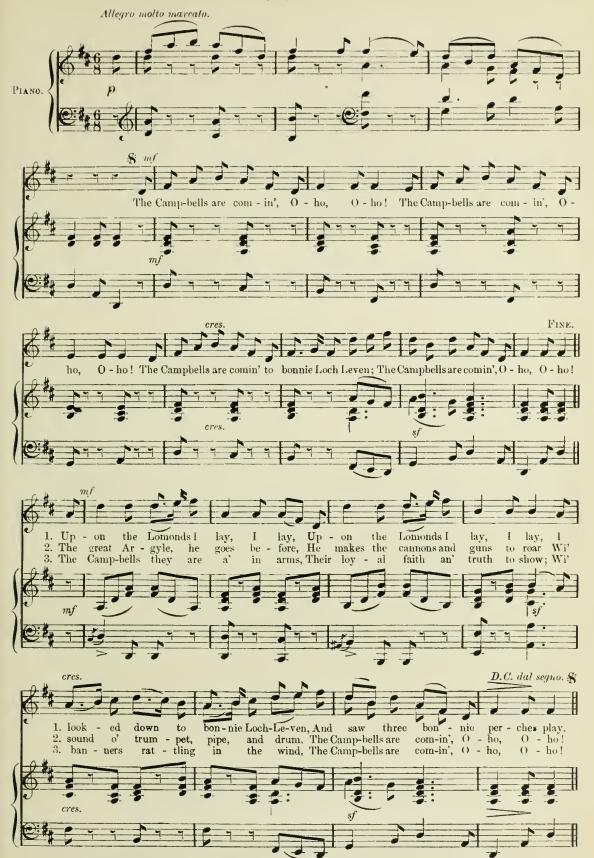
\* This song appears in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724; we have omitted the last two verses. The air is probably very old; a version of it appears in the Skene MS.. circa 1615-1620, as "Long er onic old Man." Thomson inserted both song and air in the second edition of the Orpheus Caledonius, vol. ii., 1733; as "My Jo Janet," the air is in Musick For Allan Ramsay's Collection, 1726, Bk. V., p. 112.

# Sweet youth's a blithe and heartsome time.\*



\* This beautiful air is probably very old. We give two of the four verses written to it by Allan Ramsay, who has also adapted the air to the song beginning, "Dear Roger, if your Jenny geck," in act I. of The Gentle Shepherd. Gay also introduced this melody in his Opera Achilles, performed in 1733. Ramsay's complete poem, "Fy gar rub her o'er wi' strae," the first verse of which is traditionary, is published in the Tea-Table Miscellany, and with the air, in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, and in Watts' Musical Miscellany, vol. v., 1731.

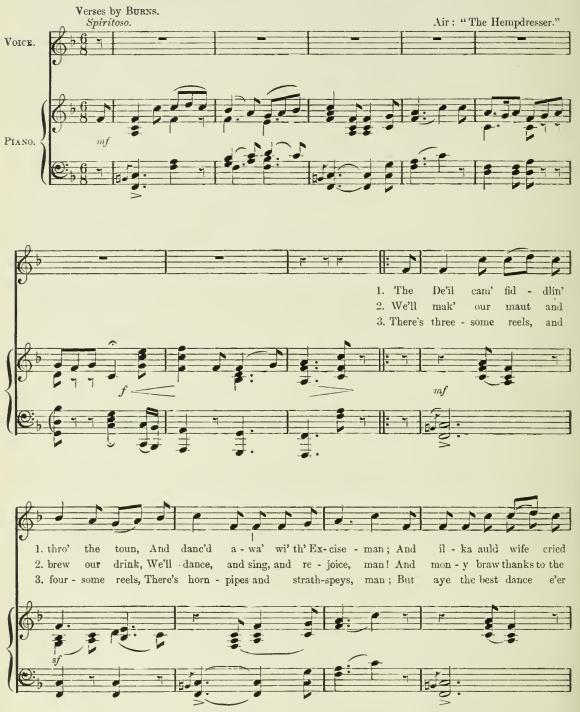
#### The Campbells are comin'\*



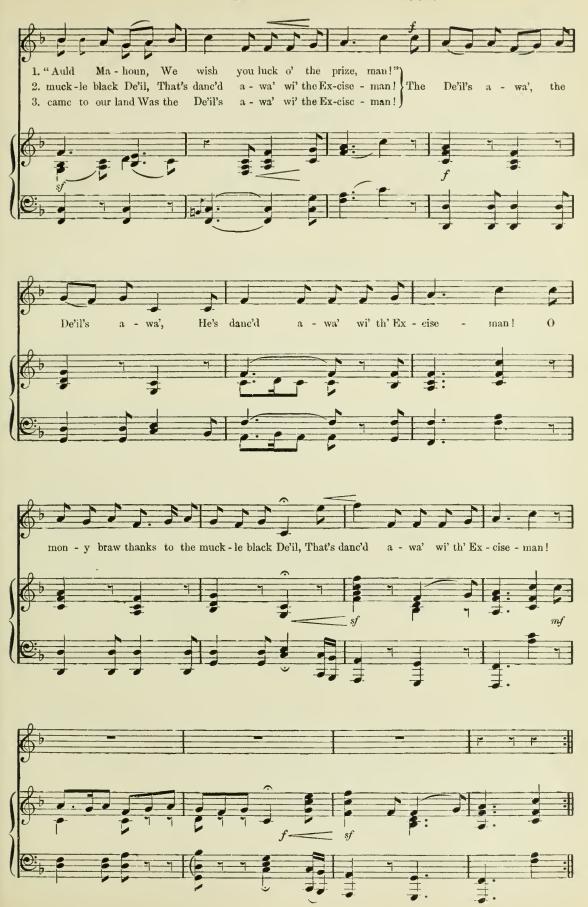
\* As "The Campbells are coming" the air is in Oswald's Pocket Companion, Bk. III., c. 1747, and in Bremner's Scots Reels, Bk. XI., 1761. In England it was known as "Hob or Nob," and under that title is in Rutherford's Country Dances, vol. i., c. 1749-56

### The De'il cam' fiddlin' thro' the toun.

THE DE'IL'S AWA' WI' THE EXCISEMAN.\*



\* Bu ns wrote these verses for Johnsou's \*Museum\*, where they appear as soug No. 399. The tune appears in Playford's \*Dancing Master, fifth edition. 1675. as "The Hempdresser." - ubsequently it became known by the name of "The Sun has loos'd his weary Team," from the first line of an old English song, which is given in the first volume of \*W tand Mirth; or, Pills to Purge Melancioly, London, 1698. In the sixth and last volume of the same work, published in 1719, Purfey again prints the air to versee beginning, "Lorenzo, you amuse the town, and with your charms undo, Sir." The tune is evidently English, and is probably the original of the well-known Scottish air, "Over the water to Charlie," published by Bremner in his Collection of Scots Reels, 1757.

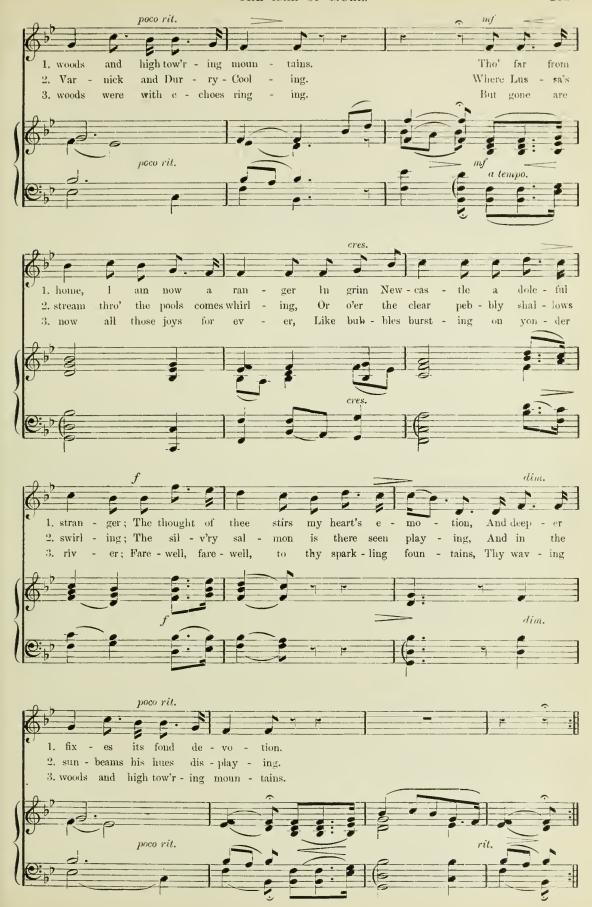


### The 3sle of Mull.\*

AN-T-EILEAN MUILEACH.



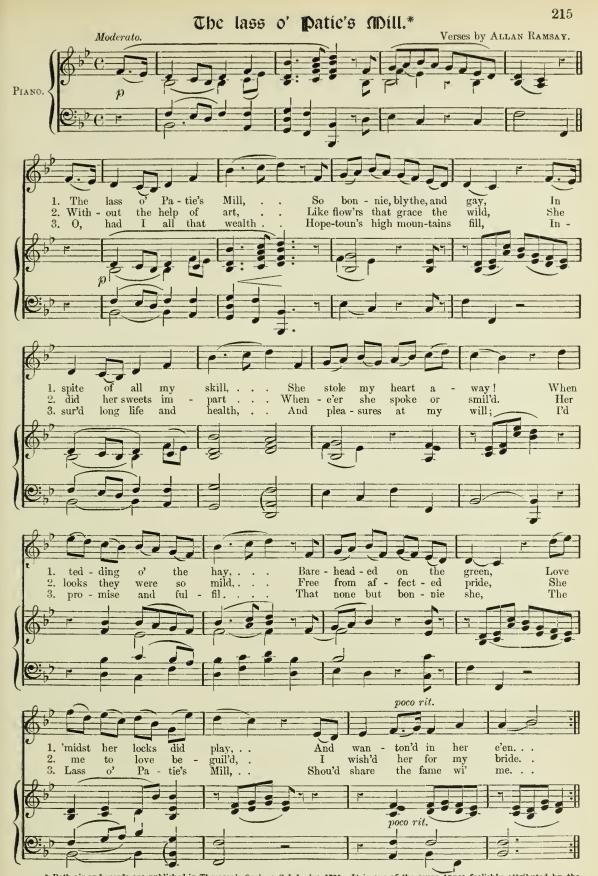
<sup>\*</sup> From the Octic Lyre, by permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte who has kindly sent us the following note: "These verses, in praise of the Island of Mull, Argyllshire, were written by the late Dugald MacPhail, a native of that island, who died in 1887. He wrote several other Gaelic songs, which are popular in the Highlands. The melody belongs to much older, but inferior verses. Mr. MacPhail was resident in Newcastle when he wrote this poem.





' The tragment of an ancient song beginning, "When she cam' ben, she bobbit," is preserved in Herd's Scots Songs, vol. ii., Ediuburgh, 1776. The air is in Pippard's A Hundred and Twenty Country Dances, London, 1711, as "Buckhingham House," and in Musick For Allan Ramssy's Collection, Bk. IV., 1726, as "The Lord of Cockpen's Scotch Measure." In Oswald's and McGibbon's collections of Scots Tunes (Edin., 1742), the air is entitled "When she came ben she bobed." Stenhouse mentions that it is in the Crockat MS. 1709. For a short account of the authoress of the spirited song, "The Laird o' Cockpen." see p. 152.

† The last two verses are by Miss Ferrier; they have been often attributed to Sir Alexander Boswell.

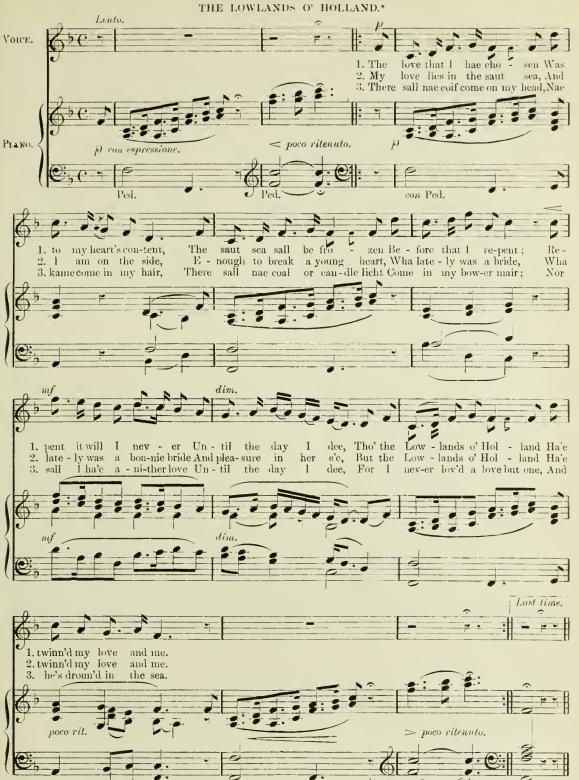


\* Both air and words are published in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1725. It is one of the seven times foolishly attributed by the editor of that work to "David Rezzio." The verses appear in Scots Songs, by A. Ramsay, Edin., 1718. Ritson considers them "equal to any, and even in point of pastoral simplicity, superior to most lyric productions, either in the Scottish, or any other language." Stenhouse considers the air to date from the middle of the 16th century. (See Museum Illustrations, p. 20.) It is curious to note how differently the editors of the earlier Scottish song collections spell the name of the heroine of this song. Ramsay and Thomson in the first edition of the Orpheus Caledonius, p. 1, spell the word "Patie." In the Musical Miscellany, vol. i., 1723, Watt has it "Peatie," whereas Adam Craig, in his Choicest Scots Songs, 1730, p. 24, "Pettie." In the second edition of his Orpheus in 1733, we find Thomson altering the title to "Peaty," and in the last volume of the Miscellany, Watt boldly heads the air, "Comely Patty."



\* This air appears in Gow's Repository, pt. iv., entitled "Miss Forbes' Farewell, by Mr. Isaac Couper, of Banfi." It is another version of the old tune, "Twine weel the plaiden"; see p. 154.

# The love that 3 bac chosen.



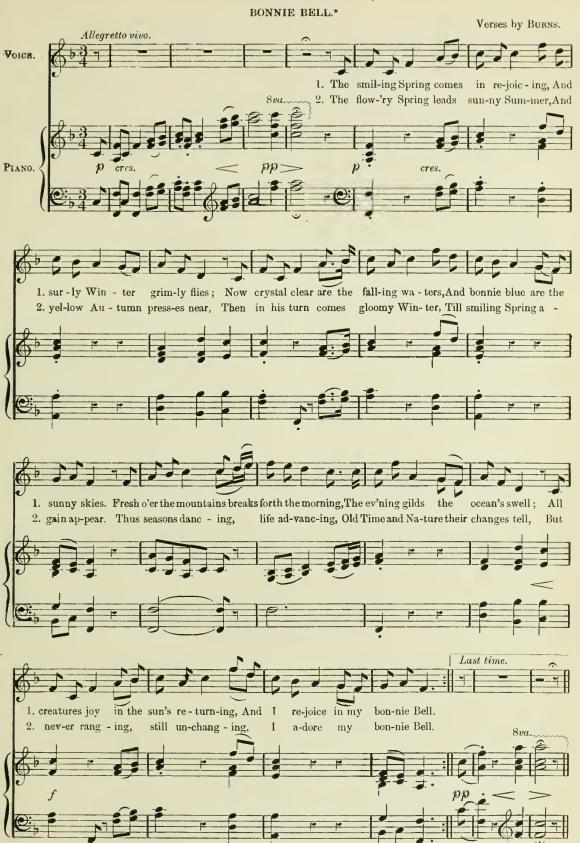
\* A somewhat different version of this ballad is included in Herd's Collection of Scots Songs, 1776, vol. ii. The melody is probably very old, and is considered by Stenhouse, Graham, and others, to be the foundation of William Marshall's popular tune, "Miss Admiral Gordon's Strathspey" (see p. 140). Mr. John Glen, however, points out in his Collection of Scottish Dance Music, 1891, that the "Lowlands of Holland" was first published in 1788 in Johnson's Museum, vol. ii.; and that Marshall's "Miss Admiral" was printed as early as 1781 in Neil Stewart's A Collection of Strathspey Reels (etc.), Composed by Wm. Gordon. But this does not prove that Marshall was unacquainted with the air prior to its being published by Johnson; and certainly the structure of the "Lowlands of Holland" is distinctly older than that of Marshall's rune. It has been suggested that Urbani adapted the air from Marshall's "Miss Admiral," but this is very improbable. Gow has a strathspey called "Major Graham of Inchbrakie, by Niel Gow," in his first Collection, 1784, which greatly resembles "The Lowlands o' Holland." In Christie's Traditional Ballad Airs, vol. ii., 1876, we find a tune entitled "The Lowlands o' Holland," which the editor of that work traces back to the middle of last century, but which has no connection with the melody given above. The air called the "Lowlands o' Holland," in Oswald's Pocket Companion, Bk. II., is also entirely different. "My love she winns not here away," preserved in the Skene MS., 1615-20, we probably the earliest known version of the air given above.

# The mirk is gathering in the glen.\*



<sup>\*</sup> A version of this melody occurs in Captain Fraser's, of Knockie, Collection of Airs and Melodies peculiar to the Highlands of Scotland, 1816.

### The Smiling Spring.



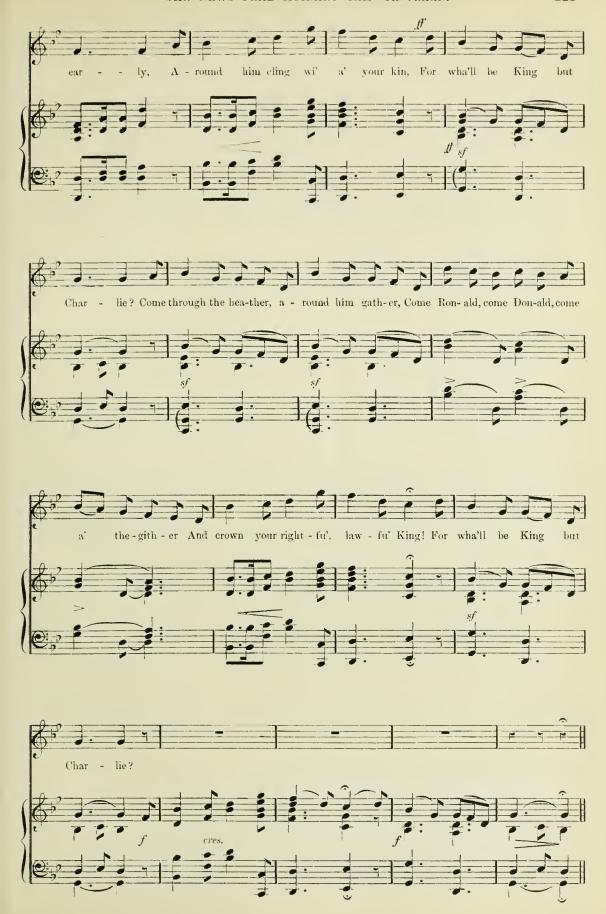
\* Burns communicated this air and his verses to Johnson for his Scots Musical Museum, vol. iv. The air is probably from the Borderland

# The news frae Moidart cam' yestreen.

WHA'LL BE KING BUT CHARLIE?\*

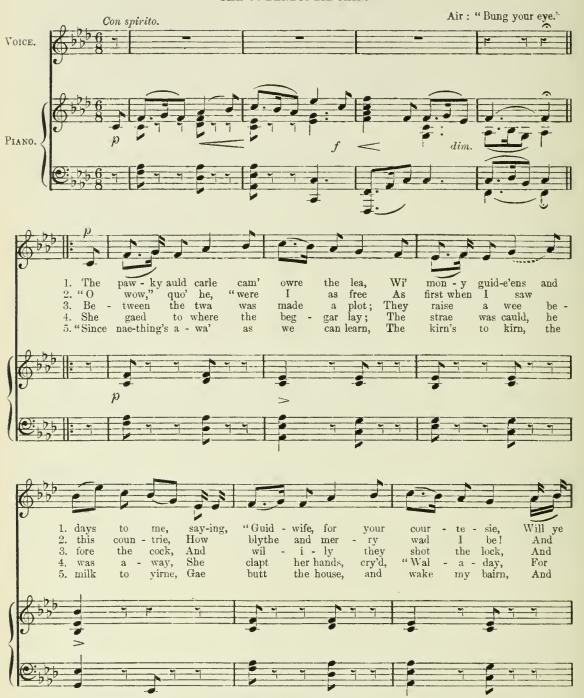


\* Captain Fraser, of Knockie, included this fine melody in his Airs and Melodies peculiar to the Highlands of Scotland, 1816. In a note to the air the Editor remarks, "This is a melody common to Ireland as well as to the Highlands of Scotland,—but having been known in this country since the 1745, as one of the incentives to rebellion; if originally Irish, some of the troops or partisans engaged for Charles from that country might have brought it over, but the nelody is simple and beautiful, assimilating itself very much to the style of either." (Note No. 136.) The incident of which the song treats, is the landing of Prince Charles Edward Stuart, on the 25th July, 1745. The Prince was accompanied by seven followers. They landed at Borodale, a farm belonging to the Clanranald, and lying close to the shore of Lochnanuagh, Moidart. The air, with Lady Nairne's verses, is given in Smith's Scotish Minstrel, vol. vi., 1824.

