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SONGS OF THE NORTH.

IPREFACE.)

THE chief object that the editors of this volume have had in view has been to gather together in an agreeable and singable form a collection of Scottish and Highland Songs, not familiar for the most part to the many enthusiastic admirers of the minstrelsy of Scotland. They have also been fortunate enough to secure pictures by many leading artists, illustrating the subject matter of the lyrics.

That there should be any unity of time, place, or motive in the selection thus made the very nature of the subject precludes. Songs greatly dissimilar in character and in point of antiquity, and hailing from widely different localities, are here found side by side, because, out of an almost inexhaustible wealth of material, they were considered most worthy to be known to the many as they have hitherto been to the few. A certain proportion of the songs, notably some of the Highland ones, are here written down, it is believed, for the first time, and their presence is due to the good fortune of one or other of the editors in meeting with them among friends in different parts of Scotland. It will be seen that in some cases words in the Lowland Scottish language that either had no tunes or tunes unworthy of them, have been set to old Highland melodies, a proceeding which, though it might possibly be objected to by purists, has been generally acknowledged as admissible since Burns set the example. In a few instances new words have been written for melodies whose words have been lost, and in two or three songs only the melodies themselves are new.

In arranging the music for vocal purposes, care has been taken that it shall come within the compass of other than the phenomenal voices most compilers of Scottish national songbooks seem to have had in view. It has often been complained that few musicians can sing Scottish Ballads well, and there is a strong presumption that this is not so much due, as is usually supposed, to the difficulties which the idiom of the language and the peculiar genius of the music present to strangers, as to the fact that the keys have often been injudiciously chosen, and that too much has been left to the discretion of the singer, who was furnished with ad libitum arrangements which only a few performers possess the instinct to deal with properly. Accordingly, in the present instance, the time and mode have been distinctly marked, so that everyone can sing and play the music exactly as it is written

A little thought will at once show that in setting for the pianoforte airs which were originally intended for the harp, the violin, or the pipes, it is impossible to reproduce exactly the genius of the older instrument in dealing with the one most available to the modern musician; but care has been taken that as near an approach should be made to the original harmonies as the nature of the pianoforte will admit without making the music totally unsuited to the latter instrument.

As regards the literary side of the work, there are such abundant sources to which the curious may apply for information about the poetry and music of Scotland that it has been thought out of place to hamper this volume with copious explanatory notes. Where possible the name of the author has been added both to words and music, but notes have been limited to those which were in any particular case absolutely necessary to explain the subject and motive of the song.

Besides being printed underneath the musical notation, the words have been given upon a separate page, because in many instances it seemed a pity not to give in its entirety a fine old ballad as such, while a shorter edition of the same was more suitable for singing. The threefold nature of the book has thus been preserved, and melody, poem, and picture are presented in a form that does full justice to each individual art.

Among many kind friends who have given the assistance of their literary talent, a debt of gratitude is owing to my dear friend, the late Principal Shairp, of St. Andrew's, for the words of two songs, "The Bush aboon Traquair," and "Culloden Muir," in the former of which he has so aptly enshrined the subtle charm of the Borderland, and in the latter rendered so truthfully the deep passionate spirit of the Highlands. Professor Blackie's

translations from the Gaelic speak for themselves, and the Rev. A. Stewart, LL.D., "Nether, Lochaber," has not only freely given the fruits of his genius in the same field, but has been the means of obtaining several Highland songs that have not before appeared in print.

Words reprinted from other editions are acknowledged with thanks in their proper place.

Finally, if by the publication of "Songs of the North" even a few fresh favourites are added to the already rich treasure house of Scotland's songs, the pleasant task of the editors will be amply rewarded.

H. B.





PREFACE

TO THE

SECOND EDITION

OF

SONGS OF THE NORTH.



THE great favour with which this collection of Scotch songs has been received, and the rapid sale of the whole of the first impression, have encouraged the compilers to issue a second edition, from which, with the exception of Mr. Sandys' beautiful illustration of "Proud Maisie," retained as a frontispiece, the pictures are omitted. It has thus become possible to produce the Songs at a price that will place the work within the reach of a far

greater number of the public than an édition de luxe like the first could hope to touch. If the present issue meets with anything like the same measure of success that attended their former venture, the editors will have good reason to be satisfied.



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Glenlogie.

I.

GLENLOGIE.

Old Scottish Ballad.

Arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





^{*}Melody taken from Marce's Collection of Genuine Scottish Melodies, by permission of the publisher Robert Marer, Glasgow.

Cepyright.



GLENLOGIE.

HREESCORE o' nobles rade to the King's ha',
But bonnie Glenlogie's the flower o' them a',
Wi' his milk-white steed, and his bonnie black e'e,
"Glenlogie, dear mither, Glenlogie for me."

"O haud your tongue, dochter, ye'll get better than he.'
"O say na sae, mither, for that canna be.
Though Drumlie is richer and greater than he,
Yet if I maun wed him I'll certainly dee."

"Where will I get a bonnie boy to win hose and shoon, Will gae to Glenlogie and come again soon?"

"O here am I, a bonnie boy, to win hose and shoon, Will gae to Glenlogie and come again soon."

When he gaed to Glenlogie 'twas "Wash and go dine,"
'Twas "Wash ye my pretty boy, wash and go dine."
"O'twas ne'er my father's fashion and it ne'er shall be mine
To gar a lady's errand wait till I dine;

But there is, Glenlogie, a letter for thee."
The first line he read a low smile gi'ed he,
The neist line he read the tear blindit his e'e,
But the last line he read he gart the table flee.

"Gae saddle the black horse, gae saddle the brown, Gae saddle the swiftest steed e'er rade frae toun." But lang ere the horse was brocht round to the green, O bonnie Glenlogie was twa mile his lane.

When he cam' to Glenfeldy's door sma' mirth was there, Bonnie Jean's mither was rivin' her hair. "Ye're welcome, Glenlogie, ye're welcome," said she, "Ye're welcome, Glenlogie, your Jeanie to see."

Pale and wan was she when Glenlogie gaed ben, But red rosy grew she whene'er he sat doun; She turned awa' her head, but the smile was in her e'e, "O binna feared, mither, I'll maybe no dee."

Old Scottish Ballad



Joy of my Heart.

('STU MO RUN)

II.

JOY OF MY HEART.

('STU MO RUN.)

Words by
Dr. Robert Couper of Fochabers.

Old Highland Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





JOY OF MY HEART.

('stu mo run.)

ED, red is the path to glory,

Thick you banners meet the sky,

O my Geordie, death's before ye,

Turn and hear my boding cry.

Joy of my heart, Geordie agam,

Joy of my heart, 'stu mo run.

Turn and see thy tartan plaidie
Rising o'er my broken heart,
O my bonnie Highland laddie
Sad am I with thee to part.

Joy of my heart, Geordie agam,
Joy of my heart, 'stu mo run.

Dr. Robert Couper, of Fochabers, 1799.



The Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond.

III.

LOCH LOMOND.

Old Scottish Song.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





THE BONNIE BANKS O' LOCH LOMOND.

Y yon bonnie banks and by yon bonnie braes,
Where the sun shines bright on Loch Lomon',
Where me and my true love were ever wont to gae,
On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomon'.

O ye'll tak' the high road and I'll tak' the low road, And I'll be in Scotland afore ye, But me and my true love will never meet again On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomon'.

Twas there that we parted in yon shady glen, On the steep, steep side o' Ben Lomon', Where in purple hue the Hieland hills we view, And the moon coming out in the gloamin'.

> O ye'll tak' the high road and I'll tak' the low road, And I'll be in Scotland afore ye, But me and my true love will never meet again On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomon'.

The wee birdies sing and the wild flowers spring, And in sunshine the waters are sleepin'; But the broken heart it kens nae second spring again Though the waefu' may cease from their greetin'.

> O ye'll tak' the high road and I'll tak' the low road, And I'll be in Scotland afore ye, But me and my true love will never meet again, On the bonnie, bonnie banks o' Loch Lomon'.

> > Old Scottish Song.



O can ye sew Cushions?

(A CRADLE SONG.)

IV.

O CAN YE SEW CUSHIONS.

(CRADLE SONG.)

Old Scottish Song.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





O CAN YE SEW CUSHIONS?

(A CRADLE SONG.)

CAN ye sew cushions?

And can ye sew sheets?

And can ye sing ballaloo

When the bairnie greets?

And hie and baw birdie,

And hie and baw lamb,

And hie and baw birdie,

My bonnie wee lam

Heigh O, heugh O, what'll I do wi' ye? Black 's the life that I lead wi' ye; Mony o' ye, little to gie ye, Heigh O, heugh O, what'll I do wi' ve.

Now hush-a-baw lammie, And hush-a-baw dear, Now hush-a-baw lammie, Thy minnie is here. The wild wind is ravin', Thy minnie's heart 's sair, The wild wind is ravin' And ye dinna care.

Heigh O, heugh O, &c.

Sing ballaloo lammie,
Sing ballaloo dear,
Does wee lammie ken
That its daddie 's no here?
Ye're rockin' fu' sweetly
On mammie's warm knee,
But daddie 's a rockin'
Upon the saut sea.

Heigh O, heugh O, &c.

Old Scottish Song



Skye Boat Song.

(JACOBITE.)

V.

SKYE BOAT SONG.

*)(JACOBITE.)

Words by
HAROLD BOULTON.

Old Highland rowing measure arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.



^{*)} This song illustrates an episode in the wanderings of Prince Charlie in the winter of 1745-6, when he made his escape from the net his enamies had spread for him, by putting out to sea with Flora Macdonald and a few devoted Highland boatmen in a rising storm, an example which his pursuers, though well provided with boats, did not venture to imitate.

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SKYE BOAT SONG.

(JACOBITE.)

Onward, the sailors cry,

Carry the lad that 's born to be king

Over the sea to Skye.

Loud the winds howl, loud the waves roar,
Thunder-clouds rend the air;
Baffled, our foes stand by the shore;
Follow, they will not dare.
Speed, bonnie boat, &c.

Though the waves leap, soft shall ye sleep:
Ocean 's a royal bed;
Rocked in the deep, Flora will keep
Watch by your weary head.

Speed, bonnie boat, &c.

Many 's the lad fought on that day Well the claymore could wield, When the night came silently lay Dead on Culloden's field.

Speed, bonnie boat, &c.

Burned are our homes, exile and death Scatter the loyal men, Yet ere the sword cool in the sheath Charlie will come again.

Speed, bonnie boat, &c.

