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## THE CATRINE WOODS WERE YELLOW SEEN.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS,

On the amiable family of the WHITEFORDS leaving Ballochmyle.

AIR\_THE BRAES OF BALLOCHMYLE, COMPOSED BY ALLAN MASTERTON.

The Catrine woods were yellow seen, The flowers decay'd on Catrine lea,\* Nae lav'rock sang on hillock green, But Nature sicken'd on the e'e. Thro' faded groves Maria sang, Hersel' in beauty's bloom the while, And ay the wild-wood echoes rang, Fareweel the braes of Ballochmyle! †

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Low in your wintry beds ye flowers, Again ye'll flourish fresh and fair; Ye birdies dumb, in with'ring bowers, Again ye'll charm the vocal air. But here, alas! for me nae mair Shall birdie charm, or flowret smile:

Fareweel the bonny banks of Ayr, Fareweel, fareweel! sweet Ballochmyle!

• CATRINE in Ayrshire, the Seat of DUGALD STEWART, Esq. + BALLOCHMYLE, now the Seat of BOYD ALEXANDER, Esq.

#### WHERE ESK ITS SILVER CURRENT LEADS.

#### THE SAME AIR.

WHERE Esk \* its silver current leads 'Mang greenwoods gay wi' mony a flower, I hied me aft to dewy meads, In happy days, and built my bower. I call'd upon the birds to sing, And nestle in ilk fragrant flower, While in the liv'ry of the spring I deck'd my pleasing peaceful bower.

'Twas there I found, ah ! happy time, A modest, sweet, and lovely flower !
I cropt it in its virgin prime, To grace and cheer my bonny bower.
But soon the blast howl'd in the air That robb'd me of this matchless flower; And sorrow since, and mony a care, Have stript and wither'd a' my bower !

• The Esk here alluded to, after passing the romantic banks of ROSLIN, winds for several miles through a variety of scenery singularly beautiful.

VOL. IV. A



#### THERE WAS A LASS AND SHE WAS FAIR.

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS.

#### AIR-WILLIE WAS A WANTON WAG.

The Heroine of the following Song was MISS MACMURDO, Drumlanrig,-She is now MRS CRAWFORD. " I have not (said the Poet) painted her in the rank which she holds in life, but in the dress and character of a cottager."

THERE was a lass and she was fair, At kirk and market to be seen ; When a' our fairest maids were met, The fairest maid was bonnie Jean. And ay she wrought her mammie's wark, And ay she sang sae merrilie; The blythest bird upon the bush, Had ne'er a lighter heart than she.

He gaed wi' Jeanie to the tryste, He danc'd wi Jeanie on the down, And lang ere witless Jeanie wist, Her heart was tint, her peace was stown ! As in the bosom of the stream The moon-beam dwells at dewy e'en; So trembling, pure, was tender love Within the breast of bonnie Jean.

The sun was sinking in the west, The birds sang sweet in ilka grove; His cheek to her's he fondly laid, And whisper'd thus his tale o' love. " O Jeanie fair, I lo'e thee dear ; " O can'st thou think to fancy me! " Or wilt thou leave thy mammie's cot, " And learn to tent the farms wi' me?

But hawks will rob the tender joys That bless the little lintwhite's nest; And frost will blight the fairest flowers, And love will break the soundest rest. Young Robie was the brawest lad, The flower and pride of a' the glen ; And he had owsen, sheep, and kye, And wanton nagies nine or ten.

And now she works her mammie's wark, And ay she sighs wi' care and pain ; Yet wist na what her ail might be, Or what wad make her weel again. But did na Jeanie's heart loup light, And did na joy blink in her e'e, As Robie tell'd a tale o' love Ae evining on the lily lea?

" At barn or byre thou shalt na drudge, " Or naething else to trouble thee, " But stray among the heather bells, " And tent the waving corn wi' me." Now what could artless Jeanie do? She had na will to say him na : At length she blush'd a sweet consent, And love was ay between them twa-

#### THE OLD SONG

#### WILLIE WAS A WANTON WAG.

It is mentioned in the Memoranda of BURNS, that this Song was written upon WALKINSHAW of Walkinshaw, near Paisley. 'Tis said, however, by others, that the Hero was HAMILTON of Gilbertfield.

WILLIE was a wanton wag, The blythest lad that e'er I saw, At bridals still he bore the brag, And carried ay the gree awa': His doublet was of Zetland shag, And wow! but Willie he was braw, And at his shoulder hung a tag, That pleas'd the lasses best of a'.

He was a man without a clag, His heart was frank without a flaw; And ay whatever Willie said, It was still hadden as a law. His boots they were made of the jag, When he went to the Weaponshaw, Upon the green nane durst him brag, The fient a' ane amang them a'.

And was not Willie well worth gowd? He wan the love of great and sma'; For after he the bride had kiss'd, He kiss'd the lasses hale-sale a'. Sae merrily round the ring they row'd, When by the hand he led them a', And smack on smack on them bestow'd, By virtue of a standing law.

And was nae Willie a great lown, As shyre a lick as e'er was seen ? When he danc'd wi' the lasses round, The bridegroom spier'd where he had Unless, like Willie, ye advance, been. Quoth Willie, I've been at the ring, Wi' bobbing, faith, my shanks are sair; Gae ca' your bride and maidens in, For Willie he dow do nae mair.

Then rest ye, Willie, I'll gae out, And for a wee fill up the ring; But, shame light on his souple snout ! He wanted Willie's wanton fling. Then straight he to the bride did fare, Says, weil's me on your bonnie face; Wi' bobbing Willie's shanks are sair, And I'm come out to fill his place.

Bridegroom, she says, you'll spoil the dance, And at the ring you'll ay be lag, O! Willie has a wanton leg; For wi't he learns us a' to steer, And foremost ay bears up the ring, We will find nae sic dancing here, If we want Willie's wanton fling.









#### O WISE AND VALIANT WILLY.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK,

#### By MRS GRANT, Laggan,

In Summer 1803, when it was understood that a negociation, for bringing Mr Pitt again into office, had failed.

AIR-RATTLING ROARING WILLIE.

WISE and valiant Willy,
Would ye but grip the helm !
My blessings on the day
Ye rose to guide the realm.
The winds blew hard on Willy,
And loudly roar'd the sea,
When a' the rest look'd silly,
Like Ailsa rock was he.

O doure hard-working Willy, How sair he won his fee !
He spent it ay as he got it, And now he has naething to gi'e.
O douce lang-headed Willy, When he began to crack,
He held to his point ay steady, And never a foot gaed back. O doure and stalwart Willy, He's gane to ca' his plough, But ere the play be play'd, He'll get some mair ado. There's nought in Will's kail-yard, But ae bit laurel tree ; Yet doure and stalwart Willie Is welcome ay to me.

His daddy gied him his name, 'Twas a' that he could gi'e, It's kent his daddy's coat There's nane could fill but he. O bold and reckless Willy, Nane bides a blast like thee, In rough and blustering weather, Ye're welcome ay to me.



#### BEHOLD THE HOUR, THE BOAT ARRIVE.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS.

#### HIGHLAND AIR-ORAN GAOIL.

**B**<sub>EHOLD</sub> the hour, the boat arrive !

Thou goest, thou darling of my heart : Sever'd from thee, can I survive?