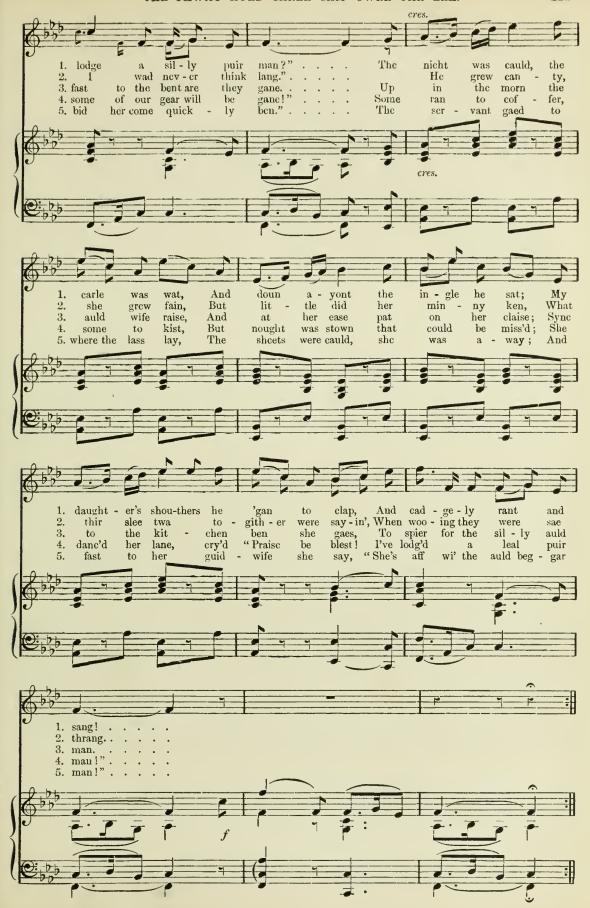


## The pawky auld carle cam' owre the lea.

THE GABERLUNZIE MAN.\*



<sup>\*</sup> This excellent old ballad, from which we have chosen five verses, is preserved in the Tea Table Miscellany, 1724. It is there signed "J," and has been thought by many—l'ercy among others—(see his Reliques, vol. ii., Bk. I.)—to be the composition of James V., whose custom it was to wander about the country in disguise. This is, however, extremely improbable. Mr. R. Chambers remarks that "there is not the faintest assimilation of the style of this song to the manner of any of the 'makkers' of the early part of the leth centrary." Mr. Chambers considers it possible that "The Gaberlunzie Man," "Maggie Lander," "Muirland Willie," "Willie was a wanton wag," "My Jo Janet," and a few other songs, all of which can be traced back to the period immediately preceding Allan Ramsay, were the composition of one author—an earlier Burns, who has chosen to remain for ever unknown (see Songs of Scolland prior to Burns, p. 179). The air to which the ballad is set in the Orpheus Calcionius, 1725, and in Watt's Musical Miscellany, vol. v., 1731, is now entirely forgotten; it is in 3 time, and has a compass of almost two octaves. Christie gives an entirely different air in his Traditional Ballad Airs, vol. ii., 1881, and remarks, that after the publication of the ballad in Herd's Collection in 1776, the air "Muirland Willie" was used. Stenhouse makes a similar remark in the Museum Illustrations, but both these authors probably meant the tune "Bung your eye," which in many ways greatly resembles "Muirland Willie." "Bung your eye" was first published by Robert Ross in A Choice Collection of Scots Reels, etc., 1780, and two years later, by James Aird in A Selection of Scotch, etc., Airs, vol. i.



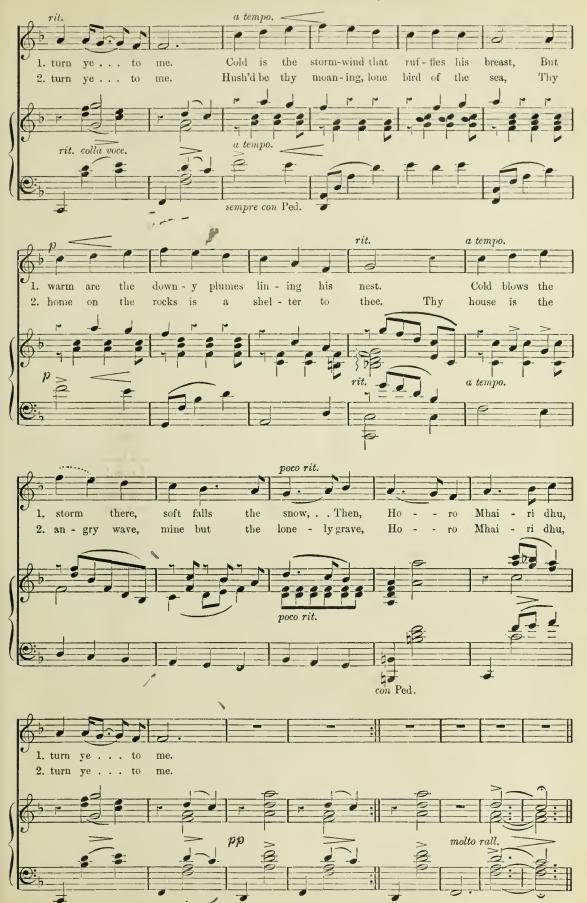
## The stars are burning cheerily, cheerily.

TURN YE TO ME.\*



\* This melody was first published in \$40 yn's Anthology, 1816, vol. i. The following is Campbell's note to the song: "The above stanza [in Gaelic] is the only one the Editor took down from the singing of Misses Anne and Janet McLeod, of Guesto, Skye. The melody is supposed to be ancient. The verses were composed to Mrs. McPherson, of Ostaig, by a female maniac, several years ago, who sung them, it is said, in so sweetly wild a manner, as to thrill the listener with pleasing terror." The poem, which is usually called "The Sea-mew," was written by John Wilson (Christopher North). We have Mr. Malcolm Lawson's permission to use his version of the air. It appears in The Songs of the North, of which collection Mr. Lawson is the musical Editor. It differs considerably from Alexander Campbell's version.

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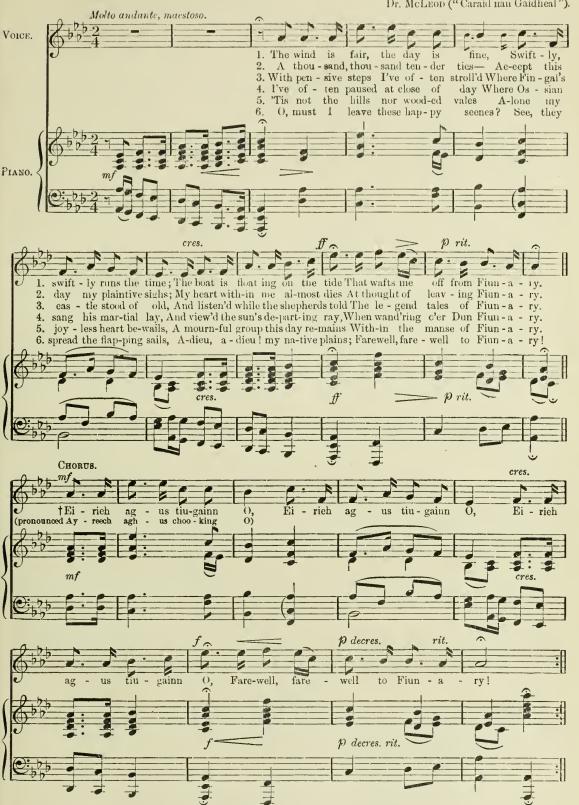


• This tune and title occur in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. viii. Burns wrote the words for Johnson's Scots Musical Museum, vol. iv., 1792. They are an improved version of the traditional verses.

# The wind is fair.

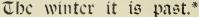
FAREWELL TO FIUNARY!\* Soraidh slàn le Fionn-Airidh!

Verses by Dr. McLeod ("Caraid nan Gaidheal").



\* From the Celtic Lyre, by the kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte ("Fionn"), who sends us the following note: "The Manse at Fiunary, Argyleshire, was long the home of the MacLeods. The song, 'Farewell to Fiunary,' was written by the elder Dr. MacLeod, known as Cavaid nan Gaidheal, the Highlander's Friend, on the occasion of his leaving home to enter the Glasgow University. His leave-taking is beantifully described by his son, Dr. Norman MacLeod, in his 'Reminiscences of a Highland's Parish.' The air is much older than the song, belonging originally to a song by Allan MacLeod, in his 'Reminiscences of a Highland's Parish.' The air is much older than the song, belonging originally to a song by Allan MacDougal, better known as Allean Dall, or Blind Allan, who was born in Glenco, 1750. The original song, brinn drinn u hord, is a lyric of merit, but it never obtained the popularity of 'Fiunary.' To this we have only to add that in the sixth volume of the Scottish Ministrel, issued in 1824. A. Smith published a somewhat different version of the air, as "Farewell to Funery"; Smith prints McLeod's song as the composition of Morehead

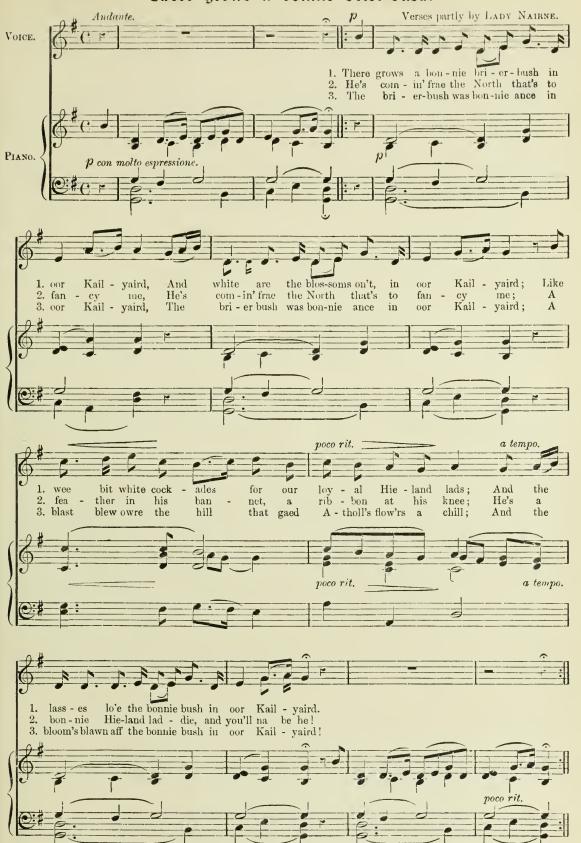
† 1e., Arise, and let us go.



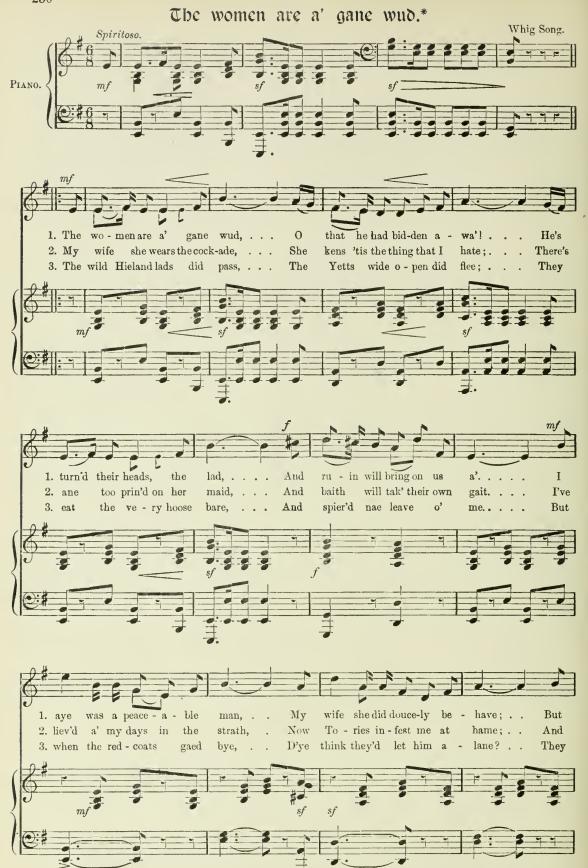


\* This air appears in Oswald's Caledonian Pocket Companion, Bk. X., under the same title The song was contributed by Burns to Johnson's Museum, vol. ii., 1788; its author is unknown. In Christie's Traditional Ballad Airs, vol. ii., 1876, we find another version of the ballad, entitled, "The winter's gone and past," and set to an entirely different air, which the author says is well known in the counties of Banff and Aberdeen. Dean Christie also remarks that the hero of the song was a highwayman of the name of Johnston, who was executed about the middle of last century for the many robberies he committed in Curragh of Kildare, Ireland. † In some editions C.

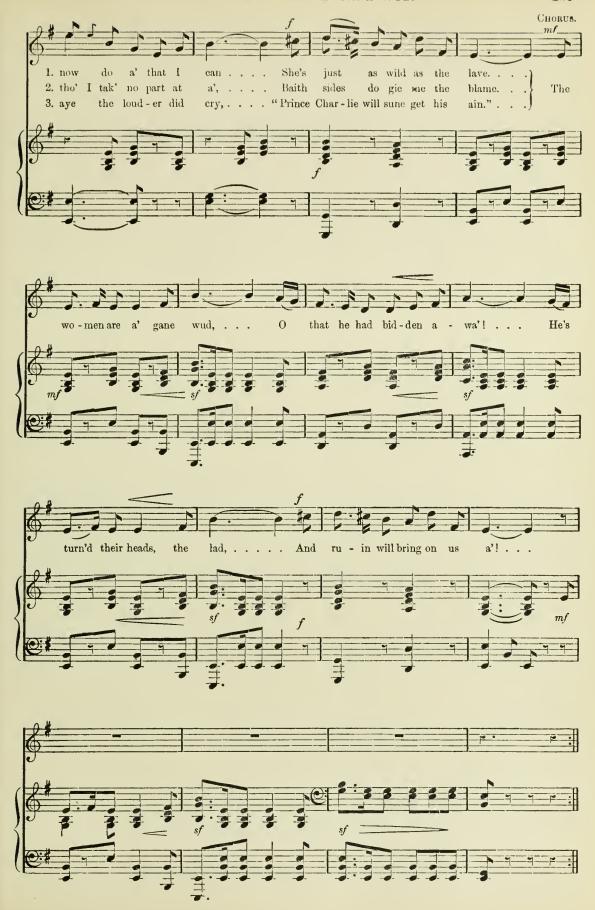
# There grows a bonnie brier=bush.\*



\* This air was communicated to Johnson by Burns for the Scots Museum. We adopt three of the six verses given by R. A. Smith in his Scotish Minstret, 1\*22. They are the composition of Lady Nairne, and, like Burns' song in the Museum, are founded on the fragment of an old traditional song which seems to have been popular about the middle of last century.



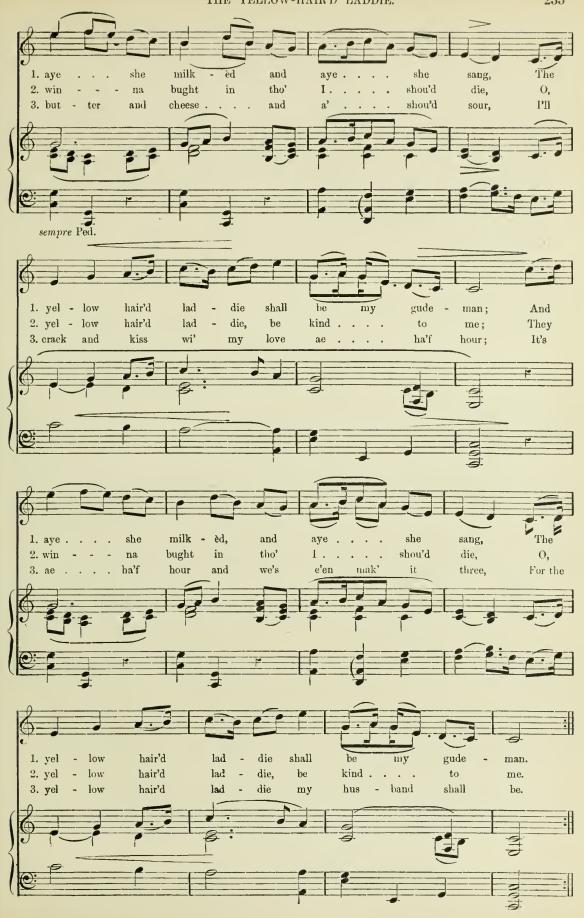
\* The older version of this song is in % time, which, on the whole, suits the restlessness and annoyance depicted in the verses better than the more regular setting in % rhythm. As, however, the latter version seems to have become more popular—probably because it is more singable—we have adopted it here. The verses we have taken from R. A. Smith's Scotish Minstrel, 1822, vol. iv., p. 41. Smith gives the air in § time.



# The yellow=hair'd laddie.\*

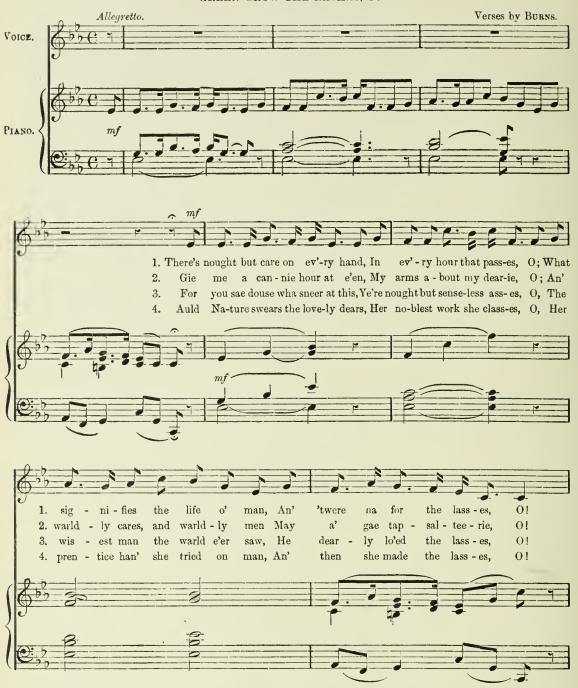


\* This air, Stenhouse informs us, is found in Mrs. Crockat's Manuscript Music-Book, 1709. The song is preserved in *The Tea-Table Miscellany*, pt. ii., issued circa 1725, as "The anld Yellow-hair'd Laddie." Ramsay wrote verses to the same air commencing, "In April, when primroses paint the sweet plain," and published them in *The Tea-Table Miscellany*, pt. i., 1724; a year later Thomson inserted Ramsay's poem with the air in the first edition of the *crpheus Caledonius*, after which the melody seems to have become very popular. We find Watts, Adam Craig, McGibbon, and many others, including it in their collections.