HAROLD BOULTON



This is no my Plaid.

VI.

THIS IS NO MY PLAID.

Traditional Air arranged by Words by MALCOLM LAWSON. W. HALEY. REFRAIN

p cres. Rather fast. Voice. This is no plaid, plaid, plaid, my my my This plaid, bon - nie though the co_lours be. isno my cres. Fine



THIS IS NO MY PLAID.

HIS is no my plaid, my plaid, my plaid,

This is no my plaid, bonnie though the colours be.

The ground 'o mine was mixed wi' blue,

I got it frae the lad I lo'e,

He ne'er has gie'n me cause to rue,

And O! my plaid is dear to me.

But this is no my plaid, my plaid, my plaid,

This is no my plaid, bonnie though the colours be.

My plaid was silken, saft and warm,

It wrapt me round frae arm to arm,

And like himsel' it had a charm,

And O! my plaid was dear to me.

But this is no my plaid, my plaid, my plaid,

This is no my plaid, bonnie though the colours be.

The lad that gied 't me lo'ed me weel, He lo'ed me maist as weel 's himsel', And though his name I daurna tell, Yet o' my plaid is dear to me.

> But this is no my plaid, my plaid, my plaid, This is no my plaid, bonnie though the colours be.

> > W. HALEY



Helen of Kirkconnel.

VII.

HELEN OF KIRKCONNEL.

Old Scottish Ballad.

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.

Refrain sung first, and at the end of each verse.





HELEN OF KIRKCONNEL.

WISH I were where Helen lies,
Night and day on me she cries;
O that I were where Helen lies
On fair Kirkconnel lea!

Curst be the heart that thocht the thocht, And curst the hand that fired the shot, When in my arms burd Helen dropt And died to succour me.

O think na ye my heart was sair
When my love dropt and spak' nae mair?
There did she swoon wi' meikle care
On fair Kirkconnel lea.

As I gaed down the water side, None but my foe to be my guide, None but my foe to be my guide On fair Kirkconnel lea,

I cross'd the stream, my sword did draw I hack'd him into pieces sma, I hack'd him into pieces sma' For her sake that died for me.

O Helen chaste, O Helen fair, I'll mak' a garland o' your hair Shall bind my heart for evermair, Until the day I dee.

Would that my grave were growing green, A winding sheet drawn o'er my e'en, And I in Helen's arms lyin' On fair Kirkconnel lea.

I wish I were where Helen lies, Night and day on me she cries, And I am weary of the skies Since Helen died for me.

Old Scottish 'Ballad



Willie's gane to Melville Castle.

VIII.

WILLIE'S GANE TO MELVILLE CASTLE.

Old Scottish Song.

Scottish Air arranged by
MALCOLM LAWSON.





WILLIE'S GANE TO MELVILLE CASTLE.

WILLIE 's gane to Melville Castle,
Boots and spurs an' a',
To bid the leddies a' fareweel
Before he gaed awa'.
Willie 's young and blithe and bonnie,
Lo'ed by ane an' a',
O what will a' the lasses do
When Willie gangs awa'?

The first he met was Lady Kate, She led him through the ha', And wi' a sad and sorry heart She loot the tear-drop fa'. Beside the fire stood Lady Grace, Said ne'er a word ava; She thocht that she was sure o' him Before he gaed awa'.

Then ben the house cam' Lady Bell, "Gude troth ye need na craw, Maybe the lad will fancy me, And disappoint ye a'."

Doun the stair tripped Lady Jean, The flower amang them a', "O lasses trust in Providence An' ye'll get husbands a'."

When on his horse he rade awa'
They gathered round the door,
He gaily waved his bonnet blue,
They set up sic a roar,
Their cries, their tears brocht Willie back,
He kissed them ane an' a',
"O lasses bide till I come hame
And then I'll wed ye a'."

Old Scottish Ballad.

Proud Maisie.

IX.

PROUD MAISIE.









PROUD MAISIE.

ILLUSTRATED BY FRED SANDYS.

ROUD Maisie is in the wood,
Walking so early,
Sweet Robin sits on the bush,
Singing so rarely.

"Tell me, thou bonnie bird, When shall I marry me?"
"When six braw gentlemen
Kirkward shall carry ye."

"Who makes the bridal bed?
Birdie, say truly."

"The grey-headed sexton
That delves the grave duly.

The glow-worm o'er grave and stone
Shall light thee steady.
The owl from the steeple sing
Welcome, proud lady.'"

SIR WALTER SCOTT.



"How can ye gang, Lassie?"

X.

HOW CAN YE GANG LASSIE.

Old Scottish Ballad.

Traditional Air arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





"HOW CAN YE GANG. LASSIE?"

HOW can ye gang, lassie?

How can ye gang?

O, how can ye gang sae to grieve me?
Wi' your beauty and your art
Ye hae broken my heart,
For I never, never thocht 'ye wad leave me."

"O, how could ye think, Jamie,
How could ye think,
O, how could ye think that I lo'ed ye?
For its O and I lo'e ane,
But I daurna tell his name,
And I never, never meant to deceive ye."

"Then how could ye look, Jeannie,
How could ye look?
And what when your e'en met mine, lass?
For wi' sorrow in my heart,
And the tears in my e'en,
I maun down to the grave loving thee, lass."

Scottish Song.



Fair Young Mary.

(MAIRI BHAN OG.)

XI.

FAIR YOUNG MARY.

(MAIRI BHAN OG.)

Words by
A. C. Magleod.

Old Highland Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





FAIR YOUNG MARY.

(MAIRI BHAN OG.)

HAIRI bhan og, my ain only dearie,
My winsome, my bonnie wee bride,
Let the warld gang and a' the lave wi' it
Gin ye are but left by my side.
The lark to its nest, the stream to the ocean,
The star to its home in the west,
And I to my Mary, and I to my darling,
And I to the ane I lo'e best.

Time sall na touch thee, nor trouble come near thee.
Thou maunna grow old like the lave,
And gin ye gang, Mary, the way o' the weary,
I'll follow thee soon to the grave.
A glance o' thy e'en wad banish a' sorrow,
A smile, and fareweel to a strife,
For peace is beside thee, and joy is around thee,
And love is the light o' thy life.

A. C. MACLEOD.



The Boatman.

(FEAR A BHATA.)

XII.

THE BOATMAN.

(FEAR A BHATA.)

Words translated from the Gaelic by Thomas Pattison,

Old Highland Melody arranged by Maluolm Lawson.





^{*} Fhir a bhata (pronounced: Ear a vata,) means: "O Boatman". Na horo eile is merely a call.

THE BOATMAN.

(FEAR A BHATA.)

OW often haunting the highest hilltop,

I scan the ocean thy sail to see;

Wilt come to-night, love? wilt come to-morrow?

Wilt ever come, love, to comfort me?

Fhir a bhata, na horo eile,
Fhir a bhata, na horo eile,
Fhir a bhata, na horo eile,
O fare ye well, love, where'er ye be.

They call thee fickle, they call thee false one,
And seek to change me, but all in vain;
No, thou'rt my dream yet throughout the dark night,
And every morn yet I watch the main.

Fhir a bhata, &c.

There 's not a hamlet—too well I know it—Where you go wandering or stay awhile,
But all its old folk you win with talking,
And charm its maidens with song and smile.

Fhir a bhata, &c.

Dost thou remember the promise made me, The tartan plaidie, the silken gown, The ring of gold with thy hair and portrait? That gown and ring I will never own.

Fhir a bhata, &c.

Translated from the Gaelic by Thomas Pattison,



Doun the Burn Davie.

XIII.

DOUN THE BURN DAVIE.

Words by
Robert Crawford.

Old Scottish Melody arranged by

MALCOLM LAWSON.











DOUN THE BURN DAVIE.

HEN trees did bud, and fields were green,
And broom bloomed fair to see,
When Mary was complete fifteen,
And love laughed in her e'e,
Blythe Davie's blink her heart did move
To speak her mind sae free,

"Gang doun the burn, Davie lad, Doun the burn, Davie lad, Doun the burn, Davie lad, And I will follow thee."

Now Davie did each lad surpass
That dwelt on yon burnside.
And Mary was the bonniest lass,
Just meet to be a bride.
Thus Davie's blink her heart did move
To speak her mind sae free,

"Gang doun the burn, Davie lad, Doun the burn, Davie lad, Doun the burn, Davie lad, And I will follow thee.

What passed, I guess, was harmless play, And naething, sure, unmeet, For ganging hame I heard them say They liked a walk sae sweet. Since both were fain their love to own And speak their mind sae free,

"Gang doun the burn, Davie lad, Doun the burn, Mary lass, Doun the burn, my ain dear love, And aye I'll follow thee."

R. CRAWFORD, 1695



The Praise of Islay.

(MOLADH NA LANDAIDH.)

XIV.

THE PRAISE OF ISLAY.

(MOLADH NA LANDAIDH)

Words translated from the Gaelic by Thomas Pattison,

Old Highland Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





THE PRAISE OF ISLAY.

(MOLADH NA LANDAIDH.)

EE afar yon hill Ardmore,
Beating billows wash its shore;
But its beauties bloom no more
For me, now far from Islay.

O my dear, my native isle, Nought from thee my heart can wile, O my dear, my native isle, My heart beats true to Islay.

Though its shore is rocky, drear, Early doth the sun appear On leafy brake and fallow deer, And flocks and herds in Islay.

O my dear, &c.

Eagles rise on soaring wing, Herons watch the gushing spring, Heath-cocks with their whirring bring Their own delight to Islay.

O my dear, &c.

Birken branches there are gay, Hawthorns wave their silvered spray, Every bough the breezes sway Awakens joy in Islay.

O my dear, &c.

Mavis sings on hazel bough, Linnets haunt the glen below, O may long their wild notes flow With melodies in Islay.

O my dear, &c.

Translated from the Gaelic by Thomas Pattison.

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A Lyke Wake Dirge.

XV.

A LYKE WAKE DIRGE:

or chant sung by those watching over a corpse.

Old North of England words.

Music by
Harold Boulton.







A LYKE WAKE DIRGE.

(OR CHANT SUNG BY THOSE KEEPING WATCH OVER A CORPSE.)

HIS ae nighte, this ae nighte,

& verie nighte and alle,

Fire and sleete and candle-lighte,

And Christe receive thy saule.

When from hence away thou'rt past,

Everie nighte and alle,

To Whinny-muir thou comest at last,

And Christe receive thy saule.