But fate has will'd and we must part ! I'll often greet this surging swell ;

Yon distant isle will often hail;

"E'en here, I took the last farewel;

" There, latest mark'd her vanish'd sail."

Along the solitary shore, While flitting sea-fowls round me cry, Across the rolling, dashing roar, I'll westward turn my wistful eye: Happy, thou Indian grove, I'll say, Where now my Nancy's path may be! While through thy sweets she loves to stray, O tell me, does she muse on me!

#### O WERE MY LOVE YON LILAC FAIR.

The First and Second Stanzas written for this Work by BURNS and J. RICHARDSON. The last Stanza is old.

#### THE SAME AIR.

WERE my love yon lilac fair,
With purple blossoms to the spring !
And I a bird to shelter there,
When wearied on my little wing.
How I would mourn when it was torn
By autumn wild, and winter rude !
But I would sing on wanton wing,
When merry May its bloom renew'd.

O were my love yon vi'let sweet, That peeps frae 'neath the hawthorn spray; And I mysel' the zephyr's breath, Amang its bonnie leaves to play. I'd fan it wi' a constant gale, Beneath the noontide's scorching ray; And sprinkle it wi' freshest dews At morning dawn and parting day.

O gin my love were yon red rose, That grows upon the castle wa'! And I mysel' a drap of dew, Into her bonnie breast to fa'! Oh, there, beyond expression blest, I'd feast on beauty a' the night ; Seal'd on her silk-saft falds to rest, Till fley'd awa' by Phœbus' light.









## THERE'S NOUGHT BUT CARE ON EV'RY HAND.

WRITTEN

#### By BURNS.

#### AIR-GREEN GROW THE RASHES.

THERE'S nought but care on ev'ry han', In every hour that passes : What signifies the life o' man If t'were na for the lasses. Green grow the rashes, Green grow the rashes, The sweetest hours that e'er I spent, Are spent amang the lasses.

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Gie me a canny hour at e'en, My arms about my dearic ; And warldly cares and warldly men, May a' gae tapsalteerie. Green grow the rashes,

The warldly race may riches chase, And riches still may fly them; And tho' at last they catch them fast, Their hearts can ne'er enjoy them. Green grow the rashes, Green grow the rashes, The sweetest hours that e'er I spent, Are spent amang the lasses. Green grow the rashes, The sweetest hours that e'er I spent, Are spent amang the lasses.

For you sae douse, ye sneer at this, Ye're nought but senseless asses ; The wisest man the warld saw, He dearly lov'd the lasses. Green grow the rashes, Green grow the rashes, The sweetest hours that e'er I spent, Are spent amang the lasses.

Auld Nature swears, the lovely dears Her noblest work she classes; Her prentice han' she tried on man, And then she made the lasses. Green grow the rashes, Green grow the rashes, The sweetest hours that e'er I spent, Are spent amang the lasses.

VOL. IV. · B

#### O LASSIE, ART THOU SLEEPING YET.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By BURNS.

AIR-LET ME IN THIS AE NIGHT.

O LASSIE, art thou sleeping yet,
Or art thou waking, I would wot,
For Love has bound me hand and foot,
And I would fain be in, jo.
O let me in this ae night,
This ae, ae, ae night ;
For pity's sake this ae night,
O rise and let me in, jo.

#### Her Answer.

O tell na me of wind and rain, Upbraid na me wi' cauld disdain, Gae back the gate ye came again, I winna let you in, jo. I tell you now this ae night, This ae, ae, ae night ; And ance for a' this ae night I winna let you in, jo.

Thou hear'st the winter wind and weet; Nae star blinks thro' the driving sleet; Take pity on my weary feet, And shield me frae the rain, jo. O let me in this ae night, &c.

The bitter blast that round me blaws Unheeded howls, unheeded fa's ; The cauldness of thy heart's the cause Of a' my grief and pine, jo. O let me in this ae night, &c. The snellest blast, at mirkest hours, That round the pathless wanderer pours, Is nought to what poor she endures That's trusted faithless man, jo. I tell you now, &c.

The sweetest flower that deck'd the mead, Now trodden like the vilest weed, Let simple maid the lesson read, The weird may be her ain, jo. I tell you now, &c.

The bird that charm'd his summer day, Is now the cruel fowler's prey; Let witless, trusting woman say How aft her fate's the same, jo. I tell you now, &c.









## SLEEP'ST THOU, OR WAK'ST THOU, FAIREST CREATURE.

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WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By BURNS.

#### AIR-DEIL TAK' THE WARS.

The Heroine of this most exquisite Song, as well as of the one that follows it, was MISS LORIMER of Craigieburn, near Moffat.

SLEEP'ST thou, or wak'st thou, fairest creature; Phœbus, gilding the brow of the morning, Rosy morn now lifts his eye, Banishes ilk darksome shade, Numbering every bud which nature Nature gladdening and adorning; Waters wi' the tears of joy. Such to me my lovely maid. Now, to the streaming fountain, When frae my Jeanie parted, Or up the heathy mountain, Sad, cheerless, broken-hearted, (my sky; The hart, hind, and roe, freely wildly-wanton stray : Then night's gloomy shades, cloudy, dark, o'ercast In twining hazel bowers But when she charms my sight, In pride of beauty's light; His lay the linnet pours; The lavrock to the sky When through my very heart Ascends wi' sangs o' joy ; Her beaming glories dart; While the sun and thou arise to bless the day ! 'Tis then\_'tis then, I wake to life and joy !

#### MARK YONDER POMP OF COSTLY FASHION.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS.

THE SAME AIR.

MARK yonder pomp of costly fashion, Round the wealthy titled bride: But when compar'd with real passion, Poor is all that princely pride. What are their showy treasures, What are their noisy pleasures, The gay gaudy glare of vanity and art : The polish'd jewel's blaze May draw the wond'ring gaze, And courtly grandeur bright

But did you see my dearest Phillis, In simplicity's array; Lovely as yon sweet opening flower is, Shrinking from the gaze of day. O then the heart alarming, And all resistless charming, In love's delightful fetters, she chains the willing soul ! Ambition would disown The world's imperial crown, Ev'n av'rice would deny

#### The fancy may delight, But never, never can come near the heart.

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## His worshipp'd deity,

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And feel thro' every vein love's raptures roll.

#### THRO' THE CRAIGS OF KYLE. COMING

#### WRITTEN

#### MISS JEAN GLOVER. By

#### AIR-O'ER THE MOOR AMANG THE HEATHER.

COMING thro' the craigs of Kyle, Amang the bonnie blooming heather, There I met a bonnie lassie Keeping a' her ewes thegether. O'er the moor amang the heather, O'er the moor amang the heather, There I met a bonnie lassie, Keeping a' her ewes thegether.

Said I, my dear, where is thy hame, In moor or dale, pray tell me whither? She said, I tent the fleecy flocks That feed among the blooming heather. O'er the moor amang the heather, O'er the moor among the heather, She said, I tent the fleecy flocks That feed among the blooming heather.