#### There's nought but care on ev'ry band.

GREEN GROW THE RASHES, O1\*



<sup>\*</sup> An air which bears but scant resemblance to the modern air known as "Green grows the rashes," is preserved in the MS. Lute-Book of Sir Gordon Straloch, compiled between 627 and 1629, as "Green grows ye rasses, A daunce." Another version of it is preserved in the same MS. as, "I kist her while she blusht." Both airs are given in Laing's Additional Illustrations to Johnson's Museum p. 138, from which the following is taken: "The MS. from which these times are given, is a small oblong 8vo., and has the following title:—'An Playing Booke for the Lyte, wherein ar contained many Currents and other musical things. Musea ment's medicina mesta. At Aberdein, Notted and collected by Robert Gordon. In the yeere of our Lord 1827. In februaree.' At the end is this colophon, 'Finis huic libro impositus Anno D. 1629. Ad finem Decemb. In Straloch.'" In vol. ii. of Ancient and Modern Scottish Songs (1776), Herd prints an old song beginning:

"Green grows the rashes, O, Green grows the rashes, O, A feather bed is no sae saft As a bed amang the rashes, O," etc.

But it is impossible to say whether these are the original verses or not belonging to the air. The tunes seem to have been popular in England about two hundred years ago. As "John Black's Daughter," it is printed in Walsh's Caledonian Country Dances, vol. ii., c. 1740, and also in Johnson's similar collection of Scottish dance tunes. In Rutherford's Country Dances, 1750, it is called "Poots Vagaries, or Green grow the Rashes." Bremmer has it in his Scots Reels, Bk. VIII., 1759, as "The Grant's Rant."

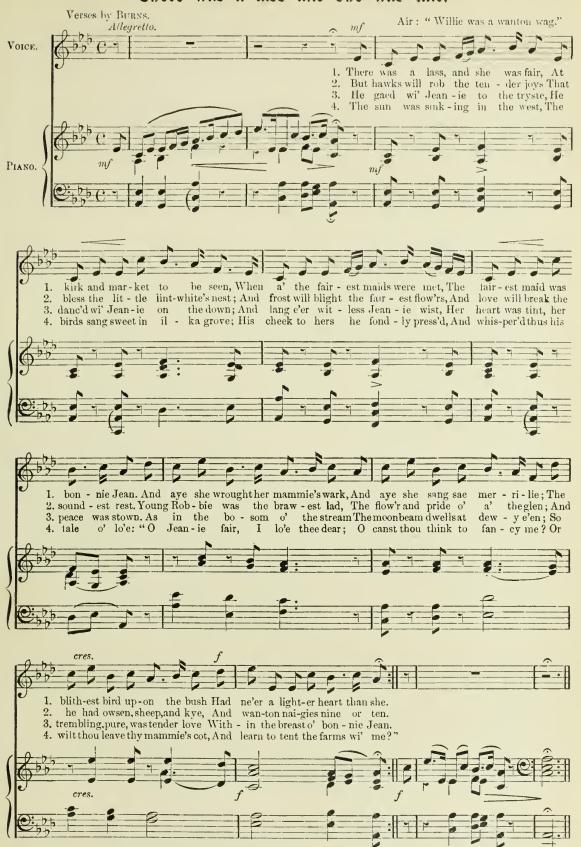


# There was a lad was born in Ikyle.\*



\* The first strain of this old traditional melody forms the second part of a dance tune printed in Playford's Apollo's Banquet, 1687, entitled "The Duke of Bucchigh's Tune," the first strain of which is an early version of the celebrated air "Andd lang syne." The entire tune as given above was published by Walsh in his Complete Country Dancing-Master, vol. i., 1718, p. 313, as "Fidler's Morris." In Oswald's Collection, Bk. IV., c. 1748, it receives its old name of "I wish that you were dead, good man"; McGibbon includes it in his Scots Tunes, Bk. III., 1756, as "Watson's Scots Measure." Burns wrote his song in 1784; it is, a description of the incidents attending his birth, the 25th of January, 1759.

#### There was a lass and she was fair.\*



\* George Thomson adapted these verses to the tune, "Willie was a wanton wag," and inserted them in his Collection. Burns wrote the verses in 1793. The heroine of the song was Miss Jane McMurdo, daughter of John McMurdo, Esq., Chamberlain to the Duke of Queensberry. The air, "Willie was a wanton wag," was first published in the second edition of Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1733, vol. ii., p. 60.

#### There was anes a May.

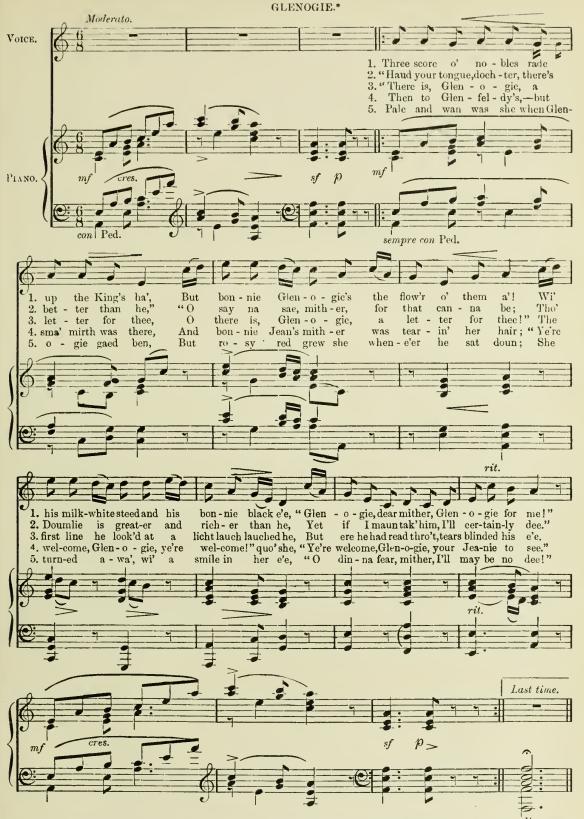
WERE NA MY HEART LICHT I WAD DEE.\*



This song, with its air, appears in Thomson's Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 40, under the title of, "Were ne my Hearts light I wad Dye."

Later on, Allan Ramsay inserted it in the fourth part of the Tea-Table Miscellany. The complete ballad consists of ten verses. Lady Grizel Home, by whom it was written, was the daughter of Sir Patrick Home, afterwards Earl of Marchmont; she was born at Redbraes Castle in 1665. In 1692 she married George Baillie, of Jarviswood; she died in the 81st year of her life, in 1746.

# Three score o' nobles rade up the Iking's ba'.



\* The first printed version of this ancient ballad and air is found in R. A. Smith's The Scotish Minstrel, 1822-24, vol. iv., p. 78. Smith's version contains eight verses. The incident which furnished the theme of the ballad is thus described by Buchan in his Ancient Ballads, vol. i., p. 310. "When the intestine troubles and broils of the North disturbed the public peace so much, in 1562, the Queen's pre-ence was thought necessary to put a stop to some of them, and for this purpose she appeared in the North among her friends and foes. Jane, daughter of Baron Meldrum and laird of Bethelue, in Aberdeenshire, was one of Queen Mary's favourites, with whom she occasionally dined at the house of Fettern-ar, where the Queen resided for a few days; and, having chanced to espy Sir George Gordon, of Glenlogie, as he rode through the village of Banchorr, fell desperately in love with him, and, that he might know her case, she despatched a letter to him for this purpose, but he, for a while, made light of the same, which came to the lady's ears, and threw her into a violent fever. Her father's chaplain, no doubt bred at the court of Cupid, undertook the correspondence, and was more successful. She was afterwards married to Sir George, the object of her wishes, in her fifteenth year."

# Thy check is o' the rose's bue.\*

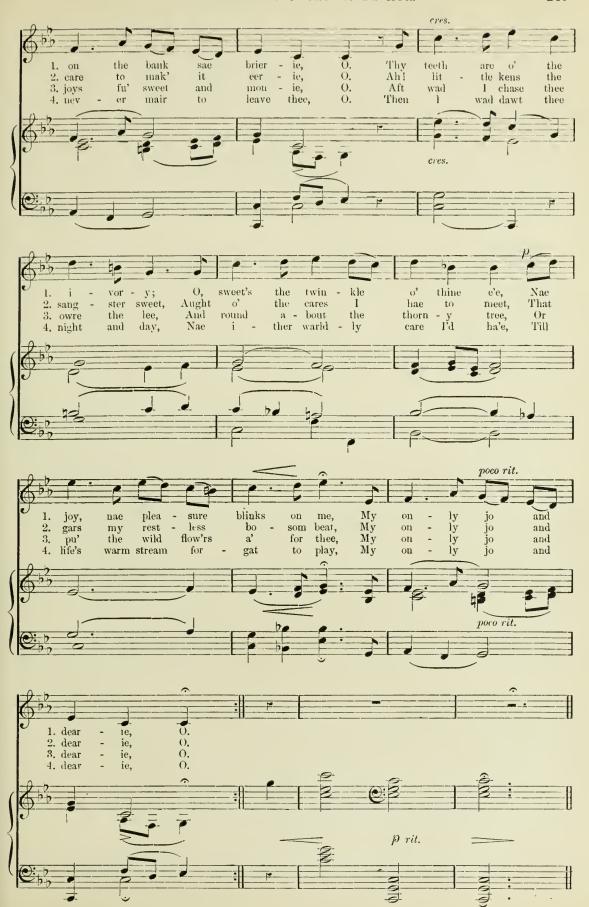


<sup>\*</sup> Richard Gall, the author of this beautiful song, was brought up as a joiner, but later on, entered the printing office of Mr. Ramsay, Edinburgh. He died in his 25th year. The above song was written at the request of Mr. Thomas Oliver, publisher, Edinburgh. Mr. Oliver heard the air sung in the pantomime of Harlequin Highlander, at the Circus. He was so struck with it that it dwelt upon his mind. The only part of the words he recollected were:—

"My love's the sweetest creature That ever trode the dewy grass; Her cheeks they are like roses Wi' the opening gowans wet between."

Gall's song, with the air, was included in the sixth and last volume of Johnson's Scots Musical Museum, 1803. Christie gives an air in his Traditional Ballat Airs, vol. i., 1876, entitled, "Cow the gowan," which resembles "Thy cheek is o' the rose's hue." This melody was obtained by the Dean's grandfather, from Singing Jamie, a blind mendicant, well known in the Puchan district towards the close of last century.

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### To the Lords o' Convention.

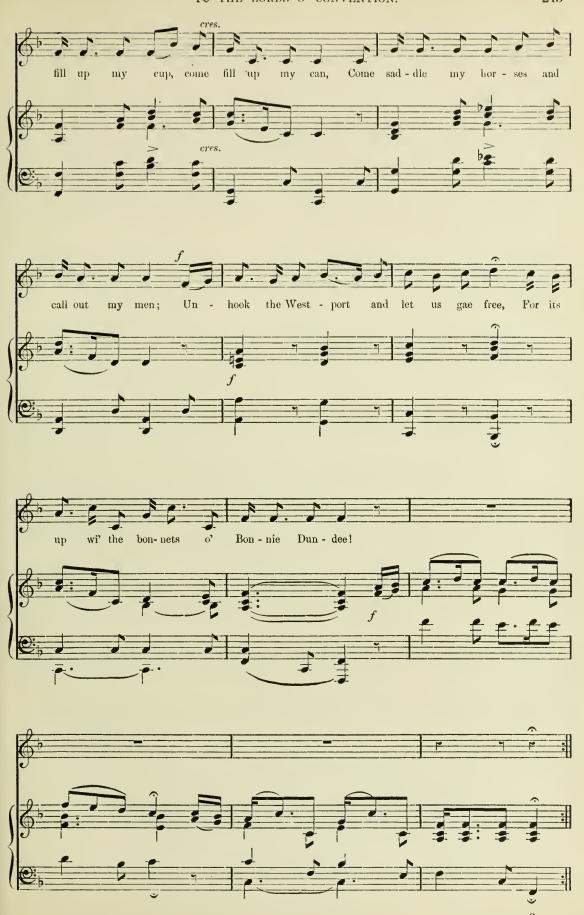
BONNIE DUNDEE,\*



\* Sir Walter Scott's song consists of eleven verses; it was written in 1825, and first published in "The Doom of Pevorgoil," 1830. In vol. v., p. 17, of D'Urfey's Pills, 1719, there is a song entitled "Jockey's escape from Dundee," and set to a version of the old air "Adew. Dundee," (See p. 7.) The following is the chorus of D'Urfey's verses; it is probably the fragment of some song belonging to a period much older than that in which D'Urfey flourished.

Come fill up my Cup, come fill up my Can, Come saddle my Horse, and call up my Man, And shew me the way to Bonny Dundee.

The popular air given above was published in 1854, by Cambell & Co., London; it is said to be the composition of Charlotte Sainton-Dolby.

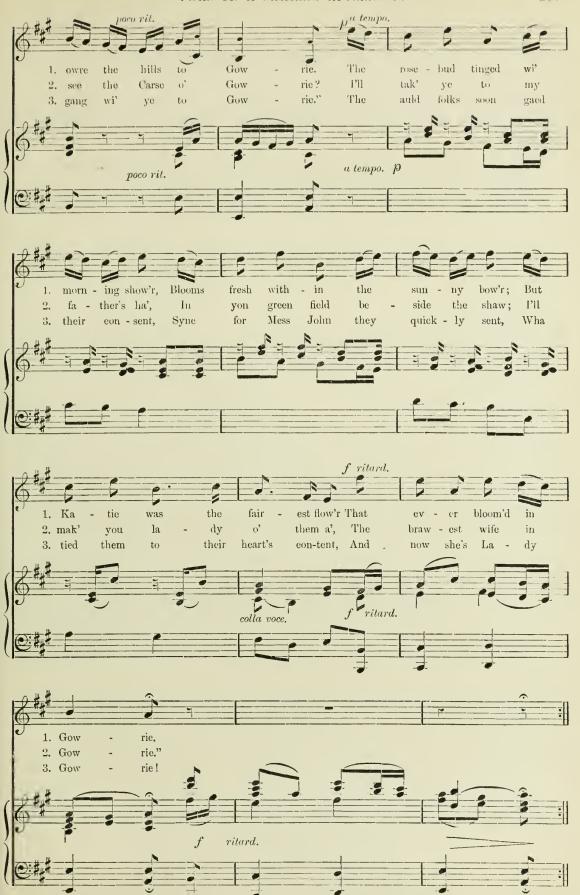


### 'Twas on a simmer's afternoon.

THE LASS O' GOWRIE.\*



\* This air is derived from an old Scottish Strathspey, preserved by Bremner in his Collection of Scots Reels or Country Dances, 1757, as "O'er young to marry yet"; Gow prints an embellished version of it in his A Second Collection of Strathspey Reels, etc., 1788, as "Loch Erroch Side, a Strathspey. Composed by Niel Gow & his second Wife." The Carse of Gowrie lies, between Perth and Dundee, and is one of the most fertile spots in Scotland.

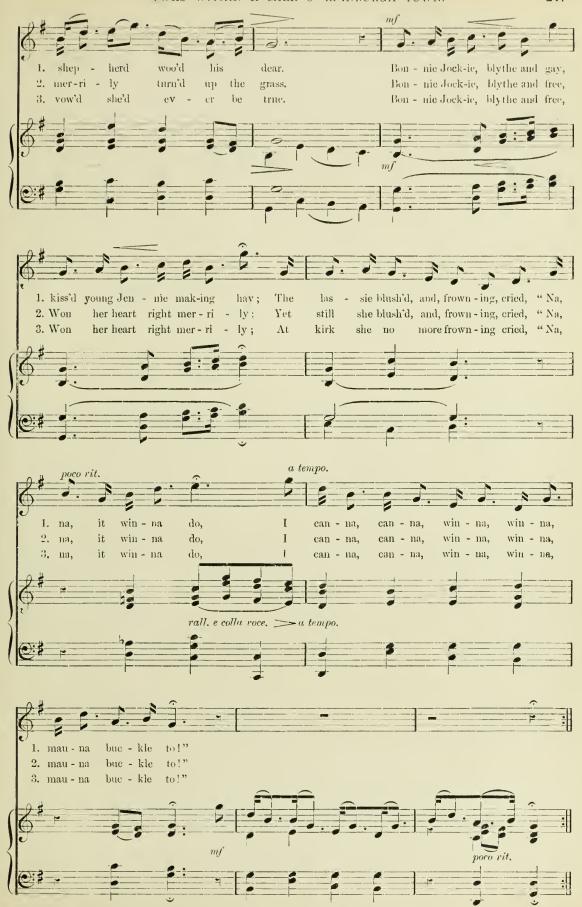


## 'Twas within a mile o' Edinburgh town.



<sup>\*</sup> This air is the composition of James Hook. It is a good example of a melody written in the "Scots style." Hook was born at Norwich, 1746, and died in 1827. The original version of the poem is found in Wit and Mirth: or, Pills to Purge Melancholy, vol. i., 1698, under the title of "A Scotch Song," the first verse of which is:—

<sup>&</sup>quot;Twas within a Mile o' Edinborough Town,
In the Rosic time of the year when the Grass was down;
Bonnie Jockey Blith and Gay,
Said to Jemny making Hay,
Let's sit a little (Dear), and prattle;
"The song is attributed to D'Urfey, the a'r to which it is set is English, and bears some resemblance to "Come with me a-rushing," preserved in Queen Elizabeth's Virginal Book—Hook's composition quickly became popular; it was first published in A Collection of Songs sung at Tauxhall, composed by Mr. James Hook, 1780, p. 7, as "I wound Buckle too; a Scotch Song."





\* This air appears on p. 18 of M'Gibbon's Scots Tunes, Bk. II., 1746, as the "House of Glams." It has been wrongly attributed by many to Oswald, although never claimed by that clever composer of Scottish melodies. As "Roselana Castle," it is to be found in the \*\text{calculation} \text{Toket Companion, Bk. IV., c. 1748, and with Hewitt's song in Brenner's Scots Tunes, Bk. II., 1750. Richard Hewitt was a native of Cumberland. He was educated by Dr. Blacklock, whose amenuesis he was for some years. He died in 1764.