If ever thou gavest hosen and shoon, Everie nighte and alle,
Sit thee down and put them on,

And Christe receive thy saule.

If hosen and shoon thou gavest nane,

Everie nighte and alle,

The whinnes shall pricke thee to the bare bane,

CAnd Christe receive thy saule.

From Whinny-muir when thou art past, Everie nighte and alle,
To Brigg o' Dread thou comest at last,
And Christe receive thy saule.

From Brigg 'o Dread when thou art past,

Everie nighte and alle,

To Department for those accused at least

To Purgatory fire thou comest at last, And Christe receive thy saule.

If ever thou gavest meate or drinke, Everie nighte and alle,

The fire shall never make thee shrinke, And Christe receive thy saule.

If meate or drinke thou gavest nane, Everie nighte and alle.

The fire shall burn thee to the bare bane, And Christe receive thy saule.

This ae nighte, this ae nighte,

Everie nighte and alle,

Fire and sleete and candle-lighte,

And Christe receive thy saule.

Old North of England words.



Leezie Lindsay.

XVI.

LEEZIE LINDSAY.

Old Scottish Ballad.

Traditional Air arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





LEEZIE LINDSAY.

"
Will ye gang to the Hielands, Leezie Lindsay?
Will ye gang to the Hielands wi' me?
Will ye gang to the Hielands, Leezie Lindsay,
My bride and my darling to be?"

"To gang to the Hielands wi' you, sir?

I dinna ken how that may be,

For I ken na the land that ye live in,

Nor ken I the lad I'm gaun' wi'."

"Leezie, lassie, 'tis little that ye ken,
It sae be ye dinna ken me,
For my name is Lord Ronald Macdonald,
A chieftain o' high degree."

She has kilted her coats o' green satin,

She has kilted them up to the knee,

And she's aff wi' Lord Ronald Macdonald

His bride and his darling to be.

Old Scottish Ballad.



"We will take the good old way."

(GABHAIDH SINN AN RATHAD MOR.)

XVII.

WE WILL TAKE THE GOOD OLD WAY.

(GABHAIDH SINN AN RATHAD MOR.)

Words translated from the Gaelic by the Rev. A. Stewart. L. L. D. "Nether Lochaber."

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





"WE WILL TAKE THE GOOD OLD WAY."

(GABHAIDH SINN AN RATHAD MOR.)

E will take the good old way,
We will take the good old way,
We'll take and keep the good old way,
Let them say their will, O!
Let MacIntyres say what they may,
Let MacIntyres say what they may,
We'll take and keep the good old way,
Let them say their will, O!
We will take, &c.

Up the steep and heathery ben, Doun the bonnie winding glen, We march, a band of loyal men, Let them say their will, O!

We will take, &c.

We will march adoun Glencoe,
We will march adoun Glencoe,
By the ferry we will go,
Let them say their will, O!
We will take, &c.

To Glengarry and Lochiel, Loyal hearts, with arms of steel, These will back you in the field, Let them say their will, O!

We will take, &c.

Cluny will come doun the brae,
Keppoch bold will lead the way,
Toss thine antlers, Caber Feidh,
Let them say their will, O!
We will take, &c.

Forward, sons of bold Rob Roy,
Stewarts—conflict is your joy—
We'll stand together pour le Roy,
Let them say their will, O!
We will take, &c.

Translated from the Gaelic by the Rev. A. STEWART, LL.D.—
"Nether Lochaber."



"Rest, my ain bairnie."

(A HIGHLAND CRADLE SONG.)

XVIII.

REST MY AIN BAIRNIE.

Words by
HAROLD BOULTON.

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.









"REST MY AIN BAIRNIE."

(A HIGHLAND CRADLE SONG.)

EST, my ain bairnie, lie peaceful and still,

Sleeping or waking I'll guard thee from ill.

Fair be thy body, whiter than snow,

No evil mark from the heel to the brow;

No ghost shall fright thee, nought shalt thou fear,

I'll sing them a charm that none may come near.

Then rest my ain bairnie, &c.

Eerily gathers the mist on Ben Shee,

Coldly the wind sweeps in from the sea,

But terror and storm may come east or come west,

Warm will my birdie bide in the nest.

Then rest my ain bairnie, &c.

Fresh as the heather thy boyhood will bloom, Strong as the pine thy manhood will come, Flower of thy kinsmen, chief of thy cian, King of my heart, thou bonnie wee man.

Then rest my ain bairnie, &c.

HAROLD BOULTON.



My Dark-haired Maid.

(MO NIGHEAN DHU.)

XIX.

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*MY DARK HAIRED MAID.

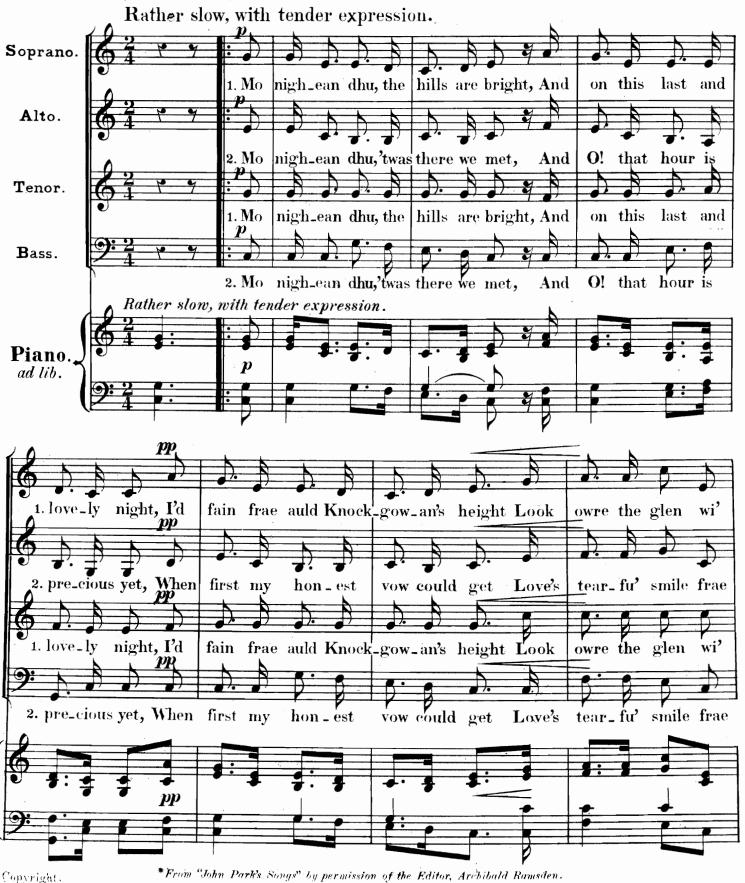
(MO NIGHEAN DHU.)

Words by the late

Old Highland Melody arranged by

Dr. John Park, of St. Andrews.

MALCOLM LAWSON.







^{*)} Looth ma chree is a Gaelic expression which means literally "culf of my heart".



MY DARK-HAIRED MAID.

(MO NIGHEAN DHU.)

O nighean dhu, the hills are bright, And on this last and lovely night, I'd fain frae auld Knockgowan's height Look owre the glen wi' thee. Never mair we'll tread its heather, Never doun the lea Liltin' will we shear thegither, Fu' o' mirth and glee. Fortune's blasts o' wintry weather Drive us owre the sea, But lang's we're blest wi' ane anither, Fie! let fears gae flee. Yet see, my dear, the hills are bright, And on this last and lovely night, I'd fain frae auld Knockgowan's height Look owre the glen wi' thee.

Mo nighean dhu, 'twas there we met, And O! that hour is precious yet, When first my honest vow could get Love's tearfu' smile frae thee. Hearts were pledg'd ere either knew it, What 's to be maun be, Mine was tint ere I could trow o't Wi' that glancing e'e. Dear Knockgowan and the view o't Ne'er again we'll see, Let me gang and tak' adieu o't Laoth ma chree, wi' thee. Mo nighean dhu, 'twas there we met, And O! that hour is precious yet, When first my honest vow could get Love's tearfu' smile frae thee.

Dr. John Park.

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A Jacobite Lament.

XX.

A JACOBITE LAMENT.

Words attributed to Captain OGILVY.

Music by
Malcolm Lawson.



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A JACOBITE LAMENT.

T was a' for our rightfu' king
We left fair Scotland's strand,
It was a' for our rightfu' king
We e'er saw Irish land, my dear,
We e'er saw Irish land.

Now a' is done that men can do,
And a' is done in vain;
My love an' native land, fareweel,
For I maun cross the main, my dear,
For I maun cross the main.

He turned him right an' round about,
All on the Irish shore,
He ga'e his bridle-reins a shake,
Wi' "Adieu for evermore, my dear,
Adieu for evermore."

The sodger frae the wars returns,

The sailor frae the main;

But I ha'e parted frae my love,

Never to meet again, my dear,

Never to meet again.

When day is gane, an' night is come,
An' a' folk boun' to sleep,
I think on him that 's far awa',
The lee-lang night, an' weep, my dear,
The lee-lang night, ar' weep.

Attributed to CAPTAIN OGILVY, 1690.



"As I gaed doun Glenmoriston."

XXI.

AS I GAED DOUN GLENMORISTON.

Words by Harolii Boulton Old Highland Melody arranged by

MALCOLM LAWSON.

MALCOLM LAWSON. HAROLII BOULTON. With great tenderness and rather slow. Voice. I gaed doun Glen_mo_ris_ton, Where 1. As 2. that sweet hour her name I'd breathe Wi' the wark is sair, years are lang, 3. Andante con espression. Piano. I las sie wa _ ters meet bout tee_ rie, saw my when the warld nocht but clouds and hills to hear me, And to life is aft - times and wea _ rie, Yet Foy_ers flood shall wae skil ... fu' hand milk _ in' Wi' kye and sang sae chee_rie. The ľď was laid watch for dawn wish her Till and near me. rest Ere love fail to fall my un _ to my dea _ rie. I cease cres.

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"AS I GAED DOUN GLENMORISTON."

S I gaed doun Glenmoriston,
Where waters meet about Alteerie,
I saw my lassie milkin' kye
Wi' skilfu' hand and sang sae cheerie;
The wind that stirred her gowden hair
Blew saftly frae the hill at even,
And like a moorland flower she looked
That lichtly lifts its head to heaven.

Frae that sweet hour her name I'd breathe Wi' nocht but clouds and hills to hear me, And when the warld to rest was laid I'd watch for dawn and wish her near me, Till ane by ane the stars were gane, The moor-cock to his mate called clearly, And daylicht glinted on the burn Where red-deer cross at mornin' early.