O'er the moor among the heather, O'er the moor among the heather, She left her flocks at large to rove, Amang the bonnie blooming heather.

While thus we sat, she sung a sang, Till echo rang a mile and farther, And ay the burden o' the sang Was-o'er the moor among the heather. O'er the moor among the heather, O'er the moor amang the heather, And ay the burden o' the sang Was o'er the moor among the heather.

We sat us down upon a bank, Sae warm and sunny was the weather, She left her flocks at large to rove, Amang the bonny blooming heather.

She charm'd my heart, and ay sinsyne I cou'd na think on ony ither: By sea and sky ! she shall be mine ! The bonnie lass amang the heather. O'er the moor amang the heather, O'er the moor amang the heather, By sea and sky ! she shall be mine ! The bonnie lass amang the heather !

MINE IN SOME LONE GLEN. BE COT A

> WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK JOHN RICHARDSON, Esq. By

#### THE SAME AIR.

**B**E mine a cot in some lone glen, Around it many a brier bush growing; May dewy rosebuds fragrance lend, Among the grass sweet vi'lets blowing. There with thee contented living, There with thee contented living, I'll envy not the richest gifts In faithless fickle Fortune's giving.

To shield us from the winter's storm, An oak its lofty branches spreading, Around the door, (the songster's haunt,) The holly's verdure never fading. There with thee, &c.

Our garden water'd by a stream, Along a pebbled bed clear shining, Round every tree that decks its bank The woodbine and the ivy twining, There with thee, &c.

Let others through the world toil For honours, empty rank, and treasure, I'm happier in my humble cot, My Jeanie's love my dearest pleasure. There with thee contented living, There with thee contented living, I'll envy not the richest gifts In faithless fickle Fortune's giving.











#### OF A' THE AIRTS THE WIND CAN BLAW.

WRITTEN

By BURNS.

AIR-I LOVE MY JEAN.

This beautiful Song was written on MRS BURNS.

OF a' the airts the wind can blaw,
I dearly like the west,
For there the bonny lassie lives,
The lassie I lo'e best:
There wild-woods grow, and rivers row,
And mony a hill between;
But day and night my fancy's flight
Is ever wi' my Jean.

I see her in the dewy flowers,
I see her sweet and fair;
I hear her in the tunefu' birds,
I hear her charm the air.
There's not a bonnie flower that springs,
By fountain, shaw, or green;
There's not a bonnie bird that sings,
But minds me o' my Jean.

Added by MR RICHARDSON for this Work. Her lips are like the red-rose bud, Sweet blushing to the morn, Her breath is fresher than the bean, The fragrance of the thorn. The dew-drop in the morning sun, It canna match her e'en ; Oh ! life would hae nae joys for me, If 'twere na for my Jean.

Dear is the spot I saw her first,
The grove where aft we met,
But where I bade her last fareweel,
That place I'll ne'er forget;
For there within my arms she vow'd,
(The tear was in her e'e,)
That heav'n, and earth, and a' wou'd change,
Ere she prov'd fause to me !

#### KATE OF ABERDEEN.

#### WRITTEN

#### By CUNNINGHAM.

#### THE SAME AIR.

THE silver moon's enamour'd beam Steals softly thro' the night,
To wanton with the winding stream, And kiss reflected light.
To beds of state, go, balmy Sleep! ('Tis where you've seldom been,)
May's vigils while the shepherds keep With Kate of Aberdeen.

Upon the green the virgins wait, In rosy chaplets gay,
Till morn unbar her golden gate, And give the promis'd May.
Methinks I hear the maids declare The promis'd May, when seen,
Not half so fragrant, half so fair, As Kate of Aberdeen. Strike up the tabor's boldest notes,
We'll rouse the nodding grove ;
The nested birds shall raise their throats,
And hail the maid I love :
And see !—the matin lark mistakes,
He quits the tufted green :
Fond bird ! 'tis not the morning breaks,
'Tis Kate of Aberdeen !

Now lightsome o'er the level mead, Where midnight fairies rove, Like them, the jocund dance we'll lead, Or tune the reed to love : For see the rosy May draws nigh ; She claims a virgin queen : And hark ! the happy shepherds cry, 'Tis Kate of Aberdeen !



#### O PHELY, HAPPY BE THAT DAY.

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS.

The Heroine was MISS PHILLIS MACNURDO .- WILLY, the Editor believes, was an imaginary personage.

#### A JACOBITE AIR.

#### He.

• O PHELY, happy be that day,

· When roving through the gather'd hay,

' My youthful heart was stown away,

' And by thy charms, my Phely.'

She.

She.

- " The little swallow's wanton wing,
- " Tho' wafting o'er the flowery spring,

" Did ne'er to me sic tidings bring,

" As meeting o' my Willy."

He.

" O Willy, ay I bless the grove

" Where first I own'd my maiden love,

" Whilst thou did'st pledge the Powers above,

" To be my ain dear Willy."

#### He.

' As songsters of the early year

' Are ilka day mair sweet to hear,

' So ilka day to me mair dear

' And charming is my Phely.'

#### She.

" As on the brier the budding rose

" Still richer breathes, and fairer blows,

- " So in my tender bosom grows
- " The love I bear my Willy." He.

' The milder sun and bluer sky

' That crown my harvest cares wi' joy,

' Were ne'er sae welcome to my eye,

' As is a sight o' Phely.'

' The bee that thro' the sunny hour

' Sips nectar in the op'ning flower,

' Compar'd wi' my delight is poor

' Upon the lips o' Phely.'

#### She.

" The woodbine in the dewy weet,

" When ev'ning shades in silence meet,

" Is nought sae fragrant or sae sweet

" As is a kiss o' Willy."

#### He.

· Let fortune's wheel at random rin,

' And fools may tyne, and knaves may win ;

' My thoughts are a' bound up in ane,

' And that's my ain dear Phely.'

#### She.

" What's a' the joys that gowd can gi'e?

" I care na wealth a single flie :

" The lad I love's the lad for me,

" And that's my ain dear Willy."









#### HOW CAN MY POOR HEART BE GLAD,

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By BURNS.

AIR-O'ER THE HILLS AND FAR AWA'.

How can my poor heart be glad, When absent from my sailor lad; How can I the thought forego, He's on the seas to meet the foe:

At the starless midnight hour, When Winter rules with boundless power, As the storms the forest tear, And thunders rend the howling air,

Let me wander, let me rove, Still my heart is with my Love; Nightly dreams, and thoughts by day Are with him that's far away. On the seas and far away, On stormy seas and far away, Nightly dreams, and thoughts by day, Are with him that's far away.

Listening to the doubling roar, Surging on the rocky shore, All I can-I weep and pray For his weal that's far away. On the seas and far away, On stormy seas and far away, Nightly dreams, and thoughts by day, Are with him that's far away.

Peace, thy olive wand extend, And bid wild War his ravage end, Man with brother man to meet, And as a brother kindly greet : Then may heav'n with prosperous gales Fill my sailor's welcome sails, To my arms their charge convey, My dear lad that's far away.

On the seas and far away, On stormy seas and far away, Nightly dreams, and thoughts by day, Are with him that's far away.