## We'll meet beside the dusky glen.



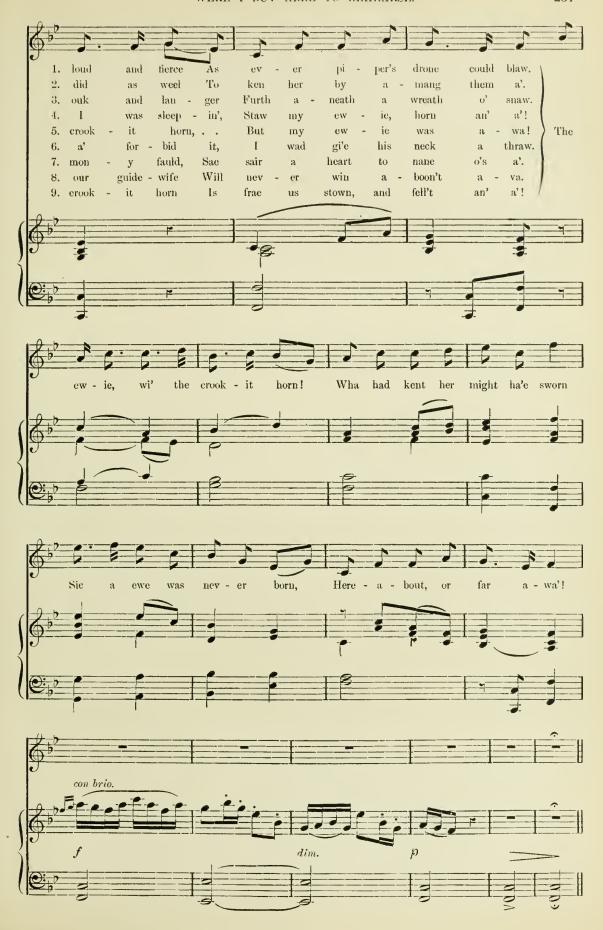
\* This melody is another version of "The bonnie brier-bush"; it was first published by R. A. Smith. In addition to our note on p. 223, it may be mentioned that the air "The brier-bush" is a variation of an old time published in Oswald's Pocket Companion, Bk. III., under the title of "For lak of Gold I lost her,"—a tune which in many ways greatly resembles the old melody, "I love my love in secret." (See p. 126.)

### Where 3 but able to rehearse.

THE EWIE WI' THE CROOKIT HORN.\*



\* This is a Highland dance-tune, a somewhat different version of which is published in Angus Cumming's Collection of Strathspeys or old Highland Reels, 1780, as "Carron's Reel, or U Choria Chruim"; it is also included in Robert Ross' Scots Reels, 1780, and in Gow's Collection of Strathspey Reels, 1784. The "Ewie wi' the crookit horn" is the whiskey-still with its spiral apparatus. We give here the genuine melody with the flattened seventh, the characteristic of Scottish bagpipe music. The Rev. John Skinner was born at Balfour, in the parish of Birse. A berdeenshire, in 1721. In 1742 he settled at Longside, near Peterhead, as Pastor of the Episcopal Church. He ministered there until his death in 1807. Two years after his death a little book was published entitled Amusements of leisure hours: or, petical pieces by the late Kererend John Skinner, Edinburgh, 1809. This work contains an interesting sketch of the Author's life. Burns greatly admired Skinner's genius as a song writer. He alludes to "Tullochgorum" as "this first of songs" and "masterpiece." See Reliques, p. 281. Skinner probably wrote his "Ewie wi' the crookit horn" not later than 1780, and there is strong reason to believe that the air was composed about the same date; it may be mentioned, however, that "Genry Libbie" in Musick For Allan Ramsay's Collection, Bk. VI., p. 144, 1726, is not unlike "Carron's Reel."

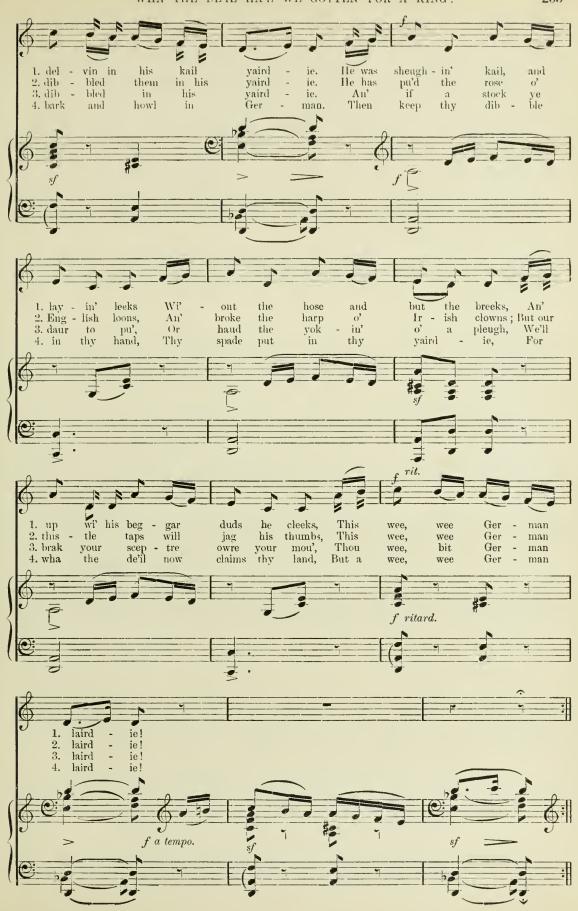


## What be de'il ba'e we gotten for a king?

THE WEE, WEE GERMAN LAIRDIE.\*



\* One of the most virulent of Jacobite ballads. It appears in Cromek's Reliques of Nithsdale and Galloway Song, 1810, p. 117. The air, which was contributed by Eurns to the Scots Museum, vol. v., 1796, with new verses entitled, "O May, thy morn was ne'er so sweet," seems to bear striking resemblance to "When the King came o'er the water" (published in M'Gibbon's Scots Tanes, Bk, 111., 1755), or, as it is sometimes called, "Lady Keith's Lament," a time which the Irish claim under the title of "The Boyne Water." Another version of the air is given in Mr. Lachlam McBean's Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands, as "O Theid Sinn." Hogg has included the song in his Javobite Relices, Ser. I., 1819. In a note to it on p. 262 he writes: "This is one of the most spirited songs existing, and a great favourite all over Scotland. . . It is sung to many different times in different districts of the kingdom; but the one to which it is here set was composed by me a number of years bygone, and it having been sung so often to it, I found that all over the south country any other would have been reckoned spurions. I have, however, added the best original one I could find, which, though perhaps scarcely so good a tune as the former, is more in character." It is needless to remark that Hogg's own tune has been quite forgotten—indeed, we doubt if it was ever known at all, and that the old setting is now universally used. Another interesting version of the air, "What the Diel," is given in Traditional Tunes, Collected and Edited by Frank Kidson, Oxford, 1991, under the title of "The Dowie Dens of Yarrow." It was contributed to Mr. Kidson's work by Mrs. Calvert, of Gilknockie, in Eskdole. "Mrs. Calvert originally obtained it on the brace of Yarrow from her grandmother, who was the celebrated Tibbie Shed, the humble friend of Sir Walter Scott and James Hogg."



# Wha wadna be in love wi' bonnie Maggie Lauder?

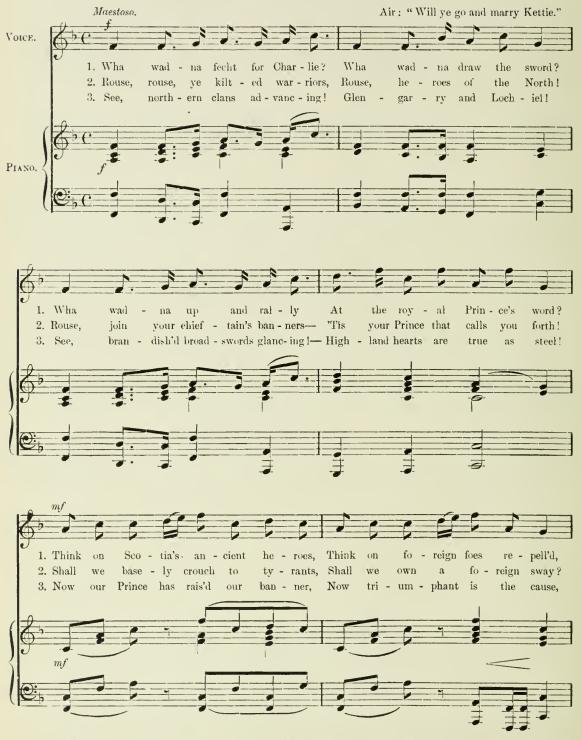
MAGGIE LAUDER.\*



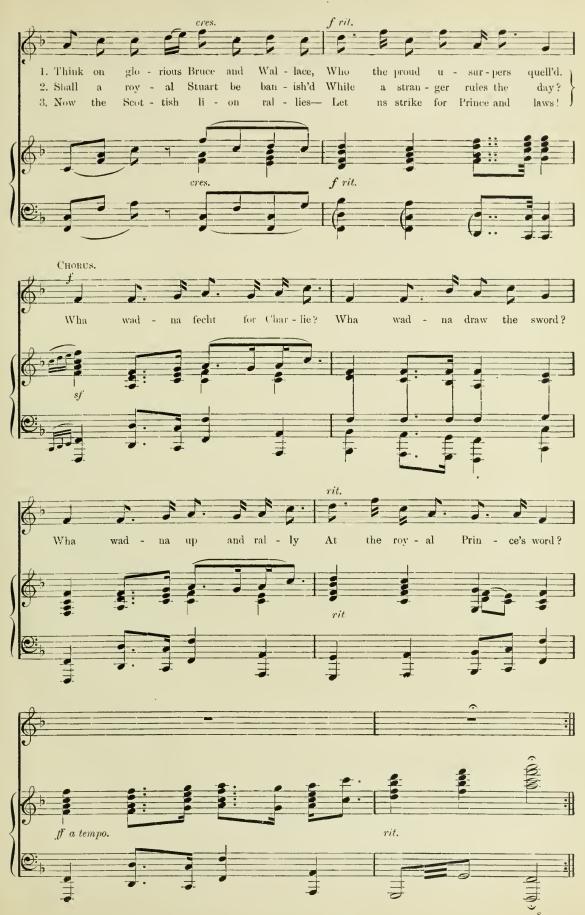
\* Although probably belonging to a much older date, this fine song first appears in Herd's Collection of Scottish Songs, vol. ii., 1776. It is attributed to Francis Semple, of Beltrees. Renfrewshire on the not very reliable authority of his grandchildren. The author of the air is unknown, but it seems to have been song in London about the beginning of the 18th century. We have not been able to find it in any collection of Scottish inusic prior to Adam Craig's A Collection of the Choicest Scots Tunes, p. 33, a work issued in 1730. Some years later, M'Gibbon published it with variations composed by himself, in his Scots Tunes, Bk I., p. 16. 1742. Gay introduced it in his opera Achilles, published 1733. "Anster" is the town of Anstruther, Fifeshire. Habbic Sinson was the celebrated piper of Kilbarchan, whose memory and merits are preserved in an excellent elegy composed by Robert Semple (the father of Francis Semple), and published in Watson's A Choice Collection of Comic and Serious Scots Poems, pt. i., p. 32, issued in 1704.



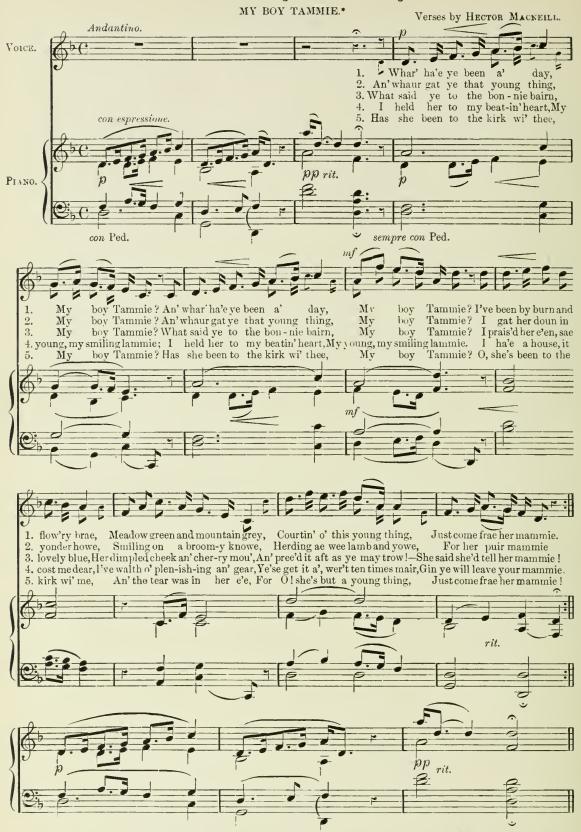
#### Wha wadna feebt for Charlie?



\* From James Hogg's Jacobite Relics, Ser. II., 1821. The air was first published in Neil Stewarts A Collection of the Newest and Best Reels or Country Dances, 1761, as, "Will ye go & marry Kettie?" and in Angus Cummings' A Collection of Strathspeys or Old Highland Keels, 1780, as "Mulchard's Dream, or Bruarthar Feare Mulachaird"; Gow names it "Marry Ketty" in his Second Collection, 1788.



### What' ba'e ye been a' day?

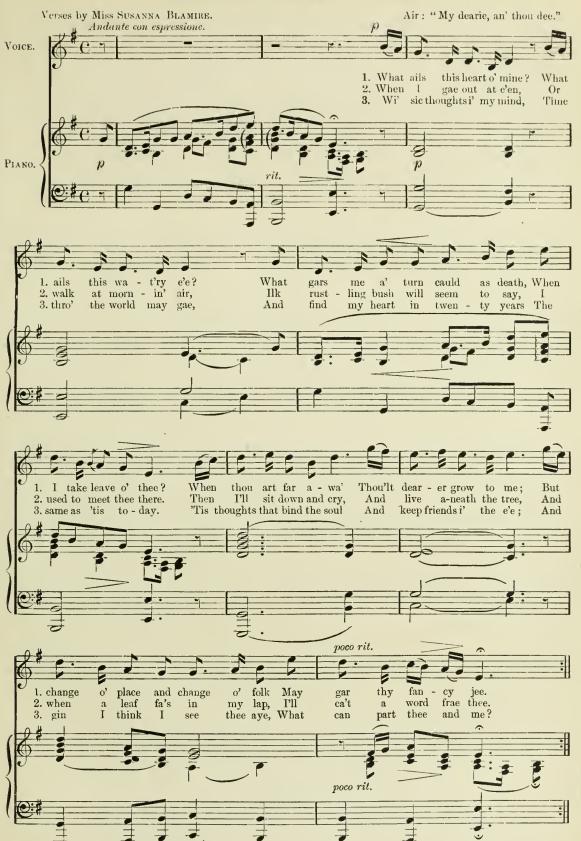


\* Hector Macneill's beautiful verses first appeared in an Edinburgh magazine called *The Bee*, in 1791, and with the air in Napier's Collection, vol. ii., 1792. Mr. G. F. Graham, in Wood's Songs or Scotland, vol. i., 1852, shows that the melody is evidently a comparatively modern transformation of the tune, "Muirland Willie" (see p. 180). In the Muscum Hlustrations, No. 502, Mr. Stenhouse gives two verses of an old song which he had often heard sung by old people in his boyhood. The following is one of the verses:—

Is she fit to soop the house, my boy Tammie? Is she fit to soop the house, my boy Tammie?

She's just as fit to soop the house as the cat to tak' a mouse; And yet she's but a young thing, just come frae her mammie.

#### What ails this beart o' mine?



\* A version of this ancient melody appears in the MS. Lyra-Viol Book of the celebrated Dr. John Leyden, circa 1695-1700, and in the Orpheus Calcionius, vol. ii., 1733, to verses by Crawfurd beginning, "Love never more shall give me pain." But Thomson's "set" of the melody differs considerably from the one given above, which seems to be more modern. Miss Blamire was born at Cardew Hall, Cumberland, in 1747. She seems to have been of an affable, lively disposition, and beloved by all who knew her. She died at Carlin in 1794.

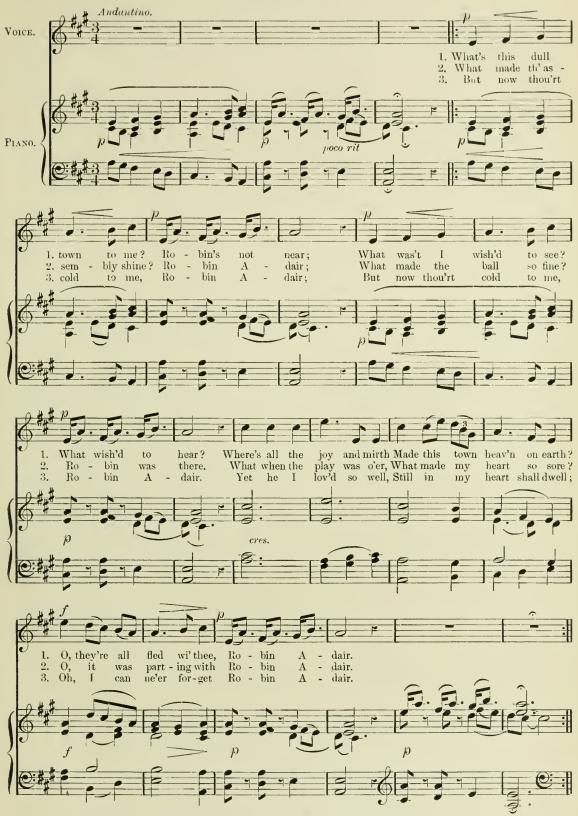
# What's a' the steer, kimmer?



\* This air was composed by Geo. Alex. Lee, tenor singer (1802-51), and was published in R. A. Smith's Scottish Minstrel, vol. ii., 1822. The words bear considerable similarity to verses published in Cromek's Reliques of Nithsdale and Galloway Song, p. 112, beginning, "What news to me, Carlin?" About 1825, through the singing of Miss Stephens, afterwards Countess of Essex, "What's a' the steer, Kimmer?" became very popular.

### What's this dull town to me?

ROBIN ADAIR.\*



\* This is the modernised version of the old Celtic air. Regarding it, Mr. Colin Brown remarks in The Thistle, p. 167: "It belongs to a class of gems which bear the impress of remote antiquity. Few of such peerless beauty can be found in music, so simple in construction, and so full of power and pathos. The Celtic name of this air is Ceud mile failte, Ellean mo rin—A hundred thousand welcomes, island of my love. It belongs alike to the ancient Scots of Ireland and Scotland." A florid version of the air was published as a sheet song by Walsh about 1740, as Ailen aroon, an Irish Ballad sung by Mrs. Clive at y Theatre Royal. Oswald, Bremner, and other Scottish editors included it in many of their collections.

# When all the birds in Gaelic sang.

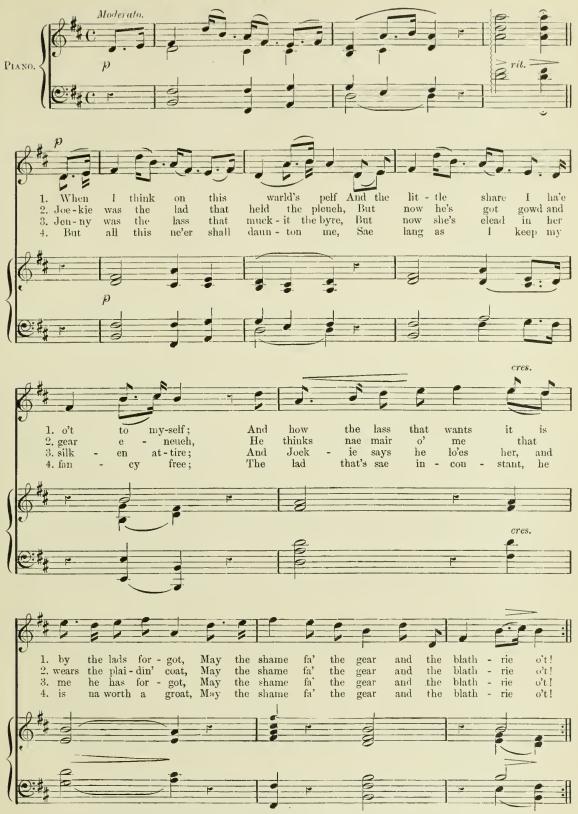
AN UAIR BHA GÀILIG AIG NA H-EÒIN.



\* By kind permission, from Songs and Hymns of the Scottish Highlands, edited by Lachlan Maclean. The Gaelic verses were probably written at the close of the last century; they are entitled "Linn an aigh"—The happy age.