The years are lang, the wark is sair,
And life is aftimes wae and wearie,
Yet Foyer's flood shall cease to fall
Ere my love fail unto my dearie.
I lo'ed her then, I lo'e her now,
And cauld the warld wad be without her,
The croodlin' bairnies at her knee
And licht o' mither's love about her.

HAROLD BOULTON.



Culloden Muir.

XXII.

CULLODEN MUIR.









CULLODEN MUIR.

HE moorland wide and waste and brown Heaves far and near and up and down, Few trenches green the desert crown, And these are the graves of Culloden!

Alas! what mournful thoughts they yield, Those scars of sorrow yet unhealed, On Scotland's last and saddest field, O! the desolate moor of Culloden!

Ah me! what carnage vain was there, What reckless fury. mad despair, On this wide moor such odds to dare, O! the wasted lives of Culloden!

For them laid there, the brave and young, How many a mother's heart was wrung, How many a coronach sad was sung, O! the green, green graves of Culloden!

Here Camerons clove the red line through, There Stewarts dared what men could do, Charged lads of Athol, staunch and true, To the cannon mouths on Culloden.

What boots it now to point and tell,

—Here the clan Chattan bore them well;

Shame-maddened, yonder, Keppoch fell,

Lavish of life at Culloden?

In vain the wild onset, in vain Claymores cleft English skulls in twain, The cannon fire poured in like rain, Mowing down the clans on Culloden.

Through all the glens, from shore to shore, What wailing went! But that is o'er, Hearts now are cold that once were sore For the loved ones lost on Culloden.

Now strangers come to pry and peep Above the mounds where clansmen sleep, But what do we, their kinsmen, reap For our sires' blood shed on Culloden?

Our small farms turned to deserts dumb, Where smoke no homes, no people come, Save English hunters,—that's the sum Of what we have reaped for Culloden.

This too will pass, the hunter's deer, The drover's sheep will disappear, But when another race will ye rear Like the men that died at Culloden?

PRINCIPAL SHAIRP.



"The women are a' gane wud."

(AN ANTI-JACOBITE SONG.)

XXIII.

THE WOMEN ARE A GANE WUD.

(An Anti-Jacobite Scottish Song.)

Words Traditional.

Traditional Air arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





"THE WOMEN ARE A' GANE WUD."

(AN ANTI-JACOBITE SONG.)

HE women are a' gane wud,

O! that he had bidden awa',

He 's turned their heads, the lad,

And ruin will bring on us a';

I aye was a peaceable man,

My wife she did doucely behave,

But now, do a' that I can,

She 's just as wild as the lave.

My wife she wears the cockade,

Though she kens it 's the thing that I hate,
There 's ane too preened on her maid,
And baith will tak' the gate.
The senseless creatures ne'er think
What ill the lad will bring back;
We 'd ha'e the Pope and the De'il,
And a' the rest o' the pack.

The wild Hielan' lads they did pass,

The yetts wide open they flee,

They ate the very house bare,

And ne'er speered the leave o' me.

But when the red-coats gaed by

D' ye think they'd let them alane?

They a' the louder did cry

"Prince Charlie will soon get his ain."

Scottish Song.



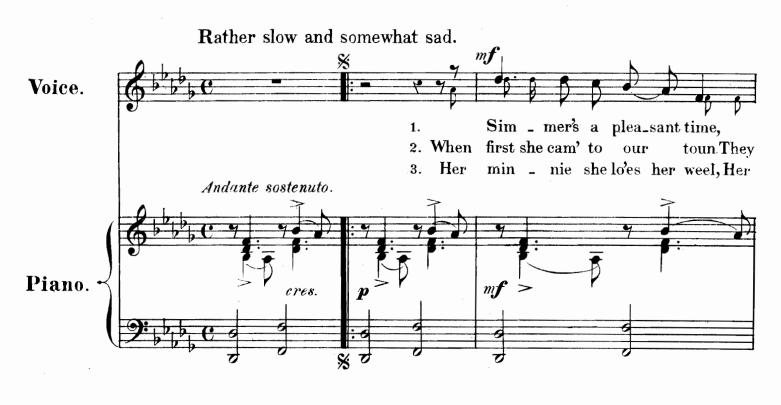
Aye Waukin' 0!

XXIV.

AYE WAUKIN' 0!

Old Scottish Song arranged by

MALCOLM LAWSON.







AYE WAUKIN' OI

Flowers of every colour;
The water rins owre the heugh,
And I lang for my true lover,

Aye waukin' O!
Waukin' aye and weary,
Sleep I can get nane
For thinkin' o' my dearie;
Aye waukin' O!

When first she cam' to our toun
They ca'd her Grace Macfarlane,
But now she 's gane awa'
They ca' her a' folks' darlin';
Aye waukin' O! &c

When I sleep I dream,
When I wake I'm eerie,
Rest I can get nane
For thinkin' o' my dearie;
Aye waukin' O! &c.

Lanely nicht comes on,
A' the lave are sleepin',
I think upon my bonnie lass
And bleer my e'en wi' greetin'.
Aye waukin' O!

Her minnie lo'es her weel,
Her daddie lo'es her better,
And I lo'e the lass mysel',
Wae 's me I canna get her;
Aye waukin' O! &c.

Old Scottish Song.



My faithful fond one.

(MO RUN GEAL DILEAS.)

XXV.

MY FAITHFUL FOND ONE.

(MO RUN GEAL DILEAS.)

(Song with Chorus.)

Words translated from the Gaelic by Professor Blackie. Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





MY FAITHFUL FOND ONE.

(MO RUN GEAL DILEAS.)

Y fair and rare one, my faithful fond one,

My faithful fair, wilt not come to me

On bed of pain here who remain here,

With weary longing for a sight of thee?

If wings were mine now to skim the brine now,

And like a sea-gull to float me free,

To Islay's shore now they 'd bear me o'er now,

Where dwells the maiden that 's dear to me.

My fair and rare one, &c.

O were I yonder with her to wander

Beneath the green hills beside the sea,
With birds in chorus that warble o'er us,
And ruth of kisses so sweet to me!

My fair and rare one, &c.

What though the sky here be wet or dry here,
With peaceful breeze here, or windy war,
In winter glooming or summer blooming
'Tis all one season, love, when thou art far.
My fair and rare one, &c.

Translated from the Gaelic by PROFESSOR BLACKIE



The Twa Corbies.

XXVI.

THE TWA CORBIES.

(Song for a low Voice.) Music by Old Scottish Ballad. MALCOLM LAWSON. Slow and in a tragical manner. Voice. Largo. Piano. dim. very smooth I As walk ing 1. was In auld..... fail 2. be. hint yon 3. His hound the hunt is to ing Ye'll sit his white..... hause 4. on Mony's for maks the him ane heard cor _ bies lane,..... mak _ ing their twa dyke,..... wot lies..... slain there new a His gane,..... hawk to fetch.... the wild fowl III And pike his bon _ nie blue bane,..... out..... But sall whar mane, nane ken he..... is



THE TWA CORBIES.

I heard twa corbies making their mane;

The tane unto the tither did say

"Whar sall we gang and dine the day?"

"In behint you auld fail dyke
I wot there lies a new-slain knight;
And naebody kens that he lies there
But his hawk and his hound and his lady fair."

"His hound is to the huntin' gane,
His hawk to fetch the wild-fowl hame,
His lady 's ta'en anither mate,
Sae we may mak' our dinner sweet."

"Ye'll sit on his white hause-bane,
And I'll pike out his bonnie blue e'en;
Wi' ae lock o' his gowden hair
We'll theek our nest whar it grows bare."

"Mony 's the ane for him mak's mane,
But nane sall ken whar he is gane;
Owre his white banes, when they are bare,
The wind sall blaw for evermair."

Old Scottish Song.



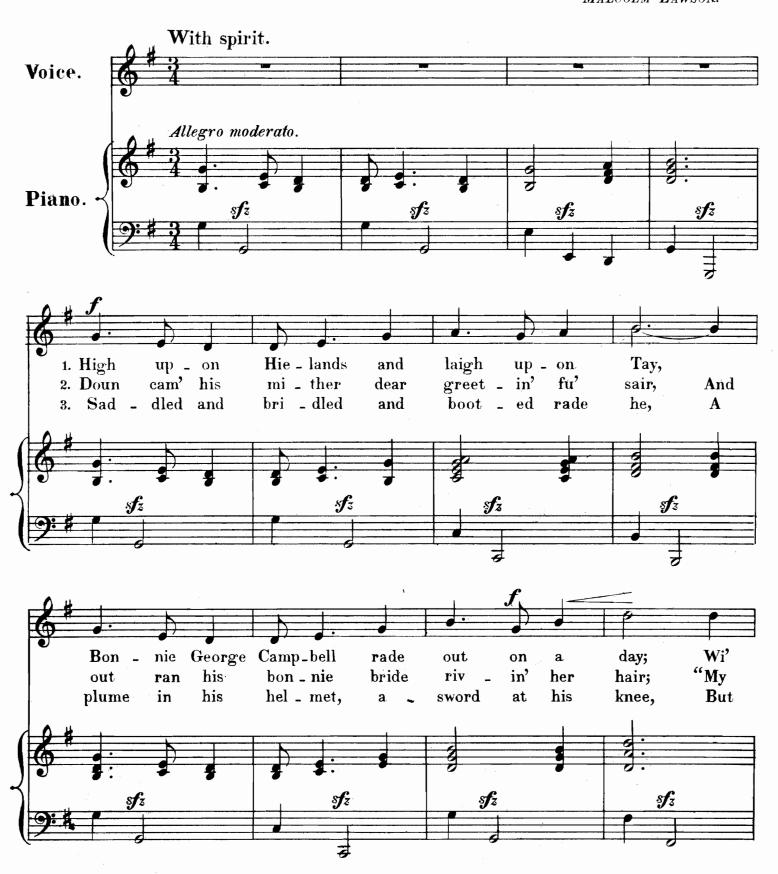
Bonnie George Campbell.

XXVII.

BONNIE GEORGE CAMPBELL.

Old Scottish Ballad

Traditional Air arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





BONNIE GEORGE CAMPBELL.

IGH upon Hielands and laigh upon Tay
Bonnie George Campbell rade out on a day,
Wi' saddle and bridle sae gallant to see;

--Hame cam' his guid horse but never cam' he.