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#### LAMENT OF THE BORDER WIDOW:

#### FROM

#### MR SCOTT'S MINSTRELSY,

AND HERE PUBLISHED BY PERMISSION.

#### AIR\_THE BORDER WIDOW'S LAMENT.

This affecting Fragment, obtained by Mr Scorr from recitation, is said to relate to the execution of COCKBURN of Henderland, a Border Freebooter, hanged over the Gate of his own Tower by JAMES V. in the course of that memorable Expedition in 1529, which was fatal to JOHNIE ARMSTRONG, ADAM SCOTT of Tushielaw, and many other Marauders.

My love built me a bonnie bower, And clad it a' wi' lily flower ; A brawer bower ye ne'er did see, Than my true love he built for me.

There came a man by middle day, He spied his sport and went away; And brought the king at dead of night, Who brake my bower, and slew my knight.

He slew my knight, to me sae dear, He slew my knight, and poin'd his gear ; My servants all for life did flee, And left me in extremitie !

I sew'd his sheet, making my mane; I watch'd the corpse, myself alane ; I watch'd his body, night and day; No living creature came that way ! .

Nae living man I'll love again, Since that my lovely knight is slain; Wi' ae lock of his yellow hair I'll chain my heart for evermair !

I took his body on my back, And whiles I gaed, and whiles I sat; I digg'd a grave, and laid him in, And happ'd him with the sod sae green !

But think na ye my heart was sair, When I laid the mould on his yellow hair ! O think na ye my heart was wae, When I turn'd about awa to gae?

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## THE CRUEL CHIEF:

#### FOUNDED ON AN OLD HIGHLAND TRADITION,

FROM A MANUSCRIPT PRESENTED TO THE EDITOR, NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED.

	THE SAME AIR.	
W ITH trembling feet near the close of day	, The sun was sinking in the sea,	' His valiant arm and well bent bow
Through yon green wood I made my way,	No more to cheer, or lighten me;	· Shall shelter thee when I am low ;
I met the chief of Auchnacloy,	The raven croak'd as I drew near,	' His sons may yet revenge this shame,
And never from that hour knew joy.	Methought the echoes cry'd, Forbear !	' And bear our arms, and raise our name.'
He ask'd what I did there alone,	But when I saw my true love start,	My love, with downcast eyes, stood near,
And where the grey-hair'd carle was gone,	I thought his look would split my heart,	And lean'd in silence on his spear ;
Who bore the banner with such pride,	And when I heard my father sigh,	O had the chief been there alone,
And the comely youth that fought beside.	I shrunk, and durst not meet his eye !	'Twould soon have reach'd his heart of stone.
My faultering tongue, unus'd to lie,	O then the gloomy Auchnacloy	Why, father, didst thou urge again !
The tear that glisten'd in my eye,	Beheld my grief with savage joy.	Why, nature, didst thou plead in vain !
My cheek by sudden fear made cold,	' With one of these you now must part, .	Why did I speak the guilty word,
Too well the fatal secret told !	' Then say who firmest holds your heart.'	Nor trust in heaven's avenging Lord !
With cords he bound me to an oak,	' Though not to slay them I gave my oath,	With broken voice I gave consent,
And cruel words of terror spoke,	' I promised not to save them both ;	I hop'd the chief would still relent;
To make me show the secret way	· Shall the sword then strike the hoary head?	But he told me with a scornful smile,
Where my father dear and my true love lay.	' Or the youthful lover's blood be shed ?'	He had but mock'd me all the while !
" O spare my father's hoary hair,	No words had I, no tear could flow,	He drew an arrow to the head,
" My true love's spring of beauty spare."-		And thro' my true love's heart it sped :-
' I'll give a chief's unbroken word,	' My daughter, why that mournful pause,	" Another lover you may gain,
' And pledge my honour on my sword.'	' I wish not life, I have no cause !	" But a father you would seek in vain."
" O if this vow you break to me,	' The snow of time is on my head,	My father sunk where my lover died,
" The gates of bliss may you never see !"-	' I soon must mingle with the dead ;	I kneel'd in fierce despair beside :
· If I should break my plighted word,	' My sons fell in this fatal strife,	" O never, monster, may'st thou see
• Then break the arm that wields the sword.'		" A gallant son to honour thee !
My eyes grew dim while I led the way	' Forlorn and sad, without a home,	" O never may a daughter fair
To the yellow broom where my father lay ;	' A wretched outcast I must roam !	" Arise to bless thy hoary hair !

Methought the birds, as I went along, 'No care have I on earth but thee, Bemoan'd me in their evening song !

' Then set the youthful warrior free.

" As my father's race now ends in me, " So may thy bloody house in thee !"

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): CHORUS. rank is but the guinea's stamp, The man's the gowd for a' that. For a' that and a' that, our For a' that and a' that, our toils obscure and a' that, The rank is but the guinea's stamp, The man's the gowd for a' that. toils obscure and a' that, The rank is but the guinea's stamp, The man's the gowd for a' that. a. 0 be

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### THE HONEST MAN THE BEST OF MEN.

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### By BURNS.

The Editor has taken the liberty to alter the two first words of this Song for the sake of the Music, and because there is an ellipsis in the line as it stands in the Author's copy, " Is there for honest poverty," which, in singing, at least, has a bad effect.

#### AIR-UP AND WAR THEM A', WILLIE.

W HERE's he for honest poverty That hangs his head and a' that? The coward slave we pass him by, We dare be poor for a' that ! For a' that, and a' that, Our toils obscure, and a' that, The rank is but the guinea's stamp, The man's the gowd for a' that. For a' that, &c. What though on hamely fare we dine, Wear hoddin grey, and a' that, Gi'e fools their silks, and knaves their wine,

A man's a man for a' that : For a' that and a' that, For a' that, and a' that, His ribband, star, and a' that, The man of independent mind, He looks and laughs at a' that. For a' that, &c.

A prince can make a belted knight, A marquis, duke, and a' that, But an honest man's aboon his might, Gude faith he maunna fa' that ! For a' that, and a' that, Their dignities and a' that ; The pith of sense and pride of worth, Are higher rank than a' that. For a' that, Syc.

Their tinsel shew, and a' that, The honest man, tho' e'er sae poor, Is king o' men, for a' that. For a' that, &c.

Ye see yon birkie ca'd a Lord, Wha struts and stares, and a' that; Though hundreds worship at his word, He's but a coof for a' that : Then let us pray, that come it may, As come it will for a' that, That sense and worth, o'er a' the earth, May bear the gree, and a' that ! For a' that, and a' that, It's coming yet for a' that, That man to man, the warld o'er, Shall brothers be for a' that. For a' that, &c.

### BUT ARE YE SURE THE NEWS IS TRUE.

The following simple and beautiful ballad first came into public view about the year 1771, and was probably composed not much anterior to that period.

But are you sure the news is true ! And are you sure he's weel? Is this a time to think o' wark? Fy, lass, fling by your wheel ! Is this a time to think o' thrift, When Colin's at the door ? Rax me my cloak, Ill down the quay, And see him come ashore. There's nae luck about the house, There's nae luck at a'; There's nae luck about the house, When our goodman's awa'.