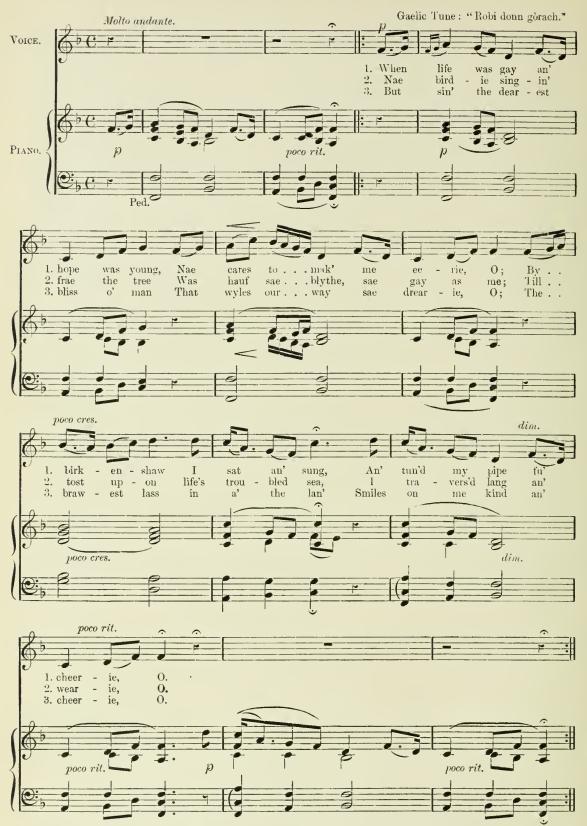
# When 3 think on this warld's pelf.

"SHAME FA' THE GEAR AND THE BLATHRIE O'T!" \*



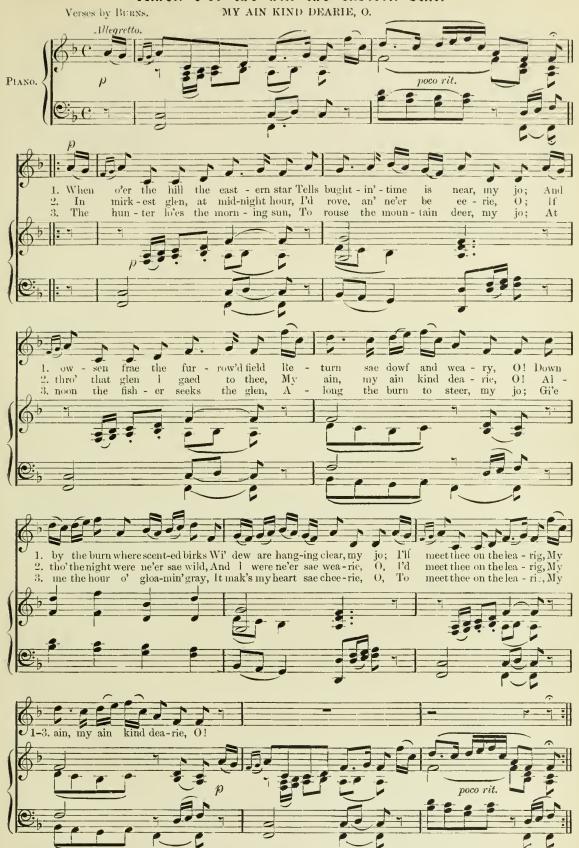
"Shame fa' the gear and the bladry o't" is an old Scottish proverb. Kelly, in Scots Proverbs, 1721, says that it "is the turn of an old Scottish song, spoken when a young handsome girl marries an old man upon account of his wealth." A seemingly more modern version of the song is putlished in Yair's Charmer, 1749. In Reliques, p. 210, Burns prints a song containing the same proverb in the last line of each verse. This song, the Poet remarks, "was the earliest song I remember to have got by heart. When a child, an old woman sung it to me, and I picked it np, every word, at first hearing." The air is included in McGibbon's Scots Tunes, Bk. III., 1755, as "De'el take the gear & the bladrie o't," and with the verses in Bremner's Thirty Scots Songs, 1757.

### When life was gay.\*

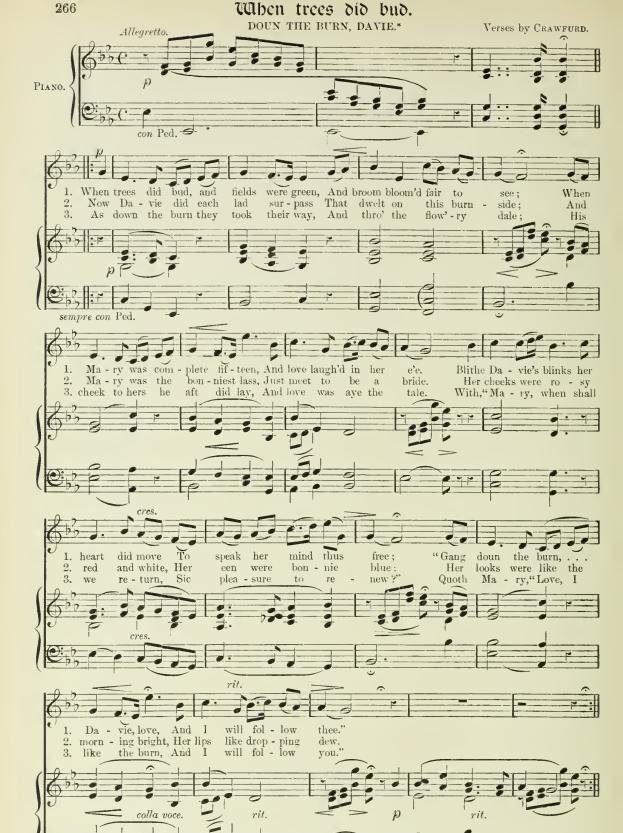


\* This is one of the many versions of an old Gaelic air, known as "Robi donn gorach," and published by Gow in his first Collection of Strathspey Reels, as "Robie donna gorach, Daft Robin, an old Highland song." Alluding to this air, which, in the Museum is set to the old song, "Todlen Hame." Mr. Stenhouse remarks that it "has been wrought into a variety of modern tunes; such as 'Armstrong's Farewell'; 'Robidh donna gorrah'; 'The Days o' Langsyne'; 'Lude's Lament'; 'The Death of the Chief, 'etc.," Museum Illustrations, No. 275. To this list may be added, "Nae mair we'll meet"; "My ain Fireside;" and "Na làithean a dhàom; or, The Gay Days of Yore." The verses which we have adopted in this work, are reprinted by permission from Mr. R. Maver's Genuine Scottish Melodies.

### When o'er the bill the eastern star.

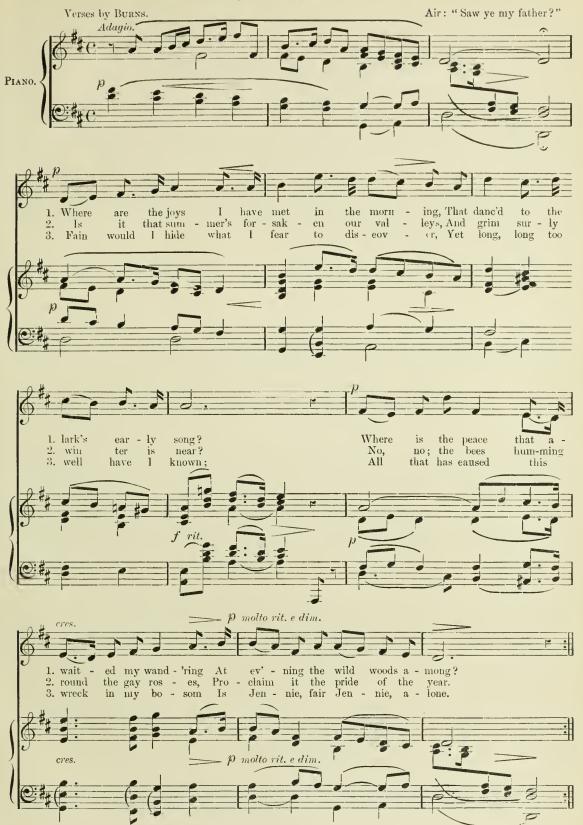


\* This tune was popular in England about the commencement of last century. As "My Ain Dearie," it is printed in Wright's 200 Country Dances, c. 1735-40, and as "My Ain Kind Dearie. A Scotch Country Dance," in Walsh's Caledonian Country Dances, Bk. IV., c. 1746-7. Later on the tune seems to have become known as "The Lee Rigg" from some old verses sung to it, beginning, "Will ye gang owre the Lea-rig, mv ain kind dearie, O," and under this title Oswald inserted it in his Pocket Companion, Bk. III., c. 1755. In Angus Cumming's Collection of Strathspeys, 1780, it is named "The Wedding; or, San Rire va Vannich."



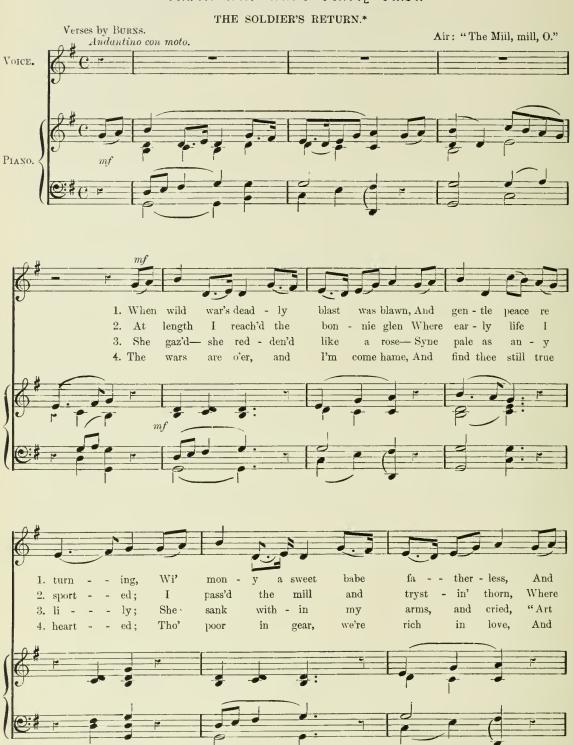
<sup>\*</sup> This air, with Crawfurd's verses, appeared in the Orpheus Caledonius, 1725, p. 50; it is one of the seven tunes foolishly ascribed by the author of that work to "David Rezzio." The version of the tune in the first edition of the Orpheus Caledonius differs greatly from that published in the second edition, 1733. M'Gibbon's version in Scots Tunes, Bk. I, 1712, differs again from either of those in the Orpheus. The air seems to owe its present singable condition to some arranger belonging to the latter half of last century; it is to be found in the Musical Miscellany, Perth, 1786, a work issued more than a year prior to the first volume of the Scots Museum. An improved version of the last verse of Crawfurd's poem, from the pen of Burns, is here adopted.

# Where are the joys 3 bave met in the morning?\*



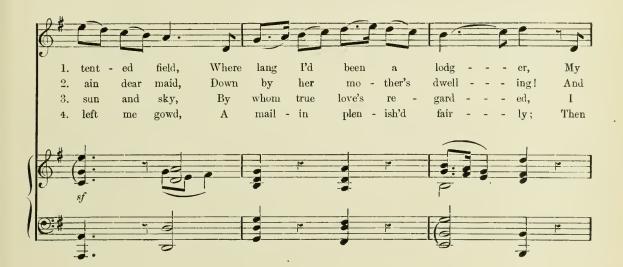
\* The old verses seem to have been first published in Herd's Collection of Scottish Songs, Ancient Ballads, etc. (1st ed. 1769), under the title of "The Grey Cock," and, with the air, in Vocal Music; or, The Songster's Companion, 1772 The air is also to be found in Straight & Skillern's Country Dances for 1773, a work issued about October, 1772, and in The Universal Magazine for January, 1773. In the latter volume it is entitled, "A favourite Scotch Song." Chappell's suggestion that Hook composed the melody is extremely improbable Burns wrote the song, "Where are the joys." in September, 1793, for George Thomson's Collection. In a letter to Thomson he refers to the tune as "one of my greatest favourites" (see letter No. 42 of Dr. Currie's Complete Works of Robert Burns, 1800).

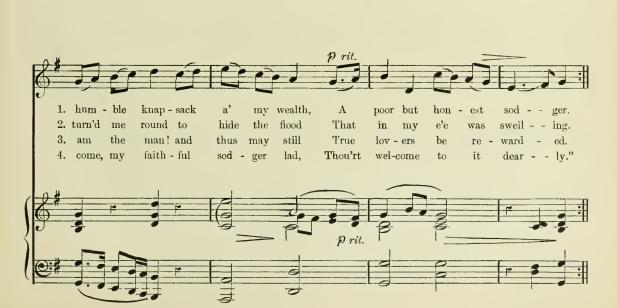
### When wild war's deadly blast.



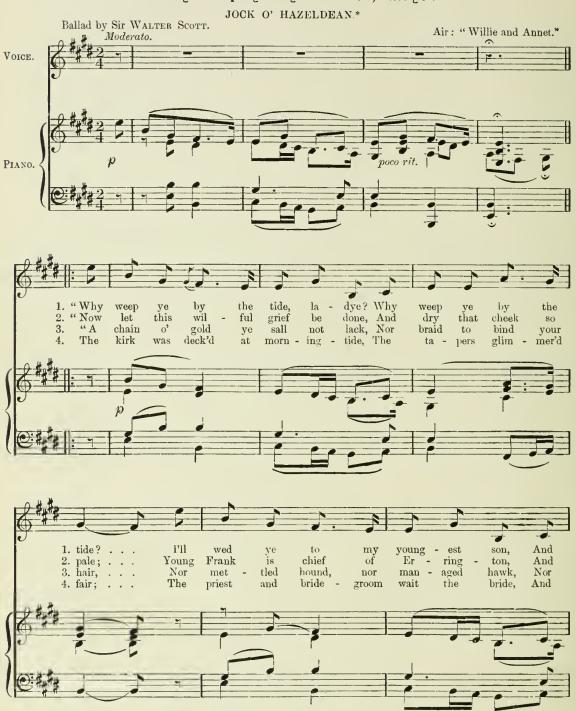
\* This air appears in Mrs. Crockat's Manuscript Music Book, 1709, but it evidently belongs to a much earlier period; its first appearance in print is in Thomson's Orpheus Calcionius, 1725. Watts gives a peculiar version of it in his Musical Miscellany, vol. vi., 1731. The old indelicate song, "Beneath a green shade, I fand a fair maid," is supposed to be the composition of Allan Ramsay; it was first published in the Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724, and must have been very popular, as it is included in almost every collection of Scottish songs up to the end of last century. Its last appearance seems to be in The Calcionian Musical Repository, 1806, where a version of Burns' "The Soldier's Return" is also given. Burns' poem was written in the spring of 1793, for George Thomson's Collection, vol. i.



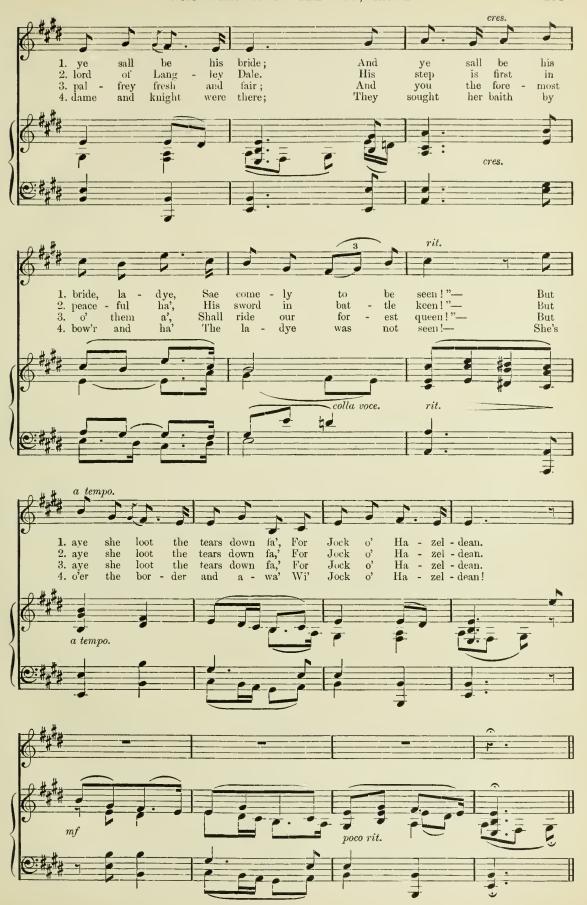


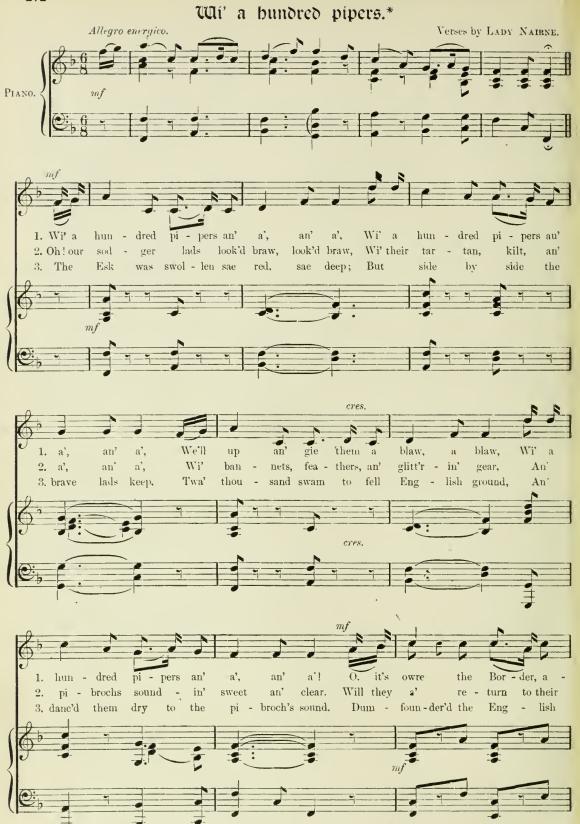


# "Tuby weep ye by the tide, ladge?"

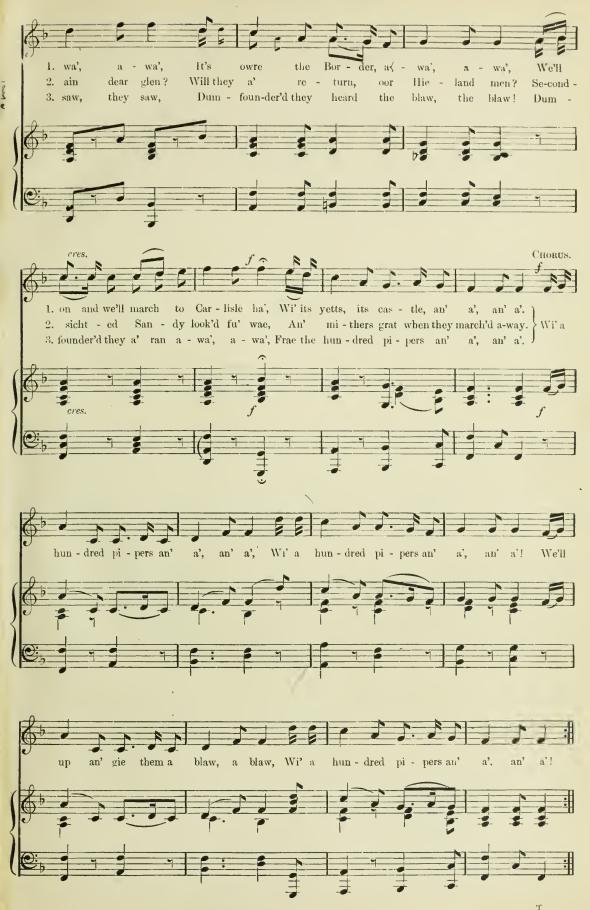


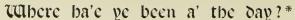
<sup>\*</sup> From Albyn's Anthology, vol. i., 1816, for which collection Sir Walter Scott wrote the ballad. A version of the melody occurs in the Leyden Mannscript, under the title of "The Bony brow" Scott's song was founded on the old ballad of "Jock o' Hazelgreen," a version of which is given by Buchan, in his Ancient Ballads and Songs of the North of Scotland. In his note to "The glancing of her apron," Museum flustrations, p. 394, Stenhouse points ont that the tune of "Jock o' Hazelgreen is merely the old simple air of "Willie and Annet." a florid version of which is given in Playford's Choice Ayres, Bk. II., London, 167, with verses by Thomas D'Urfey, beginning. "In January last, on Munnonday at Morn." The manuscript, known as the Leyden MS., belonged to the celebrated Dr. John Leyden. It is written in tablature for the Lyra-viol, and in 1847 George F. Graham made a transcript of it for the Advoc tes Library in Edinburgh. Its date is uncertain, but from internal evidence, it cannot be older than 1695. It contains a number of Scottish tunes, which have been referred to in this volume.