Doun cam' his mither dear greetin' fu' sair,

And out ran his bonnie bride rivin' her hair;

"My meadow lies green and my corn is unshorn,

My barn is to bigg and my babe is unborn."

Saddled and bridled and booted rade he,

A plume in his helmet, a sword at his knee;

But toom cam' his saddle a' bluidy to see,

Hame cam' his guid horse but never cam' he.

Old Scottish Ballad.



Lament for Maclean of Ardgour.

XXVIII.

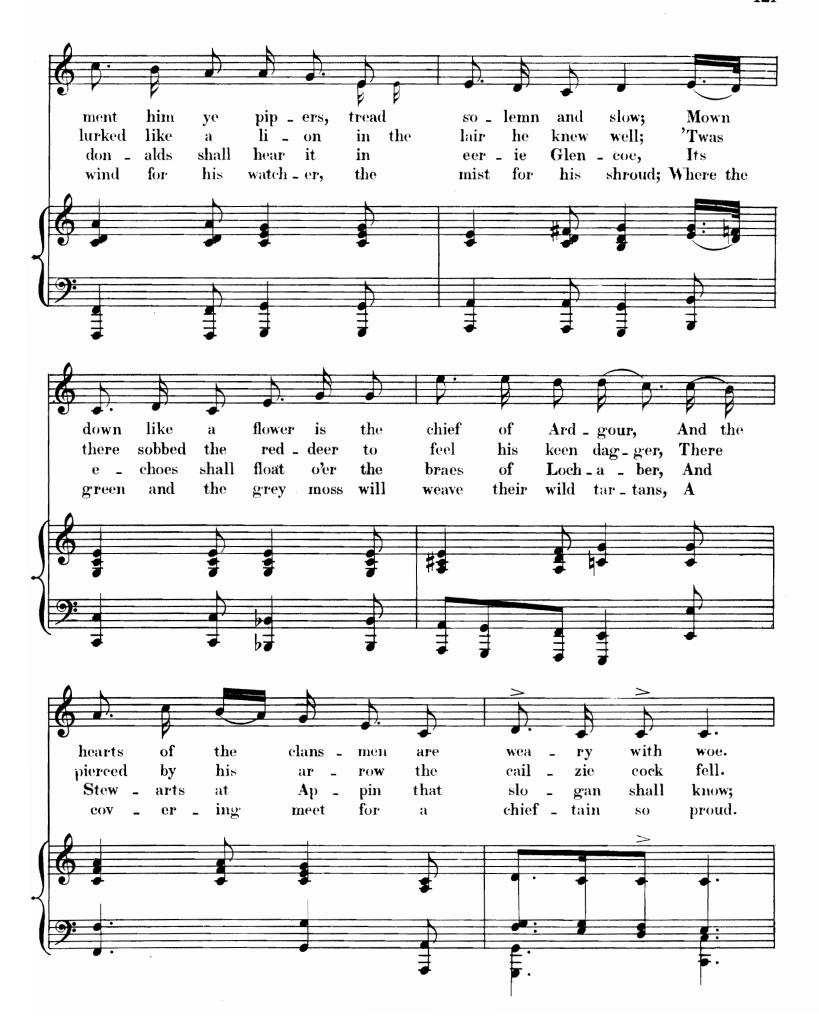
LAMENT FOR MACLEAN OF ARDGOUR.*

Words by Harold Boulton. Old Melody preserved in the Ardgour district, arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.

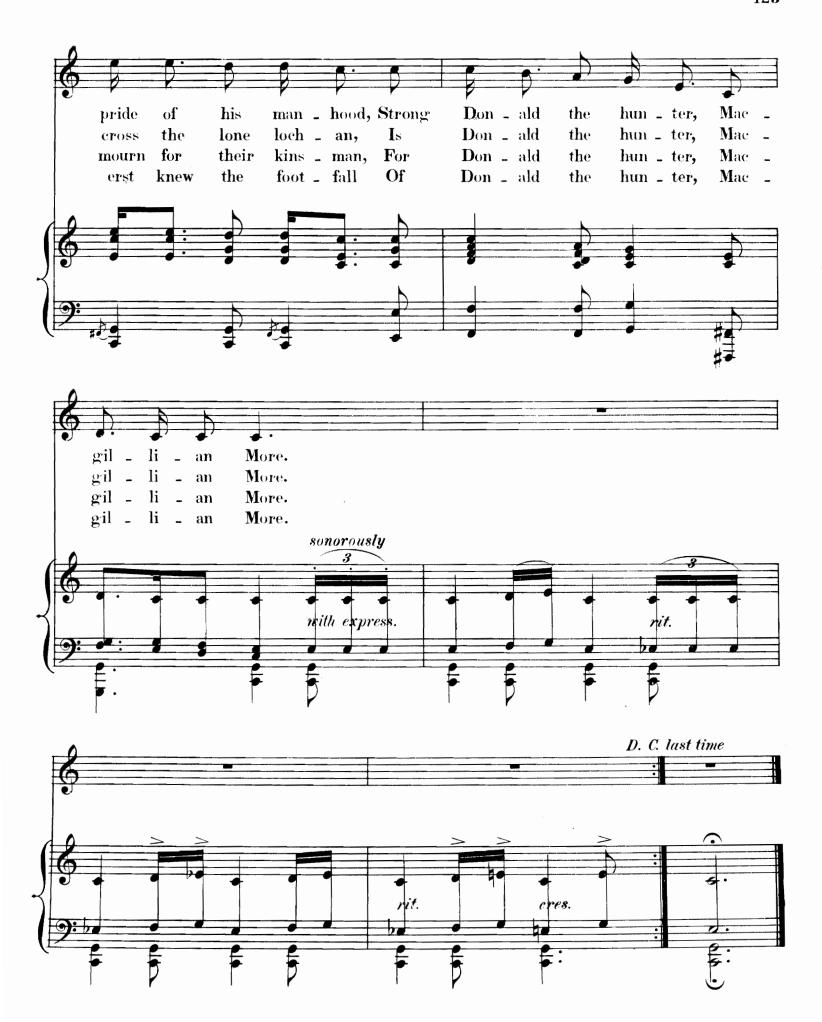


*)"Donald the hunter" one of the earlier chiefs of the Ardyour Macleans and much beloved by his clan, was famous for his passionate love of hunt_ing. The Air of this lament for his death has been hunded down from generation to generation in the Arigour district. Scaur Donald, a hill in his territory, is named after him.

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LAMENT FOR MACLEAN OF ARDGOUR.

AIL loudly, ye women, your coronach doleful,

Lament him, ye pipers, tread solemn and slow;

Mown down like a flower is the chief of Ardgour,

And the hearts of the clansmen are weary with woe.

In peace-time he ruled like a father among us,

Unconquered in fight was the blade that he bore,

But the chase was the glory and pride of his manhood,

—Strong Donald the hunter, Macgillian More.

Low down by yon burn that 's half hidden with heather He lurked like a lion in the lair he knew well; 'Twas there sobbed the red-deer to feel his keen dagger, There pierced by his arrow the cailzie-cock fell. How oft when at e'en he would watch for the wild fowl, Like lightning his coracle sped from the shore; But still, and for aye, as we cross the lone lochan, Is Donald the hunter, Macgillian More!

Once more let his war-cry resound in the mountains, Macdonalds shall hear it in eerie Glencoe, Its echoes shall float o'er the braes of Lochaber, Till Stewarts at Appin that slogan shall know; And borne to the waters beyond the Loch Linnhe, 'Twixt Morven and Mull where the tide-eddies roar, Macgillians shall hear it and mourn for their kinsman, For Donald the hunter, Macgillian More.

Then here let him rest in the lap of Scaur Donald,
The wind for his watcher, the mist for his shroud,
Where the green and the grey moss will weave their wild tartans.
A covering meet for a chieftain so proud.
For, free as the eagle, these rocks were his eyrie,
And free as the eagle his spirit shall soar
O'er the crags and the corries that erst knew the footfall
Of Donald the hunter, Macgillian More:

HAROLD BOULTON.



Weaving Song.

XXIX.

WEAVING SONG.

Scottish Song.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





WEAVING SONG.

AE owre the muir, gae doun the brae,

Gae busk my bower to mak' it ready,

For I'm gaun' there to wed the day

The bonnie lad that wears the plaidie.

Twine weel the bonnie tweel,

Twist weel the plaidie,

For O! I lo'e the laddie weel

That wears the tartan plaidie.

Content his lowly cot I 'll share,

I ask nae mair to mak' life cheerie;

Wi' heart sae leal and love sae true

The langest day can ne'er seem eerie.

Weel sheltered in his Hieland plaid

Frae worldly cares I 'll aye be easy;

Its storms I 'll hear like blasts that blaw

Owre heather bell and mountain daisy.

Twine weel, &c.

Twine weel, &c.

Scottish Song.