Rise up, and mak' a clean fire-side,
Put on the muckle pot;
Gie little Kate her cotton gown,
And Jock his Sunday's coat:
Mak' their shoon as black as slaes,
Their stockings white as snaw;
It 's a' to pleasure our goodman,
He likes to see them braw. There's nac luck, &c.

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THE SAME AIR.

There are twa hens into the crib, Ha'e fed this month and mair; Mak' haste, and thraw their necks about, That Colin weel may fare. Bring down to me my bigonet, My bishop satin gown ; And then gae tell the bailie's wife, That Colin's come to town. There's nae luck, &c. My turkey slippers I'll put on, My stockings pearl blue ; And a' to pleasure our goodman, For he's baith leal and true. Sae sweet his voice, sae smooth his tongue, His breath's like cauler air ; His very tread has music in't, As he comes up the stair. There's nae luck, &c.

And will I see his face again !

And will I hear him speak !

I'm downright dizzy wi' the thought,

In troth I'm like to greet ! There's nae luck, &c.





### O SAY, MY SWEET NAN, CAN YOU LIE IN A HAMMOCK?

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By HECTOR MACNEILL, Esq.

#### AIR-O BONNY LASS, WILL YOU LIE IN A BARRACK.

· U SAY, my sweet Nan, can you lie in a hammock,

- ' While the mountain seas rage, can you swing in a hammock,
- · As the winds roar aloft, and rude billows dash o'er us,
- ' Can my Nancy sleep soundly amid the wild chorus ?'-
- "O yes! my dear Jack? I can lie in a hammock

"While the mountain seas rage, can sleep sound in a hammock, "Rude bitlows will rock me when love smiles to cheer me;— "If thy slumbers sweet, Jack, no dangers can fear me!"

' But say ! if at night the sad cry comes for wearing,

- " The breakers a-head, and the boatswain loud swearing ;
- ' While the mainyard dips deep, and white billows break o'er us,
- " Will my Nancy not shrink, then, amid the dread chorus?'-
- "O no! my dear lad, when these dangers are near me,
- " My Jack's kindly whispers will soothe me, will cheer me;
- " A kiss snatch'd in secret amid the dread horror
- "Will hush the rude chorus, and still every terror."

()! SAY, bonny lass, will you lie in a barrack,

· And follow the camp with your soldier laddy ?'-

· O ! say, would you leave baith your mither and daddy,

· And marry a soldier, and carry his wallet ;

"O! yes, bonny lad, I could lie in a barrack,

" And marry a soldier, and carry his wallet ;

" But follow my dear st, my soldier laddy."

"I'd neither ask leave of my mither or daddy,

' But say ! my sweet lass, when the tempest's all smashing,

- " The topsails all split, and the topmasts down crashing,
- "When all hands spring aloft, and no lover to cheer her,

' Will my Nancy not shrink, when such dangers are near her ?'-

- "Ah no! my lov'd Jack, while the tempest's loud bawling,
- " The topsails all split, and the topmasts down falling,
- " In watching your dangers, my own will pass over,
- " In prayers for your safety, no fears I'll discover !"
- ' But oh ! my lov'd Nan, when the ship is done clearing,
- ' The matches all lighted,-the French foe fast nearing,
- " Can you stand to your gun, while pale death drops around you?
- ' 'Tis then, my sweet Nancy ! new fears will confound you !'-
- "No, no! my dear Jack, to these fears love's a stranger,
- "When you fight by my side, I'll defy every danger?
- " On your fate my fond eye will be fixt while you're near me,
- " If you fall ! Nancy dies !- if you live, love will cheer me !"

TO BE SUNG BY BOTH AT THE SAME TIME.

' Come! come, then, dear Nan! let us swing in a hammock!

" While mountain-seas dash round, sleep sound in our hammock !

" With love such as thine, who would dread war or weather !

" While we live we shall love-when we fall--fall together !"

" Come ! come, then, dear Jack, let us swing in a hammock !

"While mountain-seas dash round, sleep sound in our hammock!

"With love such as thine, who would dread war or weather ?

"While we live, we shall love !- when we fall-fall together !"

### THE OLD SONG,

### O SAY, BONNY LASS, WILL YOU LIE IN A BARRACK?

#### THE SAME AIR.

' O! say, bonny lass, wou'd you go a-campaigning,

· And bear all the hardships of battle and famine ;

. When wounded and bleeding, then would'st thou draw near me,

· And kindly support me, and tenderly cheer me?"-

"O! yes, bonny lad, I'll think naething of it,

" But follow my Henry, and carry his wallet;

" Nor dangers, nor famine, nor wars can alarm me,

" My soldier is near me, and naething can harm me !"

" But say, bonny lass, when I go into battle,

" Where dying men groan, and loud cannons rattle !'----

"O then, bonny lad, I will share all thy harms,

"And should'st thou be kill'd, I will die in thy arms !"

' But say, bonny lass', &c. (repeating the lines.)













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### AULD GUDEMAN, YE'RE A DRUNKEN CARLE.

#### WRITTEN

### By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

AND HERE PUBLISHED BY HIS PERMISSION.

#### AIR-THE EAST NEUK O' FIFE.

She. A ULD gudeman, ye're a drunken carle, drunken carle, A' the lang day ye wink and drink, and gape and gaunt; Of sottish loons ye're the pink and pearl, pink and pearl, Ill-far'd, doited, ne'er-do-weel !

He. Hech, gudewife! ye're a flytin body, flytin body;
Will ye hae, but, gude be prais'd, the wit ye want;
The puttin cow should be ay a doddy, ay a doddy,
Mak na sic an awsome reel.

She.

He.

Ye're a sow, auld man, Ye get fou, auld man, Fye shame ! auld man, To your wame, auld man, Pinch'd I win, wi' spinnin tow, A plack to clead your back and pow ! It's a lie, gudewife, It's your tea, gudewife; Na, na, gudewife, Ye spend a', gudewife, Dinna fa' on me pell-mell, Ye like a drap fu'-weel yoursel !

She. Ye's rue, auld gowk, your jest and frolic, jest and frolic, Dare ye say, goose, I ever lik'd to tak a drappy ?
An 'twere na just for to cure the cholic, cure the cholic, Deil a drap wad weet my mou.
He. Troth, gudewife, ye wadna swither, wadna swither,

Soon soon to tak' a cholic, when it brings a drap o' cappy ; But twa score o' years we hae fought thegither, fought thegither,

Time it is to gree, I trow.

She.

He.

I'm wrang, auld John, Owr lang, auld John, For nought, gude John, We ha'e fought, gude John ; Let's help to bear ilk ither's weight, We're far owr feckless now to feght. Ye're right, gudewife, The night, gudewife, Our cup, good Kate, We'll sup, good Kate ; Thegither frae this hour we'll draw, And toom the stoup atween us twa !



### HARK! THE MAVIS EVENING SANG.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By BURNS.

#### AIR-THE MAID THAT TENDS THE GOATS.

HARK! the mavis' evening sang,
Sounding Clouden's woods amang;
Then a-faulding let us gang,
My bonnie dearie.
Ca' the ewes to the knowes,
Ca' them where the heather grows,
Ca' them where the burnie rows,
My bonnie, bonnie, dearie.
Ca' them where the burn rows,
My bonnie dearie.