\* This song refers to Prince Charlie's capture of Carlisle in November, 1745 The Prince entered Carlisle seated on a white charger, and preceded by one hundred pipers. In the retreat some two thousand Highlanders crossed the Esk at Longtown. The river was in flood, and took them nearly breast high. On reaching the opposite side, the pipers struck up, and the daring Highlanders danced reels and strathspeys till they were dry again. The arr, which is evidently modern, was first issued with Lady Nairne's verses about the year 1852 by Messrs. Wood & Co., Edinburgh, as a single song, with symphonies and accompaniment by Elizabeth Rainforth; a few year-later it was secured by Messrs. Paterson & sons, Edinburgh, for the second edition of the Lays from N rathearn, 1857. Whence Miss Rainforth obtained the air is unfortunately not known, but there is little doubt that it was composed to Lady Nairne's song. Miss Rainforth was a Soprano vocalist, who resided in Edinburgh about 1851-56; she was born in London in 1814, and died in Redland, Bristol, in 1877.







\* The three stanzas which we give belong to a long and very coarse Jacobite ballad, published by George Thomson and James Hogg. The Ettrick Shepherd, in his Jacobite Relics, includes the air to verses first published in Remains of Nithsdale and Galloway 80 g, 1810, p. 122. beginning:-

Princely is my luver's weed.
Bonnie laddie, Highland laddie;
In a note to this song on p. 337, he writes: "The 'Highland Laddie' is from Cromek, and is said by Allan Cunningham to have been copied from the mouth of a young girl, who learned it from au old woman, who was a Roman Catholic. There are six different airs designated, 'Highland Laddie.' This is the oldest. It was sung to a very old song, beginning:

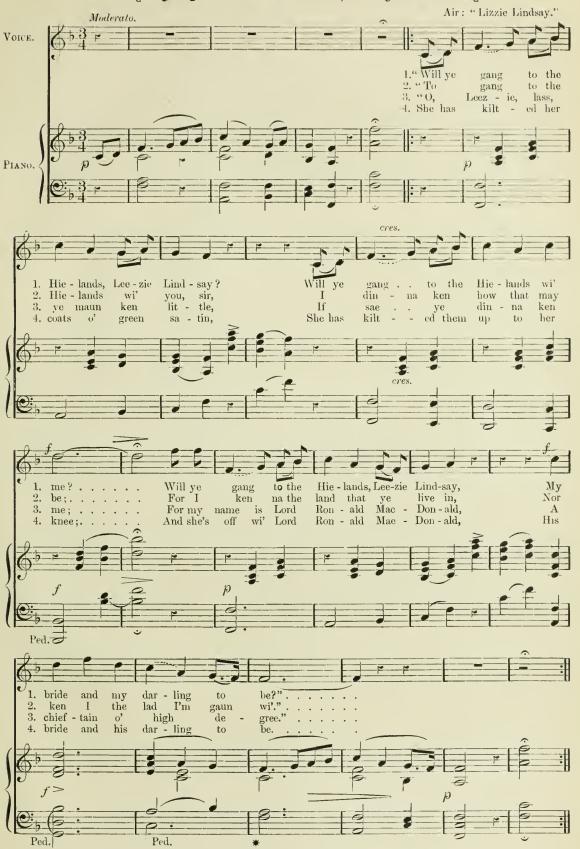
I canna get my mare ta'en,
Bonnie laddie, Highland laddie.

We be price laddie, Highland laddie.'

We be price laddie, Highland laddie.'

Hosg was correct in his remark that the air, which we give above, is the oldest "Highland Laddie"; it is evidently a modification of the old scottish tune, "The Lass of Livingston," a version of which is in Playford's Dancing-Master, 11th edition, 1701, as "Cockle-shells."

# "Mill ye gang to the Mielands, Leezie Lindsay?" \*

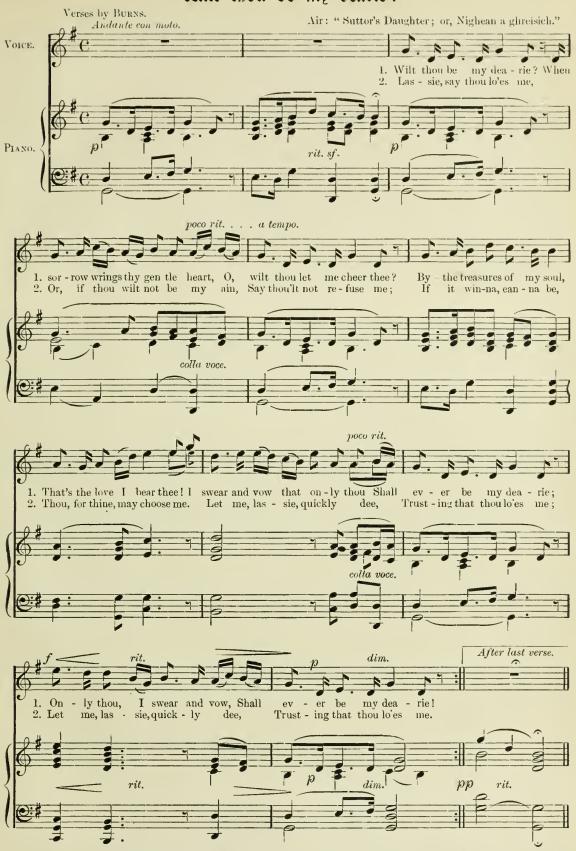


\* We have adopted Buchan's version of the air. The song is old, and seems to be a fragmentary version of the ballad given by Aytoun from Kinloch's MSS, under the title of "Donald of the Isles," and since published in many collections as "Lizzie Lindsay." The air with the first verse of the song was communicated to the Scots Musical Museum, vol. v., by Burns; it does not appear in print prior to the publication of Johnson's work.



\* This song is probably very old, and the author unknown. It appears in Ramsay's Tea-Table Miscellany, 1724, marked with the letter "Q." to denote that it is an old song with additions. In the Orpheus Caledonius, vol. ii., 1733, Thomson gives an air bearing some resemblance to the one now generally sung. It is difficult to say whether this is the original tune or not. Ritson (Scottish Songs, 1794, vol. i.) includes "Will ye go to the ewe-buchts, Marion?" in a list of songs, the exact age of which he considers very doubtful. The complete poem consists of eight verses; we have slightly allered the third line of verse 4.

# Will thou be my dearie?\*



\* This is an old strathspey tune, known by the name of "The Suttor's Daughter." It appears in Alexander M'Glashan's A Collection of Strathspey Reels, with a Bass for the Violoncello or Harpsichord, 1780, and in Gow's A Collection of Strathspey Reels, 1784; an earlier version of it occurs in Neil Stewart's A Collection of the Newest and Best Reels, 1761, as "Shoe Maker's daughter." Burns' verses were written for the fifth volume of Johnson's Scots Musical Museum, which was issued shortly after the Poet's death.

# De banks and braes.



\* The air of "Katherine Ogie," with the ballad beginning:—

As I went furth to view the plain

Upon a norning early,

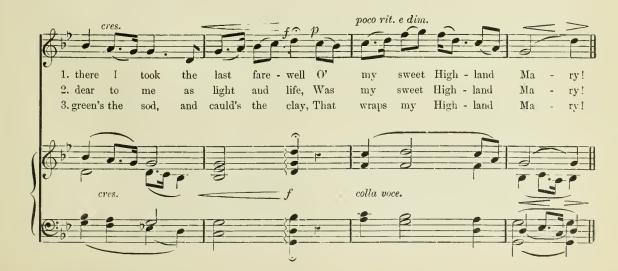
While May's sweet scent did chear my brain

From flowers which grow so early,

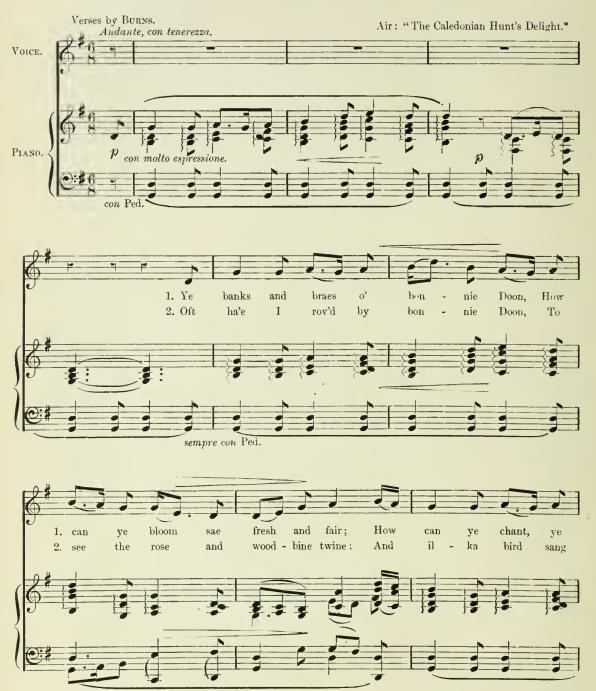
probably dates from the middle of the 17th century. It was sung by John Abell, Gentleman of the Chapel Royal, at his concert in Stationers' Hall in 1680, and shortly afterwards appeared as a single-sheet song. The claim which Mr. W. Chappell puts forward in Popular Music of the Olden Time, for the tune being English, has be en well met by Mr. John Glen, of Edinburgh. In the excellent preface to the Glen Collection of Scottish Dance Music, Mr. Glen points out that as early as 16-7, the air was published by John Playford, in his Apollo's Banquet, as "a Scotch Tune." Burns wrote the song, "Ye banks and braes," in 1792. The affecting story of Highland Mary is too well known to repeat here. The word Ogie in the Celtic, means little or young.





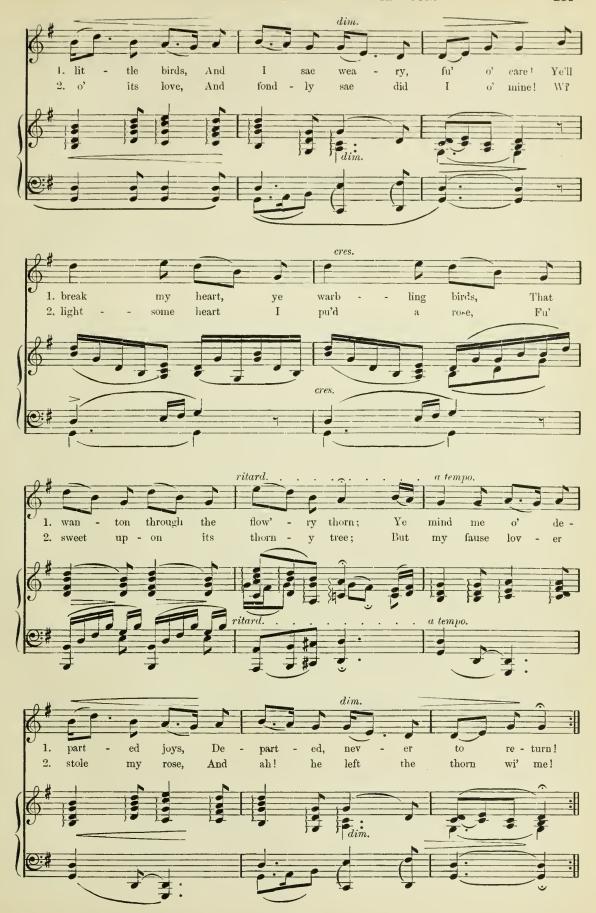


# De banks and braes o' bonnie Doon.\*



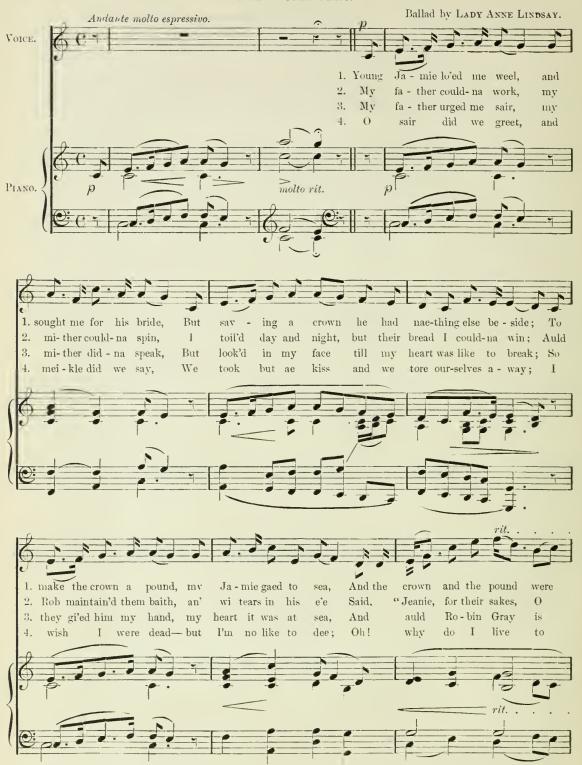
\* In a letter to George Thomson, dated Nov. 1794, Burns writes: "There is an air, 'The Caledonian Hunt's Delight,' to which I wrote a song that you will find in Johnson, 'Ye banks and braes o' Bonnie Doon'; this air, I think, might find a place among your hundred, as Lear says of his knights. Do you know the history of the air? It is curious enough. A good many years ago, Mr. James Miller, writer in your good town, a gentleman whom possibly you know, was in company with our friend Clarke; and, talking of Scottish music, Miller expressed an ardent ambition to be able to compose a Scots tune. Mr. Clarke, partly by way of a joke, told him to keep to the black keys of the harpsichord, and preserve some kind of rhythm, and he would infallibly compose a Scots air. Certain it is, that, in a few days Mr. Miller produced the rudinents of an air, which Mr. Clarke, with some touches and corrections, fashioned into the tune in question."

(See Currie's Works of Robert Burns, 1800.) Miller's air was first published in Gow's A Second Collection of Strathspey Reels, 1788, as "The Caledonian Hunt's Delight," and with Burns verses, in the Museum, vol. iv., 1792. The beautiful poem is a second version of the song composed in 1787, "Ye flowery banks o' bonnie Doon," and although in many respects inferior to the first, it has almost entirely superseded it. "The Caledonian Hunt's Delight" is another Scottish air, which Mr. Chappell, in Popular Music of the Olden Time claims as English, on the ground that it resembles "Lost is my quiet," an air published in Dale's Collection of English Songs (undated, but probably circa 1785-90). For a decisive answer to this absurd statement we must refer the reader to Mr. Glen's interesting preface to the Glen Collection of Scottish Dance Music, Edin., 1891.

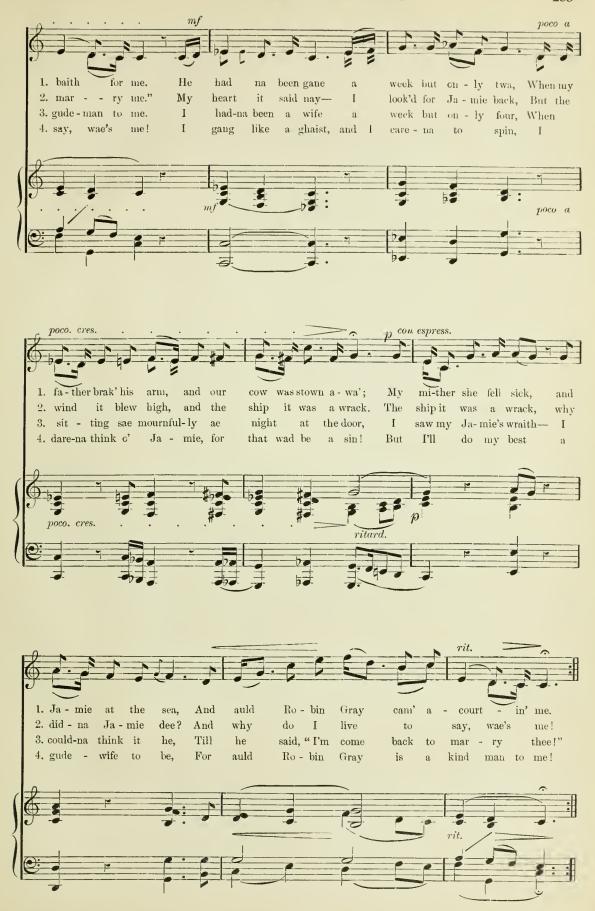


# Young Jamie lo'ed me weel.

AULD ROBIN GRAY.\*



\* Lady Anne Lindsay, the eldest daughter of the Earl of Balcarres, was born in December, 1750. In 1772 she wrote her celebrated ballad to an apparently old tune, which Burns (Reliques, p. 273) says was form rhy called "The Bridegroom greets when the sun gangs donn." and which, we may mention, is either the original, or another version of the airs "My luve's in Germanie," and 'Hame, hame, hame." This setting, however, has been entirely superseded by the one given above, which was composed by an English clergyman of the name of William Leves, Rector of Wrington, in Some-resthire. Mr. Leves first published his air, adapted to Lady Anne's verses, in a little book entitled, Six Nacred Airs or Hymns, intended as a Sanday-evening's Recreation. London. S. Birchall, 1812, in the preface of which the author asserts his claim to the melody, and allodes to its surreptitions appearance in print. Certainty the reverend gentleman had reason to complain, as his air was secured by more than one publisher at an early date. Preston published it about 1780, with variations for the piano, and both air and ballad are printed in The Vocal Enchantress, London, 1783. In 1785 it was published by Longinan and Broderip in The Favourite Dance of Robin Gray. Performed at the king's Theatres, and in the following year by Elliot in Calliope, or the Muscal Miscellany. The ballad is to be found in Wilson's Mus cal Miscellany, Edin., 1773, and in Croft's novel, Love and Madness, 1780. Lady Anne died in 1825; she only acknowledged the authorship of "Auld Robin Gray" towards the close of her life.



# Unith the Loorgeen, O'bce.\* Gaelic BOAT SONG.



\* From The Cellic Lyre, by kind permission of the Editor, Mr. Henry Whyte. This is a popular boat-song, frequently sung by rowers. keeping time with their oars. It belongs to the West Coast of Scotland.

# GLOSSARY.

#### A

A', all. A, an.
Aback, away, aloof.
Abeigh, at a shy distance.
Abeit, alleit
Aboon, above, up.
Abread, abroad, in sight. Ae, one. Aff, off; Aff-loof, unpremeditated. Afore, before. Aft, oft. Alt, oft.
Aften, often.
Agley, off the right line; wrong.
Alblins, perhaps. Ain, own. Airt, corner, direction. Aiver, an old horse. Aizle, a hot cuider. Ajee, ajar, half open. Akwart. awkward. Alake, alas. Alane, alone. Amaist, almost Amang, among. Ambry, cupboard. An', and; if. Ance, once. Ane, one. Anent, over against. Anither, another. Asklent, asquint; aslant. Asse, ashes. Asteer, abroad; stirring. Athart, athwart.
Aught, possession.
Auld lang syne, olden time, days
of other years. Auld, old. Auld, old.
Ava, at all.
Awa', away.
Awee, a short time.
Awfu', awful.
Awn, owing.
Ayont, beyond.