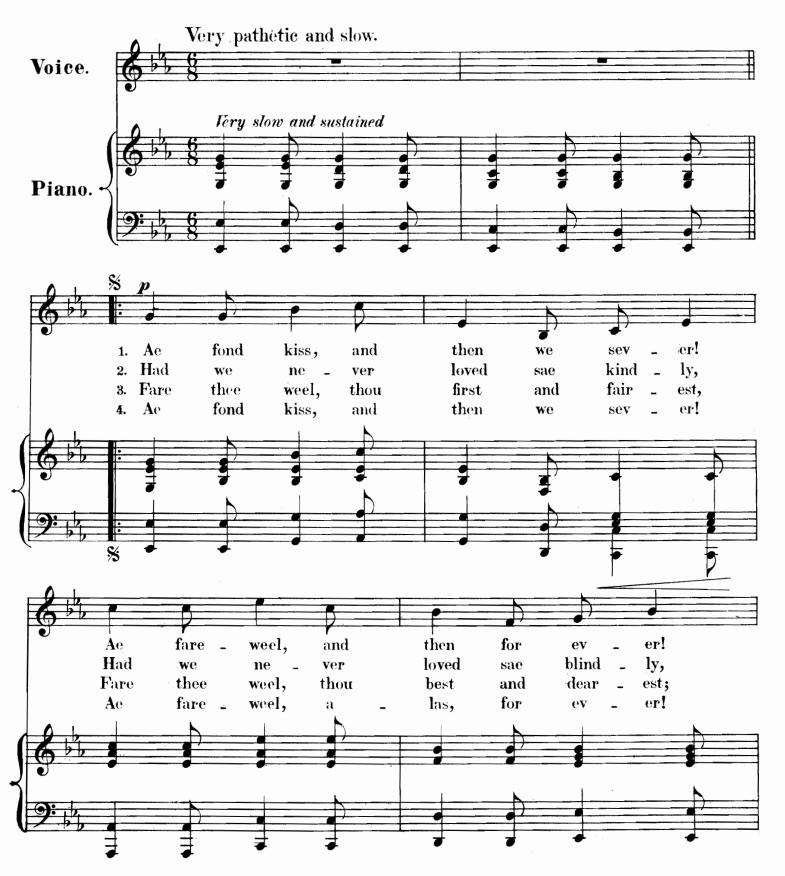


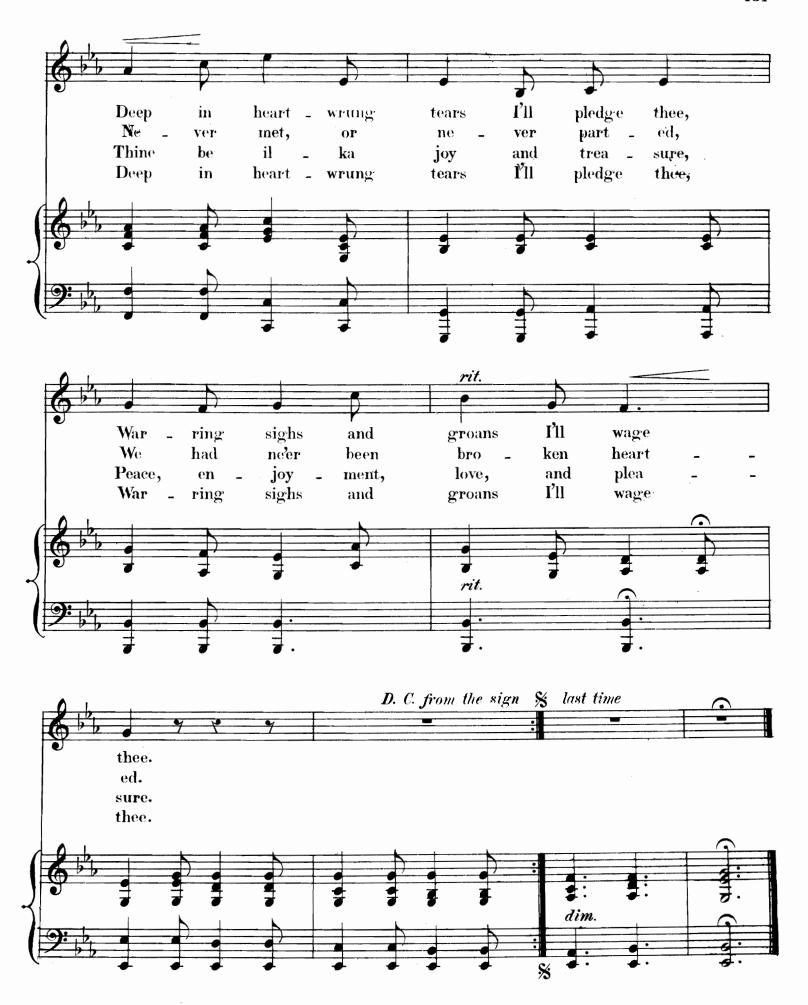
Ae Fond Kiss.

XXX.

AE FOND KISS.

Words by ROBERT BURNS. Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





AE FOND KISS.

E fond kiss, and then we sever!

Ae fareweel, and then for ever!

Deep in heart-wrung tears I'll pledge thee,

Warring sighs and groans I'll wage thee.

Who shall say that Fortune grieves him, While the star of hope she leaves him? Me, nae cheerful twinkle lights me, Dark despair around benights me.

I 'll ne'er blame my partial fancy, Naething could resist my Nancy; But to see her was to love her, Love but her, and love for ever.

Had we never loved sae kindly,
Had we never loved sae blindly,
Never met, or never parted,
We had re'er been broken-hearted!

Fare thee weel, thou first and fairest,
Fare thee weel, thou best and dearest;
Thine be ilka joy and treasure,
Peace, enjoyment, love, and pleasure!

Ae fond kiss, and then we sever!

Ae fareweel, alas! for ever!

Deep in heart-wrung tears I'll pledge thee,

Warring sighs and groans I'll wage thee.

R. Burns.



Linten Lowrin.

XXXI.

LINTEN LOWRIN.

Old Aberdeenshire Song.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.



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LINTEN LOWRIN.

SHEARED my first hairst in Bogend,
Doun by the fit o' Benachie;
And sair I wrought and sair I fought,
But I wan out my penny fee.
Linten lowrin, lowrin linten,
Linten lowrin, linten lee;
I 'll gang the gait I cam' again,
And a better bairnie I will be.

O! Rhynie's wark is ill to work,

And Rhynie's wages are but sma';

And Rhynie's laws are double straight,

And that does grieve me maist of a'.

Linten lowrin, &c.

O! Rhynie is a Hieland place, It doesna suit a Lawland loon; And Rhynie is a cauld clay hole, It is na like my faither's toun.

Linten lowrin, &c.

Old Aberdeenshire Song.



Turn ye to me.

XXXII.

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TURN YE TO ME.

Words by John Wilson. (Christopher North.) Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





TURN YE TO ME.

HE stars are shining cheerily, cheerily,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me;
The sea-mew is moaning drearily, drearily,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me.
Cold is the storm-wind that ruffles his breast,
But warm are the downy plumes lining his nest;
Cold blows the storm there,
Soft falls the snow there,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me.

The waves are dancing merrily, merrily,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me;
The sea-birds are wailing wearily, wearily,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me.
Hushed be thy moaning, lone bird of the sea,
Thy home on the rocks is a shelter to thee,
Thy home is the angry wave,
Mine but the lonely grave,
Ho ro Mhairi dhu, turn ye to me.

JOHN WILSON
("Christopher North")



The Bonnie Earl o' Moray.

XXXIII.

THE BONNIE EARL O' MORAY.

Old Scottish Song.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.



"On Feb. 7th, 1592, the Earl of Moray was cruelly murdered by the Earl of Huntly at Danibrissel in Fifeshire....; to satisfy the King's (James VI) jealousy of Moray, whom the Queen more rashly than wisely had commended in the King's hearing with too many epithets of a proper and gallant man." Sir James Bulfour's History of Scotland
Oppyright:







THE BONNIE EARL O' MORAY.

E Hielands and ye Lawlands,
O, whar ha'e ye been?
They ha'e slain the Earl o' Moray,
And laid him on the green.
He was a braw gallant,
And he rade at the ring;
And the bonnie Earl o' Moray
He might ha'e been a king.

O, lang will his ladye look frae the Castle Doune

Ere she see the Earl o' Moray come soundin' through the toun.

O, wae betide ye, Huntly,
And wherefore did ye sae?
I bade ye bring him wi' you,
And forbad' ye him to slay.
He was a braw gallant,
And he played at the glove;
And the bonnie Earl o' Moray,
He was the Queen's love.

O, lang will his ladye look frae the Castle Doune

Ere she see the Earl o' Moray come soundin' through the toun

Old Scottish Ballad.



The Bush aboon Traquair.

XXXIV.

THE BUSH ABOON TRAQUAIR





THE BUSH ABOON TRAQUAIR

To the bush aboon Traquair?
Owre the high Minchmuir we'll up and awa
This bonnie simmer noon,

While the sun shines fair aboon, And the licht sklents saftly down on holm and ha.

And what wad ye do there,
At the bush aboon Traquair?
A lang dreich road, ye had better let it be;
Save some auld scrunts o' birk
I' the hill-side lirk,
There 's nocht in the warld for man to see.

But the blythe lilt o' yon air,
The bush aboon Traquair,
I need nae mair, it 's eneuch for me;
Owre my cradle its sweet chime
Cam' sughin' frae auld time,
Sae, tide what may be, I'll awa' and see.

And what saw ye there,
At the bush aboon Traquair?
Or what did ye hear that was worth your heed?
I heard the cushies croon
Thro' the gowden afternoon,
And the Quair burn singing down to the vale o' Tweed

And birks saw I three or four
Wi' grey moss bearded owre,
The last that are left o' the birken shaw,
Whar mony a simmer e'en
Fond lovers did convene,
Thae bonnie, bonnie gloamin's that are lang awa'.

Frae mony a but and ben,
By muirland, holm, and glen,
They cam' ane hour to spen' on the greenwood swaird
But lang ha'e lad an' lass
Been lying 'neath the grass,
The green, green grass o' Traquair kirkyard.

They were blest beyond compare
When they held their trysting there,
Amang that greenest hills shone on by the sun;
And then they wan a rest,
The lownest and the best,
I' Traquair kirkyard when a' was dune.

Now the birks to dust may rot,
Names o' lovers be forgot,
Nae lads and lasses there ony mair convene,
But the blythe lilt o' you air
Keeps the bush aboon Traquair
And the luve that ance was there aye fresh and green.

PRINCIPAL SHAIRP



Ho-ro my Nut-brown Maiden.

(HO-RO MO NIGHEAN DHONN BHOIDHEACH.)

XXXV.

HO RO MY NUT-BROWN MAIDEN.

(HO RO MO NIGHEAN DHONN BHOIDHEACH)

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE.

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





HO-RO MY NUT-BROWN MAIDEN.

(HO-RO MO NIGHEAN DHONN BHOIDHEACH.)

O-RO my nut-brown maiden!
Hi-ri my nut-brown maiden!
Ho-ro my nut-brown maiden!
O, she 's the maid for me!

Her eye so mildly beaming, Her look so frank and free, In waking and in dreaming Is evermore with me.

Ho-ro, &c., &c., &c.

O Mary, mild-eyed Mary, By land, or on the sea, Though time and tide may vary. My heart beats true to thee.

Ho-ro, &c., &c., &c.

And since from thee I parted, A long and weary while, I wander heavy-hearted With longing for thy smile.

Ho-ro, &c., &c., &c.

In Glasgow and Dunedin
Were maidens fair to see,
But never a Lowland maiden
Could lure mine eyes from thee.

Ho-ro, &с., &с., &с.

Mine eyes that never vary
From pointing to the glen
Where blooms my Highland Mary
Like wild-rose 'neath the Ben.

Ho-ro, &c., &c., &c.

And when with blossoms laden Bright summer comes again, I'll fetch my nut-brown maiden Doun from the bonnie glen.

Ho-ro, &c., &c., &c.

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE



Drowned.

XXXVI.

DROWNED.