Yonder Clouden's silent towers, Where at moon-shine midnight hours, O'er the dewy bending flowers, Fairies dance sae cheery. Ca' the ewes, &c.

Gaist nor bogle shalt thou fear, Thou'rt to love and heaven sae dear, Nought of ill may come thee near, My bonnie dearie. Ca' the ewes, &c.

Fair and lovely as thou art,

We'll gae down by Clouden-side, Through the hazels spreading wide O'er the waves, that sweetly glide

To the moon sae clearly. Ca' the ewes, &c.

Thou hast stown my very heart, I can die,—but canna part, My bonnie dearie !

Ca' the ewes, &c.

### UP AMANG YON CLIFFY ROCKS.

### By Mr DUDGEON.

#### THE SAME AIR.

U P amang yon cliffy rocks, Sweetly rings the rising echo, To the maid that tends the goats, Lilting o'er her native notes. Hark ! she sings, young Sandy's kind, And he's promised ay to lo'e me; Here's a broach, I ne'er shall tine't, Till he's fairly married to me. Drive away, ye drone time, And bring about our bridal day.

Sandy herds a flock o' sheep, Aften does he blaw the whistle, In a strain sae saftly sweet, Lammies list'ning darena bleat :

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Hardy as the Highland heather, Wading through the winter snow, Keeping ay his flock thegither; But a plaid wi' bare hoghs, He braves the bleakest norlin blast.

Brawly can he dance and sing, Canty glee or Highland cronach; Nane can ever match his fling At a reel or round a ring. Wightly can he wield a rung, In a brawl he's ay the bangster; A' his praise can ne'er be sung By the langest winded sangster. Sangs that do o' Sandy sing

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He's as fleet's the mountain roe,

Come short, though they were e'er sae lang.









### 'TWAS SUMMER, &c.\_THE BANKS OF THE DEE.

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WRITTEN

By JOHN TAIT, Esq.

AND RETOUCHED BY HIM FOR THIS WORK.

AIR\_LANGOLEE.

And sweetly the wood-pigeon coo'd from the tree; At the foot of a rock, where the wild-rose was growing,

I sat myself down on the banks of the Dee. Flow on, lovely Dee! flow on, thou sweet river! Thy banks, purest stream, shall be dear to me ever; For there I first gain'd the affection and favour

Of Jamie, the glory and pride of the Dee.

But now he's gone from me, and left me thus mourning,

To quell the proud rebels,—for valiant is he: And, ah ! there's no hope of his speedy returning

To wander again on the banks of the Dee. He's gone, hapless youth ! o'er the rude-roaring billows, The kindest and sweetest of all the gay fellows; And left me to wander 'mongst those once-lov'd willows The loneliest maid on the banks of the Dee.

But time and my pray'rs may perhaps yet restore him;

Blest peace may restore my dear Jamie to me; And when he returns, with such care I'll watch o'er him,

He never shall leave the sweet banks of the Dee.
The Dee then shall flow, all its beauties displaying;
The lambs on its banks shall again be seen playing;
While I with my Jamie am carelessly straying,
And tasting again all the sweets of the Dee.

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### I WISH I WERE WHERE HELEN LIES.

#### AIR-FAIR HELEN OF KIRKCONNELL.\*

WISH I were where Helen lies, Where night and day on me she cries; I wish I were where Helen lies On fair Kirkconnell lea!

Oh Helen fair ! oh Helen chaste ! Were I with thee I would be blest, Where thou liest low, and at thy rest On fair Kirkconnell lea.

Oh Helen fair, beyond compare, I'll make a garland of thy hair Shall bind my heart for evermair, Until the day I die ! I wish my grave were growing green, A winding-sheet put o'er my een ; I wish my grave were growing green On fair Kirkconnell lea !

Curs'd be the heart that hatch'd the thought, And curs'd the hand that fired the shot, When in my arms dear Helen dropt, And died to succour me !

O think na ye my heart was sair, My love dropt down and spake nae mair! O think na ye my heart was sair On fair Kirkconnell lea!

Where Helen lies, where Helen lies, I wish I were where Helen lies! Soon may I be where Helen Helen lies, Who died for love of me!

\* The Story of this Ballad is thus given by Mr PENNANT in his Tour in Scotland :- " In the Burying-Ground of Kirkconnell is

" the grave of the fair ELLEN IRVINE and that of her Lover: She was daughter of the house of Kirkconnell, and was beloved by two "Gentlemen at the same time; the one vowed to sacrifice the successful Rival to his resentment, and watched an opportunity while the hap-"py pair were sitting on the banks of the Kirtle that washes these grounds. ELLEN perceived the desperate lover on the opposite side, and fondly thinking to save her favourile, interposed, and receiving the wound intended for her beloved, fell, and expired in his arms. He instantly revenged her death, then fled into Spain, and served for some time against the Infidels. On his return he visited the grave of his unfortunate Mistress, stretched himself on it, and, expiring on the spot, was interred by her side. A sword and a cross are engraven on the tomb-stone, with 'Hic jacet ADAM FLEMING: the only memorial of this unhappy gentleman, except an ancient "Ballad, of no great merit, which records the tragical event." Mr PENNANT probably alludes to that edition of the ballad which is given in the Statistical Account of the parish of Kirkpatrick-Fleming; it is much longer than the above, and contains some meagre and incongruous verses.

### O WERE I LAID WHERE COLIN LIES.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK By MRS GRANT.

#### THE SAME AIR.

O WERE I laid where Colin lies, Could I but close these weary eyes, And wake no more, with fruitless sighs, The joyless day to see.

Or if I still must languish here, Would but his passing shade appear! And whisper soft in fancy's ear, " Come, love, I wait for thee!"

When these sad eyes have ceas'd to weep, And weary woe is lost in sleep, Though drowsy dews my senses steep, My soul still wakes with thee. 'Tis then I rest from pain awhile, And hear thy voice, and see thy smile, And all my secret griefs beguile, Those griefs so dear to me !

My life, my soul, my all is gone, Forlorn I wander here alone, O were but this my parting groan, For death is life to me !

For though I knew some magic art, To blot thy image from my heart, With that lov'd form I ne'er would part Till death should set me free !

Then where our mingled ashes sleep, Shall faithful lovers meet to weep,





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### FIRST WHEN MAGGY WAS MY CARE.

WRITTEN

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By BURNS.

AIR-WHISTLE O'ER THE

This Air is said to have been composed by a JOHN BRUCE, who was an esteemed Violin-player in Dumfries, about the beginning of the 18th century. " This I know, (said BURNS,) BRUCE, who was an honest man, though a red-wud Highlandman; constantly claimed it, " and by all the old Musical people here is believed to be the author of it."

FIRST when Maggy was my care, Heaven, I thought, was in her air; Now we're married, speir nae mair, But whistle o'er the lave o't.

Meg was meek, and Meg was mild, Sweet and harmless as a child; Wiser men than me.'s beguil'd, So whistle o'er the lave o't.

How we live, my Meg and me, How we love, and how agree, I care na by how few may see, Whistle o'er the lave o't.