#### В

Ba', ball. Backets, ash-boards. Bad, bade Baide, endured, did stay. Bairn, a child, Baith, both. Bane, bone. Bang, to beat; to strive. Bardie, diminutive of bard. Barele, diminutive of bar Barefit, barelooted. Barley - bree, beer, so whiskey. Barmie, of, or like barm. Batch, a crew, a gang. Baudrons, a cat. sometimes Bauld, bold. Bawbee, a half-penny. Bawkee, a nan-penny.
Bawk, bank.
Bawsand, a white spot on the
forehead of a horse.
Be, to let be; to give over; to cease. Bear, barley.
Beastie, diminutive of beast.
Beet, to add fuel to fire.
Beld, bald.

Belyve, by and by.

Ben, into the spence or parlour; a spence. Benlomond, a noted mountain in Dumbartonshire. Bent, field. Benk, a book Bicker, a kind of wooden dish; a short race. a short race.
Bide, bear; endure; remain.
Bie, or Bield, shelter
Bieu, wealthy; plentiful.
Bigg, to build.
Biggin, building; a house.
Biggit, built.
Bigonet, a linen cap.
Bill, a bull.
Bing, to bow, curtsey. Bill, a bull.
Bing, to bow, curtsey.
Bing, a heap of grain, potatoes, &c.
Bink, a bench beside the fire.
Birk, birch.
Birken - shaw, Birchen - woodshaw, a small wood.
Birkle, a young fellow.
Birled, to share; to toss up.
Bit, crisis; nick of time.
Bizz, a bustle; to buzz.
Bladderskate, an indiscreet
talker. talker.

Blastie, a shrivelled dwarf; a term of contempt.

Blastit, blasted.

Blate, bashful; sheepish.

Blathrie, talking nonsense.

Blaud, a flat piece of anything; blaud, a nat piece of anything; to slap. Blaw, to blow; to boast. Bleer, blear, inflame. Bleert and blin', bleared and blind. blind.
Bleeziug, blazing,
Blether, to talk idly; nonsense.
Blether, to talk idly; nonsense.
Blethrin, talking idly.
Blink, a little while; a smiling
look; to look kindly; to shine.
Blinkin, smirking.
Bluart, the bilberry.
Bluid, blood
Bodle, a small gold coin.
Bogles, spirits, loobgoblins.
Bole, hole; recess.
Bonnie, or Bonny, handsome;
beautiful.
Bonnock, a kind of thick cake of Bonnock, a kind of thick cake of bread; a small jannock, or loaf made of oatmeal. Borrows toun, the county town. Borrows toun, the county town.
Bothy, a private whiskey-still
Bourtree, the elder-bush or tree.
Bousing, drinking.
Bow-kail, cabbage.
Bowt, bended; crooked.
Breatone fews. Brackens, ferns. Brae, a declivity; the slope of a hill. Braid, broad. Brak, broke. Brash, a sudden illness. Brash, a sudden illness.
Brats, coarse clothes, rags; childreu.
Braw, fine, handsome.
Brawly, or brawlie, very well.
finely; leartily.
Braxie, smoked flesh of sheep
which die on the hills.
Breastit, did spring up or for-

ward.

Breckau, fern. Brect, an invulnerablo or irre-sistible spell. Breeks, brecches. Brent, smooth. Brewin, brewing. Brewin, brewing.
Brie, juice, liquid.
Brig, a bridge
Brisket, the breast, or bosom.
Brither, a brother.
Brogue, a hum; a trick.
Broo, broth; liquid; water.
Broose, broth; a race at country
weddings, who shall first reach
the bridegroom's house on returning from church. turning from church. Bruilzie, a broil, a fight. Brulyie, see Bruilzie. Brume or broom, a kind of shrub. Brunstane, brimstone.
Brunt, did buru, burnt.
Brust, to burst; burst.
Bught, a pen in which the ewes are unlacd. Bughtin-time, the time of collecting the sheep in the pens to be milked. Burdies, diminutive of birds. Burgonet, a helmet. Burn. water; a rivulet. Burnie, diminutive of burn. Busk, dress; v. to dress. Buskie, bushy. Buskit, dressed. Buss, bush. Buss, shelter. Buss, a bustle; to bustle.
But, with; without.
Butt an' ben, the country kitchen
and parlour.
Byde, remain; wait.
Byde, a bachive. Byke, a bee-hive Byre, a cow-stable; a sheep-pen.

#### C

Ca', to call; to name; to drive. Ca't, or ca'd, called; driven; calved. caived.
Cadgely, cheerfully.
Cadger, a carrier.
Cadie, or Caddie, a person; a
young fellow.
Caff, chaff. Caird, a tinker. Cairn, a loose heap of stones. Callan, a loss chap of sortes.

Callan, a boy.

Caller, fresh; sound; refreshing.

Canach, a species of long grass.

Canie, or canne, gentle; mild;

cautious; dexterous.

Cankered, angry. Cankered, angry.
Cannilie, dexterously; gently.
Cantie, or canty, cheerful, merry.
Careerin, cheerfully.
Carle, an old man.
Carlin, a stout old woman.
Carry (the), the firmament.
Cartes, cards.
Caudron, a cauldron.
Cauk an keel, chalk and red clay.
Cauld, cold.
Caup, a wooden drinkingsvascel. Caup, a wooden drinking-vessel. Chanter, a part of a bagpipe. Chap, a person, a fellow; a blow-

Chaup, a stroke; a blow. Cheekit, cheeked. Cheep, a chirp; to chirp Chiel, or cheel, a sly fellow. Chimla, or chimlie, a fire-grate; a fire-place. a fire-place.
Chimla-lug, the fireside.
Chockin', choking.
Chow, to chew, cheek-for-chow;
side by side. side by side. Clachan, a small village about a church; a hamlet. Clag, a fault or failing. Claise, or claes, clothes. Claith, cloth. Chithing clething. Claithing, clothing. Claivers, nonsense; not speaking sense. Clarkit, wrote.
Clash, an idle tale, the story of the day. Clatter, to tell idle stories; an idle story.
Claught, snatched at, laid hold of. Clavers, idle stories. Clavers, idle stories.
Cleed, to clothe.
Cleed, clothes
Cleekit, h wing caught.
Clinkin', jerking; clinking.
Clishmaclaver, idle conversation.
Clock, to hatch; a beetle.
Clockin, hatching.
Clootie, an old uame for the
Devil.
Clout, patch. Clout, patch. Cluds, clouds. Coaxin. wheedling. Coble, a fishing boat.
Cockernony, a lock of hair tied
upon a girl's head; a cap. upon a garra acces, Coft, bought.
Cog, a wooden dish.
Coggie, diminutive of cog.
Coff, cap; head-dress.
Coof, a blockhead; a ninny. Coost, cavr.
Coot, the ankle or foot.
Corbies, a species of the crow.
Cotter, the inhabitant of a cothouse or cottage. Conls, coals. Couthie, kind; loving. Cove, a cave. Cowp, to barter; to tumble over; a gang.
Cowpit, tumbled.
Cozie, snug.
Cozily, snugly.
Crabbit, crabbed; fretful. Crack, conversation; to converse. Crackin, conversing. Craft, or croft, a field near a house (in old husbandry).

Craig, throat.
Craiks, incessant cries or calls;
a bird.
Cramasie, crimson.
Cramasie, that foot.

Cranreuch, hoar frost.
Crap, a crop; to crop.
Craw, the crowing of a cock; a rook.

Creel, a basket; to have one's wits in a creel, to be crazed; to be fascinated.

Creepie-stool, or cutty-stool, the

stool of repentance.

Crood, to coo. Croon, a hollow and continued moan; to hum a tune. moan; to hum a tune.
Crooning, humming.
Crouse, cheerful; courageous.
Crousely, cheerfully; courageously.
Crowdie, a composition of oatmeal and boiled water, sometimes from the broth of beef, mutton, &c. Crummock, a cow with crooked

horns. Cuif, a blockhead, a niuny. Cuist, cast.

Cummock, a short staff with a crooked head. Curchie, a courtesy. Curler, a player at a game on the ice, practised in Scotland, called curling Curling, a well-known game on

the ice

Curpiu, the crupper.
Cushat, the dove, or wood-pigeon.
Cutty, short; a spoon broken in
the middle.

## D

Daff, to sport. Daffin, merriment; foolishness. Daft, merry, giddy; foolish. Dainty, pleasant; good-humoured; agreeable. Darklins, darkling. Daud, to thrash; to abuse. Daug, overcome. Daur, to dare. Daurt, dared. Daut, caress.
Dawd, a large piece.
Dawtit, or dawtet, fondled, ca-Dawtit, or dawtet, fondieu, ressed.
Dearies, diminutive of dears.
Deave, to deafen.
Dight, to wipe.
Ding, to crush, depress.
Dink, neat; tidy; trim.
Dinna, do not.
Dirdum, noisy weyation. Dirdum, noisy vexation. Dirk, a highland dagger. Dirl, a slight tremulons stroke or pain.
Doite i, stupified.
Dolt, stupified; crazed. Donsie, unlucky.
Dool, sorrow; to sing dool, to lament, to mourn. Doos, doves.
Dorty, saucy; haughty.
Douce, or douse, sober; wise;
prudent. prudent.
Doughtna, do not.
Doure, stont; durable; sullen; stubborn.
Dousely, soberly; prudently.
Dow, am or are able; can; a dove.
Dowff, or dowf, pithless; wanting force; exhauted; dull.
Dowie, worn with grief; fatigue, &c.; half asleep, tiresome.
Downa, am or are not able; cannot. not. not.
Draigle, to soil by trailing; to draggle among wet, &c.
Drap, a drop: to drop.
Drapping, dropping.
Dree, snfler; lose. Pree, siner; lose.

Preep, to oze; to drop.

Dreigh, tedious; long about it.

Dribble, drizzling.

Drift, a drove. Drone, part of a bagpipe.
Dronkit, wet.
Dronth, thirst; drought.
Dromly, or drummilie, muddy.
Drummock, meal and wat
mixed in a raw state. water Drury, treasure. Dub, a small pond. Duddie, ragged. Duds, rags; clothes. Dule, grief. Dung, worsted; pushed; driven. Dunted, beaten. Dwining, pining away.

#### Ε

E'e, the eve. Een, the eyes. E'enin, evening. Eerie, frightened; dreading spiEild, old age. Ellouck, the elbow. Eldritch, ghastly: frightful. Eneugh, or eneuch, enough. Ettle, to try; to attempt.

#### F

Fa', fall; lot; to fall. l'a's, does fall; water-falls. Fae, a foe. Faem, foam. Faiket, unknown. Fain, inclined; desire to embrace, or be embraced.
Fairin, a fairing; a present.
Fand, did find.
Farl, a cake of oaten bread, &c.
Fash, trouble, care; to trouble; to care for.
Fasht, troubled.
Fauld, a fold; to fold. Fause, false. Faut, fault. Faute, want; lack Fearfu', frightful. Fear't, frightened. Feat, neat; spruce. Fecht, to fight. Fechtin', fighting. Fecklin, ngitting. Feckless, puny; weak: silly. Feckly, weakly. Fee, wages.
Feg, a fig.
Fen, successful struggle; fight.
Fend, to live comfortably.
Fere, friend; companion.
Ferlie, or ferley, to wonder; a
wonder; a term of contempt.
Fey, fatality.
Fidgin', restless, uneasy.
Fiel, soft; smooth.
Fient, fiend; a petty oath.
Fier, sound, healthy; a brother;
a friend. Fee. wages. a friend. Fit, a foot. Fleech, to supplicate in a flattering manner.
Fleech'd, supplicated.
Fleechin, supplicated.
Fleechin, supplicating.
Fleg, a kick; a random blow.
Flether, to decoy by fair words. Flether, to decoy by fair words. Fletherin, flattering, Fley, to scare; to frighten. Flittering, fluttering; vibrating. Flunkie, a servant in livery. Flyte, to scold. Foord, a ford. Forbra besides Forbye, besides. Forfairn, distressed; worn ont; jaded. jaded.
Forgather, to meet; to encounter.
Forgie, to forgive.
Forpet, a Scottish measure.
Fother, fodder.
Fou, full; drunk.
Foundry, a polecat.
Fouth, plenty; enough, or more than enough.
Fow, a bushel, &c.; also a pitch-Fow, a bushel. &c.; also a pitchfork.
Frae, from; off.
Fraise, cajoling discourse. France, cajoling discourse, Frammit, strange; estranged from; at enmity with. Freath, froth. Frien', friend Fu', full Fyke, trifling cares; to be in a fins about trifles. Fyle, to soil; to dirty. Fyl't, soiled; dirtied.

#### G

Gab, the mouth; to speak boldly; to talk nonsense. Gaberlunzie, a beggar's wallet. Gaberlunzie-man, a beggar.
Gae, to go; gaed, went; gaen,
or gare, gone; gaun, going.
Gaet, or gate, way; manner: road. road.
Gain, suffice.
Gait, way; manner; road.
Gang, to go; to walk.
Gar, to make; cause.
Gar't, forced to. Gashin, conversing. Gaucy, jolly; large. Gaud, see Jad.

half-witted; Gawky. foolish: rouping; ungraceful.
Gear, riches; goods of any kind.
Geck, to loss the head in wantonness or scorn. Gee, sullen temper, to sulk. Geordie, a guinea. Ghaist, a gliost. Gie, to give; gied, gave; gien, given.
Giftie diminutive of gift. Gittle, diminutive of gift.
Gin, if, against.
Girn, to griu; to twist the features in rage, agony, &c.
Glaikit, inattentive; foolish.
Glaizie, glitteriug; smooth like glass.
Gleck, sharp; ready.
Gleg, ditto.
Gleib, glebe. Glen, a dale, a deep valley. Glent, to peep; to shine. Gley, a squint; to squint; a gley, off at a side, wrong. off at a side, wrong.
Glint, to peep.
Glinted, peeped.
Glintin, peeping.
Gloamin', the twilight.
Glowr, to store, to lock; a stare,
a look. Glowred, looked, stared. Gowan, daisy.
Gowd, gold.
Gowff, the game of golf; to strike
as the club does the ball at golf. Gowk, a cuckoo; a term of contempt; a fool.
Gowl, to howl.
Grane, or grain, a groan; to groan.

Grat, wept, shed tears.

Gree, to agree; to bear the gree,
to be decidedly victorious. Greet, to shed tears, to weep. Greetin, crying, weeping. Grippet, caught, seized. Grumphie, a sow. Grunzie, mouth. Grup, the bridle or rein.
Grushie, thick; of thriving
growth.
Gude, the Supreme Being; good.
Guid, good.
Guide'en, good evening.
Guidman and guidwife the Guidman and guidwife, the master and mistress of the hou e; young guidman, a man newly married. Guid-morning, good-morning. Guid-willie, liberal; cordial. Gully, or gullie, a large knife. Gumlie, muddy. Gutcher, grandfather.

#### н

Ha', hall. Ha'-Bible, the great bible that lies in the hall. Haddeo, the stocking of a farm or house. Ha'e, to have. Haen, had. Haet, fight haet, a petty oath of negation. Haggis, a kind of pudding boiled in the stomach of a cow or Haight, see Hecht. Hain, to spare; to save. Hain'd, spared. Haith, a petty oath. Haivers, nonsense; speaking without thought. Hale, whole: tight; healthy. Hallan shaker, a beggarly knave. Halv, holy. Hallownas, Hallow-e'n, the 31st of October. Hame, home. Hamely, homely; affable. Han', hand. Han, an outer garment, mantle, plaid &c.; to wrap, to cover; to hop. Harkit, hearkened. Hastit, hastened. Hand, to hold. Haughs, low-lying, rich lands; valleys. Havriu, talking foolishly. Hawkie, a cow, properly one with a white face. Hawse, to embrace. Hawse-bane, the ueck.

Heapit, heaped. Hech! oh! strange Hecht, promised; to foretell some-thing that is to be got or given; foretold; the thing foretold; offered. Heigh, high. Heigh, nigh.
Herd, to tend flocks; one who
tends flocks,
Herrin', a herring.
Herry, to plunder; most properly to plunder birds' nests.
Het, hot. Heigh, a crag, a steep place. Hilty-skilty, thoughtlessly; playful. Hiney, honey. Hing, to hang. Hirple, to walk feebly; to creep. Hirplin, limping. Hizzie, a hussy, a young girl. Hizzie, a hussy, a young girl.
Hoastin, coughing.
Hool, the outer skin or case, the
shell.
Hoolie, slowly; leisurely.
Hoolie, take leisure; stop.
Hornie, one of the many names
of the devil.
Houlet an ovl Houlet, an owl.
Housie, diminutive of house.
Howe, hollow; a hollow or dell.
Howff, a tippling house; a house Howfi, a tippling house; a house of resort.
Howk, to dig.
Howkit, digged.
Howkin, digging.
Howlet, an owl.
Howns, vallets, or riversides.
Hurklin', crouching.
Husswyfskip, household affairs, housewifeship.

Healsome, healthful, wholesome.

I, in.
Ilk, or ilka, each; every.
Ill-willie, ill-natured; malicious; niggardly.
lugle, or ingle-neuk, fire; fire-place.
Ise, I shall, or will. Ither, other; one another.

#### J

Jad. jade; also a familiar term among country folks for a giddy young girl. Jag, raw leather. Jauk, to dally, to trifle. Jaukin, trifling, dallying. Jaupit, bespattered. Jaw, coarse raillery; to pour out; to shut. to slut.
Jee, move; change.
Jeel, jelly.
Jimp, to jump; slender in the
waist; handsome.
Jink, to dodge, to turn a corner: a sudden turning; a corner.

Jinker, that turns quickly; a
gay, sprightly girl; a wag.

Jinkin, dodging, gambolling. Jo, sweetheart.
Jouk, to stoop, to bow the head.

#### K

Jow, peal.

Kae, a daw. Kail, a kind of broth. Kane, comb.
Kebbuck, a cheese.
Keckle, to giggle; to titter.
Keek, a peep, to peep. Keil, paint.
Kelpies, a sort of mischievous spirits, said to haunt fords and ferries at night, especially in storms. Ken, to know; kent, or keun'd, Ken, to know; kent, or keun q, knew.
Kent, shepherd's staff.
Kepp, to catch.
Kilt, to truss up the clothes.
Kimmer, a young girl, a gossip, a neighbour (commère, French).
Kin, kindred; kin', kind, adj.
Kirn, the harvest supper; a churn.

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Kirsen, to christen, or baptize. Kirtle, an upper garment Kist, a chest; a shop counter. Kith, kindred. Kittle, to tickle; ticklish; lively, Apt.
Kitthin, a young cat.
Knowe a small round hillock.
Knurl, a dwarf. Kurtch, a linen cap. Kye, cows. Kyle, a district in Ayrshire.