Words translated from the Gaelic by the Rev. A. Stewart. L. L. D. "Nether Lochaber." Old Highland Air. (Arisaig district.) arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





DROWNED.

No wonder my heart it is sore,

No wonder the tears that I weep;

My true love I'll see him no more,

He lies fathoms down in the deep.

He lies fathoms down in the deep,
Where the cold clammy seaweeds abound:
How cruel thy wild waves to me,
O sea that my true love hast drowned!

O sea that my true love hast drowned, Thou hast reft me of joy evermore; Thy waves make me shudder with fear As I listen and hear their wild roar.

My true love and I, hand in hand,
Often wandered the uplands among,
Where the wild flowers are freshest to see,
And the wild birds are freest of song;

But alas for the days that are gone,
Alas for my sorrow and me!
Alas that my true love is drowned
Fathoms down in the depths of the sea!

Translated from the Gaelic by the

REV. A. STEWART, LL.D.

"Nether Lochaber."



O'er the Moor.

XXXVII.

Copyright.

O'ER THE MOOR.

Old Highland Melody arranged by Words by MALCOLM LAWSON. A. C. MACLEOD. Dreamily and sad. Voice. 1. O'er the moor I wan _ der lonely, Och_ Largo. Piano. Where are all the joys I che_rished? heart is sore; on _ a _ rie, my With my dar _ ling they have pe_rished, And they will re _ turn no more. rit.



O'ER THE MOOR.

Ochon-a-rie, my heart is sore;
Where are all the joys I cherished?
With my darling they have perished,
And they will return no more.

I loved thee first, I loved thee only,

Ochon-a-rie, my heart is sore;

I loved thee from the day I met thee.

What care I though all forget thee?

I will love thee evermore.

A. C. MACLEOD



Bonnie Strathyre.

XXXVIII.

BONNIE STRATHYRE.

Words by Harold Boulton.

Copyright.

Music adapted from old Air "Taymouth" and arranged by Malcolm Lawson.







BONNIE STRATHYRE.

HERE's meadows in Lanark and mountains in Skye,
And pastures in Hielands and Lawlands forbye;
But there's nae greater luck that the heart could desire
Than to herd the fine cattle in bonnie Strathyre.

O its up in the morn and awa' to the hill, When the lang simmer days are sae warm and sae still, Till the peak o' Ben Voirlich is girdled wi' fire, And the evenin' fa's gently on bonnie Strathyre.

Then there's mirth in the sheiling and love in my breast, When the sun is gane down and the kye are at rest; For there's mony a prince wad be proud to aspire To my winsome wee Maggie, the pride o' Strathyre.

Her lips are like rowans in ripe simmer seen, And mild as the starlicht the glint o' her e'en; Far sweeter her breath than the scent o' the briar, And her voice is sweet music in bonnie Strathyre.

Set Flora by Colin, and Maggie by me,
And we'll dance to the pipes swellin' loudly and free,
Till the moon in the heavens climbing higher and higher
Bids us sleep on fresh brackens in bonnie Strathyre.

Though some to gay touns in the Lawlands will roam, And some will gang sodgerin' far from their home; Yet I'll aye herd my cattle, and bigg my ain byre, And love my ain Maggie in bonnie Strathyre.

HAROLD BOULTON.



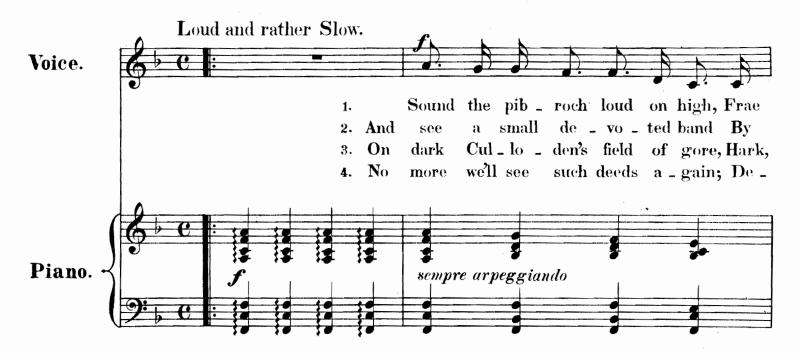
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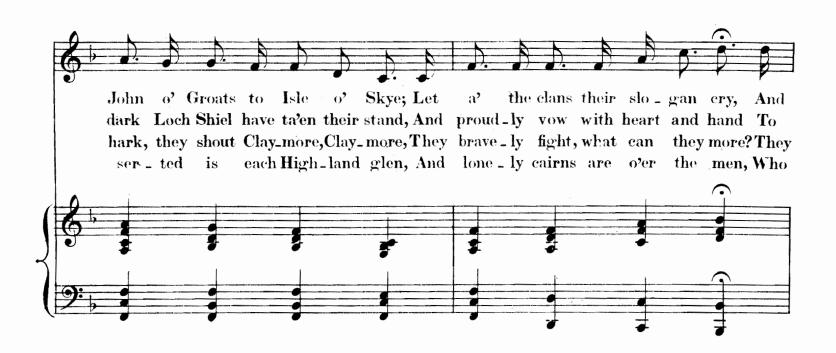
XXXIX.

SOUND THE PIBROCH.

(JACOBITE WAR SONG.)

Words by Mrs Norman Macleod Senior. Traditional Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.







^{*)} Pronounced Hatcheen foam ayrich, which means literally "it comes upon me to arise" (i . for Prince Charlie)

SOUND THE PIBROCH.

OUND the pibroch loud on high

Frae John o' Groats to isle o' Skye,

Let a' the clans their slogan cry,

And rise and follow Charlie.

Tha tighin fodham, fodham, fodham, Tha tighin fodham, fodham, fodham, Tha tighin fodham, fodham, fodham, Tha tighin fodham, eirigh!

And see a small devoted band

By dark Loch Shiel have ta'en their stand,

And proudly vow with heart and hand

To fight for royal Charlie.

Tha tighin fodham, &c., &c., &c.

From every hill and every glen
Are gathering fast the loyal men,
They grasp their dirks and shout again
"Hurrah! for royal Charlie!"

Tha tighin fodham, &c., &c., &c.

On dark Culloden's field of gore

Hark! Hark! they shout "Claymore! claymore!"

They bravely fight, what can they more?

They die for royal Charlie.

Tha tighin fodham, &c., &c., &c.

No more we'll see such deeds again, Deserted is each Highland glen, And lonely cairns are o'er the men Who fought and died for Charlie.

Tha tighin fodham, &c., &c., &c.

Mrs. Norman MacLeod (Senior).



My Love's in Germanie.

XL.

MY LOVE'S IN GERMANIE.

Words by HECTOR MACNEIL.

Old Scottish Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





MY LOVE 'S IN GERMANIE.

Y love 's in Germanie;
Send him hame, send him hame;
My love 's in Germanie, send him hame!

My love 's in Germanie
Fighting brave for royalty,
He may ne'er his Jeannie see,
Send him hame, send him hame;
He may ne'er his Jeannie see, send him hame!

He 's brave as brave can be,
Send him hame, send him hame;
He 's brave as brave can be, send him hame!
He 's brave as brave can be,
He wad rather fa' than flee,
But his life is dear to me,
Send him hame, send him hame;
But his life is dear to me, send him hame!

His faes are ten to three,
Send him hame, send him hame;
His faes are ten to three, send him hame!
His faes are ten to three,
He maun either fa' or flee;
In the cause o' loyalty
Send him hame, send him hame;
In the cause o' loyalty send him hame!

Your love ne'er learnt to flee,
Bonnie dame, winsome dame;
Your love ne'er learnt to flee, winsome dame!
Your love ne'er learnt to flee,
But he fell in Germanie
Fighting brave for royalty,
Bonnie dame, mournfu' dame;
Fighting brave for royalty, mournfu' dame!

He 'll ne'er come owre the sea,
Willie 's slain, Willie 's slain;
He 'll ne'er come owre the sea, Willie 's gane!
He 'll ne'er come owre the sea
To his love and ain countree;
This warld 's nae mair for me,
Willie 's gane, Willie 's gane;
This warld 's nae mair for me, Willie 's slain.

HECTOR MACNEIL



Health and joy be with you.

(GU MA SLAN A CHI MI.)

XLI.

HEALTH AND JOY BE WITH YOU.

(GU MA SLAN A CHI MI,)

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE.

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.





HEALTH AND JOY BE WITH YOU.

(GU MA SLAN A CHI MI.)

EALTH and joy be with you,

My bonnie nut-brown maid,

With tresses richly flowing,

With virgin grace arrayed;

Thy voice to me is music

When heavy I may be,

And it heals my heart's deep sorrow

To speak a word with thee.

In sadness I am rocking
This night upon the sea,
For troubled is my slumber
When thy smile is far from me;
On thee I'm ever thinking,
Thy face is ever near,
And if I may not find thee
Then death alone is dear.

Before we heaved our anchor
Their evil speech began,
That you no more should see me,
The false and faithless man.
Droop not thy head, my darling,
My heart is all thine own,
No power on earth can part us,
But cruel death alone.

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE



Colin's Cattle.

(CRODH CHAILLEAN)

A MILKING SONG.

XLII.

*OLIN'S CATTLE.

(CRODH CHAILLEAN.)

Words translated from the Gaelic by the Rev. A. Stewart, L.L. D. "Nether Lochaber."

Old Highland Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.



^{*)} Morag, a fair young maiden, is stolen by the Fairies on the very day of her marriage with Colin. It is promised that she shall be allowed to return in a year and a day; meanwhile she is permitted to milk Colin's cattle every evening, and as she milks she sings this song. Being under the fairy spell Colin cannot see her, though he can hear her singing, and he listens every evening to her voice in the happy hope that she will be restored to him at the end of a year and a day.

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COLIN'S CATTLE

(CRODH CHAILLEAN),

A MILKING SONG.

MAIDEN sang sweetly

As a bird on a tree,

Cro' Chaillean, Cro' Chaillean,

Cro' Chaillean for me.

My own Colin's cattle,
Dappled, dun, brown, and grey,
They return to the milking
At the close of the day.

In the morning they wander
To their pastures afar,
Where the grass grows the greenest
By corrie and scaur.

They wander the uplands
Where the soft breezes blow,
And they drink from the fountain
Where the sweet cresses grow.

But so far as they wander, Dappled, dun, brown, and grey, They return to the milking At the close of the day.

My bed 's in the shian
On the canach's soft down,
But I 'd sleep best with Colin
In our sheiling alone.