Wha I wish were maggots' meat, Dish'd up in her winding-sheet; I could write,-but Meg maun see't, Whistle o'er the lave o't.



### O WHAT HAD I ADO, &c .- THE DRUNKEN WIFE O' GALLOWAY.

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#### AIR-HOOLY AND FAIRLY.

OH! what had I ado for to marry! My wife she drinks naething but sack and canary, I to her friends complain'd right early,

O! gin my wife wou'd drink hooly and fairly; Hooly and fairly, hooly and fairly,

O! gin my wife would drink hooly and fairly. I never was for wrangling nor strife,

My bonnie white mittens I wore on my hands Wi' her neighbour's wife she has laid them in pawns; My bane-headed staff that I loo'd so dearly; O gin my wife, &c.

I never was for wrangling nor strife, Nor did I deny her the comforts of life :

First she drank Crommy, and syne she drank Garie, For when there's a war, I'm ay for a parley;

Now she has drunken my bonny grey marie, That carried me thro' the dubs and the larie;

O gin my wife, &c.

She drank her hose, she drank her shoon, And syne she drank her bonny new gown; She drank her sark that cover'd her rarely; O gin my wife, &c.

Wou'd she drink her ain things, I wou'd na care; But she drinks my claiths I canna' weel spare; When I'm wi' my gossips, it angers me sairly; O gin my wife, &c.

My Sunday's coat, she has laid it a wad, The best blue bonnet was e'er on my head; At kirk and at market I'm cover'd but barely; O gin my wife, &c. O gin my wife, &c.

When there's ony money, she maun keep the purse, If I seek but a bawbee, she'll scold and she'll curse, She live's like a queen, I scrimped and sparely;

O gin my wife, &c.

A pint wi' her cummers I wou'd her allow : But when she sits down, she gets hersel' fu'; And when she is fu' she is unco camstarie; O gin my wife, &c.

When she comes to the street, she roars and she rants, Has no fear of her neighbours, nor minds the house wants ;

Rants some foolish sang, like, 'Up your heart, Charlie,' O gin my wife, &c.

And when she comes hame, she lays on the lads,
The lasses she ca's baith limmers and jades,
And ca's mysel' ay an auld cuckold carlie;
O gin my wife would drink hooly and fairly;
Hooly and fairly, hooly and fairly,
O ! gin my wife would drink hooly and fairly.





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### COME UNDER MY PLAIDY, &c.-MODERN MARRIAGE DELINEATED.

WRITTEN

By HECTOR MACNIELL, Esq.

#### AIR-JOHNNY MACGILL.

· COME under my plaidy, the night's ga'en to fa', ' Come in frae the cauld blast, the drift, and the snaw;

" My father ay tell'd me, my mither and a' "Ye'd make a gude husband, and keep me ay braw; " It's true I lo'e Johnny, he's gude and he's bonny, "But, waes me ! ye ken he has naething ava ! " I ha'e little tocher; you've made a gude offer; " I'm now mair than twenty ; my time is but sma'! " Sae gi'e me your plaidy ; I'll e'en sit beside ye, " I thought ye'd been aulder than threescore and twa."

' Come under my plaidy, and sit down beside me, ' There's room in't, dear lassie, believe me, for twa. ' Come under my plaidy, and sit down beside me, ' I'll hap you frae ev'ry cauld blast that will blaw ; 'O come under my plaidy, and sit down beside me, ' There's room in't, dear lassie, believe me, for twa.'

"Gae 'wa wi' your plaidy ! auld Donald, gae 'wa ! " I fear na the cauld blast, the drift, nor the snaw: " Gae 'wa wi' your plaidy, I'll no sit beside ye, " Ye may be my gutchard !-auld Donald, gae 'wa !

- " I'm ga'en to meet Johnny, he's young and he's bonny;
- " He's been at Meg's bridal, sae trig and sae braw ! " O nane dances sae lightly ! sae gracefu' ! sae tightly ! " Hischeek'slike the new rose, his brow's like the snaw."
- ' Dear Marion, let that flee stick fast to the wa; ' Your Jock's but a gowk and has naething ava; ' The hale o' his pack he has now on his back : 'He's therty, and I am but threescore and twa. ' Be frank now and kindly,-I'll busk you ay finely; ' To kirk or to market they'll few gang sae braw; ' A bein house to bide in, a chaise for to ride in, ' And flunkies to tend ye as aft as ye ca'.'

She sat down ayont him, aside the stane wa' Whar Johnny was list'ning, and heard her tell a'. The day was appointed ! his proud heart it dunted, And strack 'gainst his side, as if bursting in twa. He wander'd hame weary, the night it was dreary ! And thowless, he tint his gate deep 'mang the snaw ; The howlet was screamin, while Johnny cried, "Wo-" men

"Wou'd marry auld Nick, if he'd keep them ay braw!"

O the de'il's in the lasses : they gang now sae braw, They'll e'en match wi' auld men o' fourscore and twa; The hale o' this marriage is gowd and a carriage ; Plain love is the cauldest blast now that can blaw ! O the de'il's in the lasses ! they gang now sae braw, They'll e'en match wi' auld men o' fourscore and twa; The hale o' this marriage, is gowd and a carriage; Plain love is the cauldest blast now that can blaw!

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### COME REST YE HERE, JOHNIE, WHAT NEWS, &c.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

#### AIR\_THE SOLDIER LADDIE.

COME rest ye here, Johnie, what news frae the south?

' Here's whey in a luggie to slocken your drowth,

' Our soldiers are landed, my hopes are maist deeing,

" I'm fear'd, John, to ask ye, is Jamie in being?"

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" Aye, troth, lass, they're landed, and hameward they're coming, " In braw order marching, wi' fifing and drumming : " I sell't my grey plaid, my cauld winter's warm happin, " To cheer their leal hearts wi' a gill and a chappin.

" Your father's gudebrither, the serjeant, wi' glee,

" Pu'd a crown frae his pouch, and, loud laughing, quo' he,

"Ye're owre auld to list, or ye'd rug this fast frae me-

" Mair drink here !"- ' But, John, O nae word o' poor Jamie ?"

" The deil 's i' the lassie, there 's nought in her noddle

" But Jamie, ay Jamie, she cares na ae boddle

" For grey-headed heroes ; weel, what should I say now,

" The lad's safe and weel, and what mair wad ye hae now ?"

· He's weel! Gude be prais'd, my dear laddie is weel!

" Sic news ! hech man, John, ye're a sonsy auld chiel !

' I'm doited-I'm dais'd-its fu' time I were rinnin,

' The wark might be done ere I think o' beginnin.

' I'll rin like a mawkin, and busk in my braws,

' And link o'er the hills where the caller wind blaws,

" And meet the dear lad, wha was true to me ever,

' And dorty nae mair\_O I'll part wi' him never!"











### OFT I WENT TO HER, &c .- OR, SHELAH O'NEAL.

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THE AIR AND THE VERSES

By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

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OFT, oft, I went to her, to sigh and to woo her; Of mighty fine things did I say a great deal; Above all the rest, what still pleas'd her the best, Was, "Och! will you marry me, Shelah O'Neal?" My point I soon carried, for fast we got married; The weight o' my bargain I then 'gan to feel; She scolded and fisted, O then I enlisted, Left Ireland, and whisky, and Shelah O'Neal.