Laddic, diminutive of lad. Laigh, low. Lairing, wading, sinking in snow, Lairing, wading, sinking in snow, mud, &\*.
Laith, loath.
Laithfu', bashful, sheepish.
Lambie, diminutive of lamb.
Lambie, diminutive of lamb.
Lame, cripple.
Lane, lone; my lane, thy lane, &e., myself alone, &e.
Lanely, lonely.
Lanely, lonely.
Lang, long; to think lang, to long, to weary.
Lap, did leap.
Lauch, law; privilege.
Lave, the rest, the remainder, the others. others. Laverock, the lark Lawlan, lowland. Leal, loyal, true, faithful. Lea-rig, grassy ridge. Lear (pronounce lare), learning. Lee-lang, live-long. Leesone, pleasant. Leeze-mc, a phrase of strong endearment. Lengh, did langh. Leuk, a look; to look. Libbet, gelded. Libbet, gelded.
Lift, the sky, the firmament.
Lightly, sneeringly; to sneer at.
Lilt, a ballad; a tunc; to sing.
Limmer, a kept mistress.
Limp't, limped, hobbled.
Link, to trip along.
Linkin, tripping.
Lann, a waterfall; a precipice.
Lint, flax; lint i' the bell, flax
in flower.
Lintie; a linet in flower.
Lintie, a linnet.
Lintwhite, a linnet.
Loof, the palm of the hand.
Loorgeen, a sailing vessel.
Loot, did let.
Looves, plural of loof.
Loun, a fellow, a ragamuffin.
Loun, input, learn Loup, jump, leap.
Lowe, or low, a flame.
Lowin, flaming.
Lowpin, leaping. Lowse, to loose. Lows'd, loosed. Lun, the chimney.
Lunt, a column of smoke; to smoke.

#### M

Luntin, smoking.

Mae, more. Mailen, a farm.
Mairt, nore.
Mairt, nost, almost.
Maist, nost, almost.
Maistly, mostly.
Mak', to make.
Makin', making.
Mang, among.
Manse, the parsonage house, where the minister lives.
Marled, variegated; spotted.
Marmalete, marmalade.
Maud, maad, a plaid worn by shepherds, &c.
Maukin, a hare.
Maun, must.
Mavis, the thrush.
Maw, to mow. Mailen, a farm. Maw, to mow. Maw, to mow.
Mawin', mowing.
May, maid.
Meikle, meickle, much.
Men', to mend.
Midden, a dunghill.
Midden-hole, a gutter at the bottom of a dunghill.
Mlm, prim, affectedly meek.

Min', mind; resemblance. Mind't, mind it; resolved, in-tending. Minuie, mother, dam. Mirk, mirkest, dark, darkest. Misca', to abuse, to call names. Misca'd, abused. Mislear'd, mischievous; unman-Mither, a mother. Mony, or in aile, many. Moorlan', of, or belonging to moors. Morn, the next day, to-morrow. Mou', the mouth. Moudiwort, a mole. Monsie, diminutive of mouse. Muckif, cleaned. Muckle, or mickle, great, big, much. Murlain, a fish basket. Muslin-kail, broth, composed sim-ply of water, shelled barley, and greens. greens. Mutch, a linen hood. Mutchkin, an English pint. Mysel', myself.

#### N

Na, no, not, nor. Nae, no, not, any. Naething, or nattring, nothing. Naething, or naitring, nothing.
Naig, a horse,
Nane, none.
Nappy, ale; to be tipsy.
Negleckit, neglected.
Neuk, a nook.
Niest, next.
Nieve, the first.
Nieveful, handful.
Niffer, an exchange; to exchange;
to barter. to barter. Niger, a negro. Nit, a nut. Norland, of, or belonging to the north.
Notic't, noticed.
Nowte, black cattle.

#### 0

O', of, O'ercome, se? Owreword. O haith, O faith! an exclama-Ony, or onie, any.
Or, is often used for ere, before, Ora, or orra, supernumerary, that can be spared. can be spared.
O't. of it.
Ouk, a week.
Ourie, shivering; drooping.
Oursel, or oursels, ourselves,
Outlers, cattle not housed.
Ower, over; too.
Owre-lnip, a way of fetching a
blow with the hammer over the arm. Owreword, the strain of a song, the thenie. Owsen, oxen.

### P

Pack, intimate, familiar; twelve Pack, intimate, familiar; twelve stone of wool.
Paidelt, waded or walked back-wards and forwards.
Painch, paunch.
Paitrick, a partridge.
Pang, to cram.
Pappit, popped.
Parle steech. Parle, speech. Parlins, see Pearlins. Parritch, porridge (a well-known Scotch dish). Scotch dish).
Pat, did put; a pot.
Patitle, or petitle, a plough-staff.
Paughty, proud, haughty.
Pauky, cunning, sly.
Pawky, see Pauky.
Pay't, paid; beat.
Pearlins, ornaments of lace.
Pech, to fetch the breath short, as in asthma.

Pechan, the crop, the stomach.

Peelin', peeling, the rind
fruit. Pelf, money, worldly goods. Pet, a domesticated sheep, &c.

Pettle, to cherish; a plough-staff. Philibegs, the kilt worn by the Highlanders. Phraise, fair speeches, flattery; to flatter. to thatter.
Phraishn, flatfery.
Pitroch, a Highland war tune
for the bagpipe.
Pickle, a small quantity.
Pine, pain, uncashess.
Pit, to put.
Placad, a public proclamation.
Plack, an old Scotch coin, the
third part of a Scotch penny,
twelve of which make an English neuty. lish penny. Plackless, penniless, without money. Platie, diminutive of plate. Plante, duminitive of plate.
Pleuch, see Plew.
Plew, or plengh, a plough.
Pliskie, a trick.
Poind, to seize cattle or goods
for reat, as the kaws of Scotland allow.
Poortith, poverty.
Pou, to pull.
Pouk, to plack.
Poussie, a larre, or cat.
Part a pull to all index. Pout, a poult, a chick. Pou't, did pull. Pow, the head, the skull. Pownie, a little horse, a pony. Powther, or pouther, powder. Powthery, like powder. Preen, a pin.
Preut, to print; print.
Prie, to taste.
Prie'd, tasted. Prief, proof. Prig, to cheapen; to dispute. Prig, to cheapen; to dispute.
Priggin, cheapening.
Prinsie, denure; precise.
Propone, to lay down, to propose.
Provost, Mayor.
Puddock-stool, a mushroom, fungus. Puirtith, see Poortith Pund, pound; pounds.
Pyle,—a pyle o' caff, a single husk of chaff.

#### Q

Quak, to quake. Quat, to quit. Quey, a heifer.

#### R

Rair, to roar. Raize, to madden, to inflame. Rain - feezl'd, fatigued; over-

Raible, to rattle nonsense.

spread. Ram-stam, thoughtless, forward. Rant, talk, recite. Raploch, a coarse cloth; coarse. Rarely, excellently, very well. Rash, a rush; rash-buss, a tuft of rushes. Rattou, a rat. Raucle, rash; stout; fearless. Raught, reached. Raw, a row. Rax, to stretch. Ream, cream; to cream. Reaming, brimful, frothing. Reave, rove. Reck, to take heed. Reck, to take heed.
Rede, comsel; to counsel.
Red-wat-shod, walking in blood
over the shoe-tops.
Red-wud, stark mad.
Ree, half drunk, fuddled.
Reek smoke.
Reekin, smoking.
Reekit, smoked; smoky. Reektl, smoked; smoky. Remead, remedy. Requite, requited. Rest, to stand restive. Restit, stood restive; stunted; withered. Particited restricted withered.
Restricked, restricted.
Rew, to repent, to compassionate.
Richt - gude - willie - waught, a
draught with right good will.
Rieber, robber.
Rief, reef, plenty.
Rief randies, sturdy beggars.
Rig, a ridge.

Rigwiddie, rigwoodie, the rope or chaln that crosses the saddle of a horse to support the shafts of a cart; spare, withered sap-Rin, to run, to melt; rlunin, running.
Rink, the course of the stones;
a term in curling on ice.
Rip, a handful of unthreshed

Riskit, to make a noise like the tearing of roots.
Rockin, spinning on the rock, or distaff.
Rokelay, a short cloak.
Rood, the fourth part of an acre. Roon, a shred, a border or sel-

vage. Roose, to praise, to commend.
Roosty, rusty.
Roun', round, in the circle of neighbourhood.

neighbourhood.
Roupet, hoarse, as with a cold.
Routh, plenty.
Row, to roll, to wrap.
Row't, rolled, wrapp ed.
Rowte, to low, t - bellow.
Rowth, or routh, plenty.
Rowtin, lowing
Rozet read.

Rowtin, lowing Rozet rogin. Rung, a endgel. Runkled, wrinkled. Runt, the stem of colewort or cabbage. Ruth, sorrow. Ryke, to reach.

S

Saft, soft. Sair, to serve: a sore. Sairly, or sairlie, sorely.

Sae, so.

Sairly, or saine, solely.
Sairly, served.
Sark, a shirt; a shift.
Sarkit, provided in shirts.
Saugh, the willow. Saul, soul. Saumont salmon. Saunt, a saint.
Saut, salt, adj. salt.
Saw, to sow.
Sawin, sowing. Sawt, see Saut scaith, to damage, to injure. injury.
Scar, a cliff.
Scaud, to scald.
Scauld, to scold. Scaur, apt to be scared.
Scaur, a scold; a termagant.
Scone, a thin wheaten cake.
Sconner, or scunner, a loathing; Sconner, or scunner, a loathing; to loathe.
Scraich, to scream as a hen, partridge, &c.
Screed, to tear; a rent.
Scrieve, to glide swiftly along.
Scrievin, gleesomely; swiftly.
Scrimpt to stint.
Scrimpt did scant; scanty. Secd, sax.

Sell't, did sell. Sen', to send.
Sen't, 1, &c. sent, or did send
it; send it
Servan', servant.
Settlin, settling; to get a settlin,
to be frightened into quietness
Sate sets of goes near Sets, sets off, goes away. Sey, a home-made woollen stuff. Shachled distorted; shapeless. Shard, a shred, a shard.

Seizin, seizing. Sel, self: a body's sel, one's self

alone.

Shauchle, distort. Shaver, a humorous wag; a bar-

Shaver, a humorous wag, a bobber.
Shaw, to show; a small wood in a hollow.
Sheen, shoes.
Sheen, bright, shining.
Sheep-shank; to thin < one's self nae sheepshank, to be conceited.
Sherra moor. Sheriff-moor,—the

Sherra moor, Sheriff-moor,—the famous battle fought in the rebellion, A.D. 1715
Shengh, a ditch, a trench, a sluice. Shiel, a shed Shill, shrill.

Shog, a shock; a push off at one side.

Shool, a shovel.
Shoon, shoes.
Shore, to offer, to threaten.
Shor'd, offered.
Shouther, the shoulder.
Shure, did shear, shore.
Sic, such.
Sicker, sure, stendy.
Sidelins, sidelong, slanting.
Siller, silver; mouey.
Simmer, summer.
Sin a son. Sin, a son. Sin', since. Sin', since.
Skaith, see Scaith.
Skaithless, unharmed.
Skeigh, proud, saucy.
Skeip, to strike, to slap.
Skiegh, or skeigh, proud, nice, high-mettled. mgn-mettied. Skirl, to shriek, to cry shrilly. Skirlling, shrieking, crying. Skirl't, shrieked. Skleut, slant; to run aslant, to devi te from truth. devi te from truth.
Skleuted, ran, or hit, in an oblique
direction.
Skouth, freedom to converse without restraint; range, scope.
Skriegh, a scream; to scream.
Skyrin, shining; making a great
show.
Slae, a sloe. Slae, a sloe.
Slayer, doors, gates.
Slaver, saliva; to emit saliva.
Slaw, slow.
Slee, sly; sleest, slyest.
Sleekit, sleek; sly.
Sliddery, slippery.
Slypet, fell.
Smad, small.
Smiddy, a smithy.
Smoor, to smother.
Smoor d, smothered.
Snaw, snow; to snow. Snaw, snow; to snow. Sneck, snick, the latch of a door. Sueeshin, snuff. Snell, sharp, piercing. Snish.n, see Sneeshin. Snood, a ribbon for binding the hair. nair.
Sonsie, or sonsy, sweet, engaging;
lucky, jolly.
Soom, to swim.
Sooth, truth; a petty oath.
Sough, a heavy sigh, a sound
dying on the ear. Souk, to drink, to suck. Sous, to drink, to suck.
Souter, a shoemaker.
Southron, southern; an old name
for the English nation.
Sowens, a di-h made of oatmeal;
the seeds of oatmeal soured,
&c., flummerv.
Sowp, a spoo ful, a small quantity of anything liquid. tity of anything liquid.
Soy, material.
Spae, to prophesy, to divine.
Sparena, not hesitate.
Speat, or spate, a sweeping torrent, after rain or thaw.
Speel, to climb.
Spence, the country parlour.
Spier to ask to income. Spier, to ask, to inquire. Spier't, inquired. Spring, a quick tune; a Scottish reel.

Spunk, fire, mettle; wit.

Spunkie, mettlesome, fiery; willo-the-wi-p, or ignis aluus.

Squad, a crew, a party. Squeel, a scream, a screech; to scream. scream.
Stane, a stone.
Stark, stout.
Steek, to close.
Steer, stir, commotion.
Stent, tightened.
Stents, tribute; dues of any kind.
Stey, steep; steyest, steepest.
Stirk, a cow or bullock a year old.
Stock, a plant or root of colewort, cabbage, &c.
Stockin, a stocking.
Stooks, stacks of coru, &c.

Stoor, sounding hollow, strong, and hoarse.
Stoun, pang.
Stoun, pang.
Stoup, or stowp, a kind of jug or dish with a handle.
Stonre, dust, more particularly dust in motion.
Stown, stolen.
Strae, straw.
Straik, did strike.
Straiki, did strike.
Straiki, fault.
Straked, clasped.
Strath, district.
Strappan, tail and handsome.
Streek, stretched, tight; to stretch.
Sturt, trouble; to molest.
Sturt, trouble; to molest.
Sturt, trouble, a whit, a glance.
Sud, should.
Sugh, the continued rushing noise of wind or water.
Swat, did sweat.
Swat, drink, good ale.
Sweer, or sweir, lazy, averse; dead-sweer, extremely averse.
Swinge, to beat, to whip.
Swirle, a curve; an eddying blast or pool; a knot in wood.
Swirlie, knaggie, full of knots.
Swith, get away.
Swither, to hesitate in choice; an irresolute wavering in choice.
Swoor, swore, did swear.
Syne, since, ago; then.

# Tackets, a kind of nails for driv-

ing into the heels of sh es. Tae, a toe; three-taed, having

three prongs.
Tak, to take; takin, taking.
Tangle, a sea-weed.
Tap, the top. Tap, the top.
Tapetless, heedless, foolish.
Tapsalteerie, topsy-turvy.
Tauld, or tald, told.
Teat, a small quantity. Tedding, spreading after the mower. Teen, to provoke; provocation. Tent, heed, caution; to take Tent, heed, caution; theed, tentie, heedful, cautious. Tenties, heedless. Tengh, tough, Thack, thatch Thae, these. Thairns, small guts; strings hddlestrings.
Thankit, thanked.
Theekit, thatched.
Thegither, together Themsel, themselves, Thieveless, a cold demeanour; spiteful, repelling. Thir, these, Thirl, to thrill. Thirled, trilled, vibrated. Thole, to suffer, to endure. Thowless, slack, lazy, spiritless. Thrang, throng; a crowd
Thrapple, throat, windpipe.
Thraw, to sprain, to twist; to
contradict. Threap, to maintain by dint of assertion. Threshin, threshing. Threteen, thirteen Thretty, thirty. Thristle, thistle. Through, to go on with; to make Thud, to make a loud intermittent noise. Thumpit, thumped Thysel, thyself Till't, to it. Timmer, timber.

Tine, to lose.
finkler, a tinker.
fint, lost.
Tint the gate, lost the way.
Tippence, twopence.
Tirl, to make a slight noise; to uncover.
Tirlin, uncovering.
Tittler, the other.
Tirlin, uncovering.
Tittler, to whisper.
Tocher, marriage portion, dowry.
Tod, a fox.
Toddle, to totter, like the walk of a child.
Toddlin, tottering.
Tooly, fight contend.
Toom, empty, to empty.
Toun, a hamlet; a farm-house.
Tow, a rope.
Towzie, rough, shaggy.
Toy, a very old fashion of female headdress.
Trickie, full of tricks.
Trickie, full of tricks.
Tring, spruce, neat.
Trimly, excellently.
Trowth, truth, a petty oath.
Trysted, appointed; to tryste, to make an appointment.
Tulzie, a quarrel, to quarrel, to fight.
Twa, two.
Twal, twelve.
Twin, to part.
Tyke, a dog.

#### U

Unco, strange, uncouth; very, very great, prodigious.
Uncos, news.
Unkenn'd, unknown.
Unsicker, unsure, unsteady.
Unskaith'd, undamaged, unhurt.
Upo', upon.

#### V

Vera, very. Virl, a ring round a column, &c. Vittle, corn of all kind; food.

#### w

Wa', wall; wa's, walls.
Wab, web.
Wab, web.
Wabster, a weaver.
Wad, would; to bet; a bet, a pledge.
Wadna, would not.
Wae, wo; sorrowful.
Waefu', woful, sorrowful, wailing.
Waes me! alas! O the pity.
Wal'd, chose, chosen.
Wale, choice; to choose.
Wale, choice; to choose.
Wale, or waly, ample, large, jolly; also an interjection of distress.
Walloch, a dance.
Wallop, dangle, thrash.
Wane, the belly, womb.
Wamefu', a belly-full.
Wark, work.
Warl, or warld, world.
Warlock, a wizard.
Warly, worldly, eager on amassing wealth.
Warrant, a warrant; to warrant.
Warsti'd, or warsi'd, wrestled.
Wat, wet; i wat, i wot, i know.
Water-brose, soup made of meal and water simply, without the addition of milk, butter, &c.

Wattle, a twig, a wand.
Wauble, to swing, to reel.
Waught, a draught.
Waukit, thickened, as fullers do cloth.
Waukite, wakeful, sleepless.
Waukite, wakeful, sleepless. Waukrife, wakeful, sleepless.
Waur, worse; to worst.
Waur't, worsted.
Wean, or weanie, a child.
Wean, or gather in cautiously.
Wearie, or weary; many a weary
body, many a different person.
Wee, little wee things, little
ones; wee bit, a small matter.
Weel, well; weelfare, welfare.
Weel, rain, wetness.
Weir, see Wear. Weird, fate. We'se, we shall. Wha, who. Whare, where; whare'er, wherever. Whase, whose. Whatreck, nevertheless. Whilk, which.
Whingin, crying, complaining, fretting.
Whirligigums, useless ornaments, Whirligngums, useless ornaments, trifling ap, endages.
Whisht, silence; to hold one's whisht, to be silent.
Whisk, to sweep, to lash.
Whiskit, lashed.
Whissle, a whistle; to whistle.
Wi, with.
Wicker, willow (the smaller sort).
Wicker, daminutive or endearing Wiel, a small whirlpool.
Wifie, a diminutive or eudearing
term for wife.
Wimple, to meander.
Wimplin, waving, meandering.
Wimpl't, meandered.
Win, to win, to winnow,
Winna, will not.
Winnock, a window.
Winsome, handsome, pleasing. Winsome, handsome, pleasing, gay. Wizen'd, hide - bound, dried, shrunk. Won, dwell. Woo', wool. Woo, to court, to make love. Worset, worsted. Wow, an exclamation of pleasure or wonder. or wonder.
Wrack, to teaze, to vex.
Wraith, a spirit, or ghost; an apparition exactly like a living person, whose appearance is said to forebode the person's approaching death.
Wrang, wrong; to wrong.
Wreth, a drifted heap of snow.
Wud, mad, distracted.
Wumble, a wimble.
Wyle, to beguile.
Wyle, cunning, artful.
Wyte, blame; to blame

#### Υ

Yad, an old mare; a worn out horse.
Ye; this pronoun is frequently used for thou.
Yearlings, born in the same year, coevals
Yearn, earu; an eagle, an ospray; to long.
Yerk, to lash, to jerk.
Yerkin, jerked, lashed.
Ye'se, you shall.
Yestreen, yesternight.
Yett, a gate, such as is usually at the entrance into a farmyard or field.
Yill, ale.
Yird, earth.
Yont, beyond.
Yoursel, yourself.
Yowe, a ewe.
Yowie, diminutive of yowe.