Thus a maiden sang sweetly As a bird on a tree, Cro' Chaillean, Cro' Chaillean, Cro' Chaillean for me.

Translated from the Gaelic by the

REV. A. STEWART, LL.D. "Nether Lochaber."



O gin I were where Gowdie rins.

XLIII.

O GIN I WERE WHERE GOWDIE RINS.

*Words by the late
Dr John Park of St. Andrews.

Old Aberdeenshire Melody arranged by MALCOLM LAWSON.



^{*}This old Melody was taken down by D? Park from the singing of a peasant girl in the Aberdeenshire Highlands; he afterwards wrote the words to the melody.

Copyright.



O GIN I WERE WHERE GOWDIE RINS.

GIN I were where Gowdie rins,

Where Gowdie rins, where Gowdie rins,

O gin I were where Gowdie rins

At the back o' Benachie!

Ance mair to hear the wild bird's sang, To wander birks and braes amang, 'Midst friends and fav'rites left sae lang At the back o' Benachie.

O gin I were, &c., &c., &c.

O mony a day in blithe spring-time, O mony a day in summer's prime, I 've wand'ring wiled awa' the time At the back o' Benachie.

O gin I were, &c., &c., &c.

O there wi' Jean on ilka night,
When baith our hearts were young and light,
We 've wandered by the cool moonlight
At the back o' Benachie.

O gin I were, &c., &c., &c.

O fortune's flow'rs wi' thorns are rife, And wealth is won wi' toil and strife; Ae day gie me o' youthful life At the back o' Benachie!

O gin I were, &c., &c., &c.

DR. JOHN PARK.



Farewell to Fiunary.

XLIV.

FAREWELL TO FIUNARY.

Words by the Rev. NORMAN MACLEOD, D. D. senior.

Traditional Melody arranged by Malgolm Lawson.





^{*}Pronounced: "Ayrich agus teukin O," which means: "We must up und be away."

FAREWELL TO FIUNARY.

HE wind is fair, the day is fine,
And swiftly, swiftly runs the time,
The boat is floating on the tide
That wafts me off from Fiunary.

Eirigh agus tiugainn O!
Eirigh agus tiugainn O!
Eirigh agus tiugainn O!
Farewell, farewell to Fiunary!

A thousand thousand tender ties
Awake this day my plaintive sighs,
My heart within me almost dies
To think of leaving Fiunary.

Eirigh, &c., &c., &c.

With pensive steps I often strolled Where Fingal's castle stood of old, And listened while the shepherd told The legend tales of Fiunary.

Eirigh, &c., &c., &c.

I 've often paused at close of day Where Ossian sang his martial lay, And viewed the sun's departing ray Wandering o'er Dun Fiunary.

Eirigh, &c., &c., &c.

REV. NORMAN MACLEOD.



Brown-haired Maiden.

(GRUAGACH DHONN.)

XLV.

BROWN-HAIRED MAIDEN.

(GRUAGACH DHONN.)

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE.

Old Highland Melody arranged by Malcolm Lawson.





BROWN-HAIRED MAIDEN.

(GRUAGACH DHONN.)

ROWN-HAIRED maiden, fresh and fair,

Blithe and bright with lightsome air,

Tuesday when I trysted thee

All the week was worth to me.

Brown-haired maid with witching smile,
Full of love and free from guile,
Softly 'neath the hawthorn tree
Came thy whispered troth to me.

Young were we when first fond love
Found us in the hazel grove;
Sweet thy kisses were to me,
And thy voice was melody.

God be with thee, brown-haired maid,
In the sunshine or the shade;
Ev'ry Tuesday saved for thee
Brings a year of bliss to me.

Translated from the Gaelic by Professor BLACKIE.



Maiden of Morven.

(AN OSSIANIC LOVE-LAMENT.)

XLVI.

MAIDEN OF MORVEN.*

(The lament of an Ossianic hero for the death of his lady-love accidentally lost in a storm off the point of Ardnamurchan.)

Old Highland Melody arranged by Words by MALCOLM LAWSON. HAROLD BOULTON. Slow and with grandeur. Voice. Moan winds that Piano. Howl spi _ rits er sleep, of the deep, ye nev Roar down ye tor _ rents the steep, Roll ye mists on

^{*}Morven was the name formerly given to a large part of the Western Highlands, and not only to the district now bearing the name.











^{*} Innistore= the Orkney Islands, then like many of the Islands under the dominion of the Scandinavian Kings, who were frequently at war with the Celtic Fingalians of the Mainland.

MAIDEN OF MORVEN.

(AN OSSIANIC LOVE-LAMENT.)

OAN ye winds that never sleep,
Howl ye spirits of the deep,
Roar ye torrents down the steep,
Roll ye mists on Morven.
May the tempests never rest,
Nor the seas with peace be blest
Since they tore thee from my breast,
Maiden of Morven!

Fairer than the flowers that grow,
Purer than the rills that flow,
Gentler than the fallow doe
'Mid the woods of Morven;
As the leaf is to the tree,
As the summer to the bee,
So wert thou, my Love, to me,
Maiden of Morven!

Ossian's harp sings Fingal's praise;
Wild the lilt of Carril's lays,
Men and maids of other days
Fire his tales of Morven.
Through their chords like thunder roll,
When at Beltane brims the bowl,
Thou 'rt the music of my soul,
Maiden of Morven!

Oft I chased the deer of yore;

Many a battle-brunt I bore,

When the chiefs of Innistore

Hurled their might on Morven.

Blunt my spear, and slack my bow,

Like an empty ghost I go,

Death the only hope I know,

Maiden of Morven!

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English.

AIRS.

- 1. YE MARINERS OF ENGLAND ... By Dr. Calcott. (Thomas Campbell.)
- 2. Thou wilt not go and Leave Me Thou wilt not go and leave me here.

 Here (Unknown.)
- 3. When the King Enjoys His Own When the King enjoys his own again.

 Again (Harold Boulton.)
- 4. Cupid's Garden Cupid's Garden. (Unknown.)
- 5. My Lodging it is on the Cold My Lodging it is on the cold ground.

 GROUND (Unknown.)
- 6. Old Towler Old Towler. (Unknown.)
- 7. Floodes of Tears Floodes of Tears. (Unknown.)
- 8. Pretty Polly Oliver... ... Pretty Polly Oliver. (Harold Boulton.)
- 9. Three Ravens (The) The Three Ravens. (Unknown.)
- 10. HAPPY FARMER (THE) The Happy Clown. (Harold Boulton.)

Cornish.

11. Where he Going? ... Where be going. (Unknown.)

Scottish.

- 12. Doun in you Bank Doune in you banke.

 (Harold Boulton.)
- 13. Here's to Thy Health ... Laggan Burn. (Robert Burns.)
- 14. On! She's Bonnie! ... Gently blaw ye Eastern breezes. (Unknown.)
- 15. BLINK OVER THE BURN.. ... Blink over the Burn. (Robert Allan.)
- 16*. Scots Wha Har Hey Tuttie Taitie. (Robert Burns.)
- 17. Mary Jamieson... ... Mary Jamieson. (Unknown.)
- 18. Twine the Plaiden ... Twine the Plaiden. (Unknown)
- 19. WILL YE NO COME BACK AGAIN? Will ye no come back again? (Lady Nairne.)
- 20. In You Garden... ... In you garden, (Unknown.)
- 21. Were NA MY HEART LIGHT ... Were na my heart light.

 (Lady Grizell Baillie.)

Highland.

- 22. ISLE OF THE HEATHER (THE) ... The Isle of the Heather.
 (Gaelic—M. Macleod. English translation—Harold Boulton.)
- THE MACKINTOSH'S LAMENT ... The Mackintosh's Lament. (Gaelic - Unknown. English translation—Harold Boulton.)

Welsh.

AIRS.

- 24. OPENING OF THE KEY (THE) ... The Opening of the Key. (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- SLENDER BOY (THE) The Slender Boy. (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 26. ALL THROUGH THE NIGHT ... All through the Night. (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 27. DIMPLED CHEEK (THE)... ... The Dimpled Cheek. (English—Unknown. Welsh simile—G. M. Probort.)
- 28. By the Waters of Babylon. By the Waters of Babylon. (English, Psalm exxxvii. adapted by Arthur Somervell. Welsh paraphrase—G. M. Probert.)
- 29. GWENLLIAN Gwenllian. (Welsh—Nicholas Bennett. English translation—Harold Boulton.)
- 30. Jenny's Mantle... ... Jenny's Mantle. (English—Haro'd Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 31. GWILYM AND ELLEN Gwilym and Ellen. (English—Unknown. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 32. MISTLETOE (THE)... ... The Woodbunch. (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 33*. Melody of May (The) ... The Melody of May (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)
- 34. Dream of Little Rhys ... The Dream of Little Rhys. (Welsh—Rev. Owen Davies (Eos Llechyd). English translation—Harold Boulton.)
- 35. Ash Grove (The) The Ash Grove. (English—Harold Boulton. Welsh simile—G. M. Probert.)

Manx.

Irish.

- 37. When in Death The Bard's Legacy.

 (English—Thomas Moore. Irish translation—Archbishop MacHale.)
- 38. Gentle Maiden (The) ... The Gentle Maiden. (English—Harold Boulton. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.)
- 39*. KITTY MAGER Kitty Magee. (English—F. A. Fahy.)
- Shule Agra. Shule Agra. (English—A. P. Graves. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.)
- CASTLE OF DROMORE (THE) ... My Wife is Sick.
 (English—Harold Boulton. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.)
- (English—Harold Boulton. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hya 42. Snowy-breasted Pearl. (The)... The Snowy-breasted Pearl.
- (Irish—Unknown. English—Dr. Petrie.)
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- (English F. A. Fahy. Irish translation Dr. Doug!as Hyde.)
 44. Little Mary Cassidy The little Stack of Barley.
 (English F. A. Fahy.)
- 45. GAOL OF CLONMEL (THE) ... Gaol of Clonmel. (English—F. A. Fahy. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.)
- 46. DRIMIN DHU Drimin Dhu.

 (English—F. A. Fahy. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.
- 47. Barney Brallaghan ... Barney Brallaghan. (English—A. P. Graves.)
- 48. TREE IN THE WOOD (THE) ... The Tree in the Wood. (English—Harold Boulton. Irish translation—Dr. Douglas Hyde.)
- 49. Kathleen ni Hoolhaun. (Irish—William Heffernan. English adaptation—F. A. Fahy.)
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