But tir'd and dull-hearted, my corps I deserted, And fled off to regions far distant from home, To Frederick's army, where nought was to harm me, Not the devil himself in the shape of a bomb. I fought ev'ry battle, where cannon did rattle, Felt sharp shot, alas ! and their sharp-pointed steel ; But in all the wars round, thank my stars, I ne'er found Aught so sharp as thy tongue, O curs'd Shelah O'Neal.



### AT WILLIE'S WEDDING ON THE GREEN.

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WRITTEN

### By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

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AIR JENNY DANG THE WEAVER.

A т Willy's wedding on the green, The lasses, bonny witches, Were buskit out in aprons clean, And snaw-white Sunday's mutches. Auld Mysie bade the lads tak' tent, But Jock wad nae believe her; And soon the fool his folly kent, For—Jenny dang the weaver. Sing, Jenny dang, &c.

In ilka countra-dance and reel, Wi' her he wad be babbin ; When she sat down, then he sat down, And till her wad be gabbin : Whare'er she gaed, or but or ben, The coof wad never leave her, Ay cacklin like a clockin hen, But—Jenny dang the weaver. Sing, Jenny dang, &c.

Quoth he, "My lass, to speak my mind, "Good haith ! I need na swither :
"You've bonny een, and, gif you're kind, "I needna court anither."
He humm'd and ha'd—the lass cried feugh ! And bade the fool no deave her ;
Then snapt her thumb, and lap and leugh, And—dang the silly weaver ! Sing, Jenny dang, &c.





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# OCH! PRETTY KATE, MY DARLING KATE:

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A Love-Dialogue,

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

IRISH AIR.

" Осн! pretty Kate, my darling Kate,
" Неге, take my hand, and I'm your mate."
' I'd sooner die!' " Fye Kate, fye, fye!"
' Did ever fool talk at such a rate?
' O Patrick, you're a teazing lad,
' The basest plague that e'er I had :
' The live-long day you prate away,
' I really believe you'll put me mad.'
" O Kate, I am a pleasing lad,
" The neatest swain that e'er you had :
" I sigh all day, I pine away,
" I really believe you'll put me mad."

" Ah ! little Norah would be mine,
" I know by many a leering sign."
' Then take your drab, you boasting blab,
' For Katrine never will be thine.
' O Patrick, you're a teazing lad,
' The basest plague that e'er I had :
' The live-long day you prate away,
' I really believe you'll put me mad.'
" O Kate, I am a pleasing lad,
" The neatest swain that e'er you had :
" I sigh all day, I pine away,
" I really believe you'll put me mad."

" No, Kate, sweet Kate alone can please,
" She keeps the key of all my ease :
" Then, if you frown, poor Patrick's down,
" You'll kill me, Kate, it's plain as pease."
' O Patrick, you're a teazing lad,
' The basest plague that e'er I had ;
' The live-long day you prate away,
' I really believe you'll put me mad.'
" O Kate, I am a pleasing lad,
" The neatest swain that e'er you had :
" I sigh all day, I pine away,
" I really believe you'll put me mad."

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### MY SORROW, DEEP SORROW, INCESSANT RETURNING.

TRANSLATED, FOR THIS WORK, FROM THE GAELIC,

### By MRS GRANT.

#### AIR-MACGREGOR OF RUARA'S LAMENT.

The following Translation of the very popular and ancient Gaelic Song of MACGREGOR NA RUARA, the Editor has no doubt will be peculiarly acceptable to those who know the Original, and can judge of the fidelity of the English version. It would appear that Mac-Gregor had, by some intestine commotion, been banished from his inheritance of Glenlyon; and while wandering as an outlaw through the mountains of Inverness-shire, that he, along with several Foster Brothers, his guides and protectors, had been surprised and killed by his enemies. One of the Foster-Brothers, who survived, gives vent to his feelings in the lamentation which follows, viz.

M y sorrow, deep sorrow, incessant returning, Time still as it flies adds increase to my mourning, When I think of Macgregor, true heir of Glenlyon, Where still to sad fancy his banners seem flying. Of Macgregor na Ruara, whose pipes far resounding, . With their bold martial strain set each bosom a-bounding, My sorrow, deep sorrow, incessant returning, Time still as it flies adds increase to my mourning.

Now, dead to the honour and pride I inherit, Not the blow of a vassal could rouse my sad spirit ! Tho' insult or injury now should oppress me, My protector is gone, and nought else can distress me. Deaf to my loud sorrows and blind to my weeping, My aid, my support, in yon chapel lies sleeping, In that cold narrow bed he shall slumber for ever, Yet nought from my fancy his image can sever.

The badge of Strathspey from yon pine by the fountain, Distinguish'd the hero when climbing the mountain, The plumes of the eagle gave wings to his arrow, And destruction fled wide from the bow bent so narrow; His darts, so well polish'd and bright, were a treasure That the son of a king might have boasted with pleasure. When the brave son of Murdoch so gracefully held them, Well pois'd and sure aim'd, never weapon excell'd them. He that shar'd the kind breast which my infancy nourish'd, Now hid in the earth, leaves no trace where he flourish'd. No obsequies fitting his pale corse adorning, No funeral honours to soothe our long mourning, No virgins high born, with their tears to bedew thee, To deck out thy grave, or with flowrets to strew thee. My sorrow, deep sorrow, incessant returning, Time still as it flies adds increase to my mourning.

### FROM THE CHACE ON THE MOUNTAINS, &c.

#### THE SAME AIR.

FROM the chace on the mountains as I was returning, By the side of a fountain Malvina sat mourning; To the winds that loud whistled, she told her sad story, And the vallies re-echo'd Macgregor a Ruara! Like a flash of red light'ning o'er the heath came Macara, More fleet than the roe-buck on lofty Ben-lara; "Oh! where is Macgregor? say, where does he hover? "Say, son of bold Calmar, why tarries my lover?

The voice of soft sorrow from his bosom thus sounded, • Low lies your Macgregor, pale, mangled, and wounded, • Spent with watching and toil, to the rocks I convey'd him, • Where the sons of black malice to his foes have betray'd him.' As the blast from the mountain soon nips the fair blossom, So died the soft bud of fond hope in her bosom ; • O Macgregor, (she cried,) is betray'd and surrounded ! • By falsehood betray'd, and by treachery wounded !"

Near the brook in the vale now the green turf does hide her, And Macgregor in silence reposes beside her : Secure is their dwelling from foes and black slander ; Near the loud roaring waters their spirits oft wander.











# HARKEN AND I WILL TELL YOU HOW.

HARKEN, and I will tell you how Young Muirland Willie came to woo, Tho' he could neither say nor do, The truth I tell to you; But ay he cries, whate'er betide, Maggy I'se hae to be my bride, With a fal, dal, &c.

> On his grey mare as he did ride, Wi' durk and pistol by his side, He prick'd her on wi' meikle pride, Wi' meikle mirth and glee, Out o'er yon moss, out o'er yon muir, Till he came to her daddy's door, With a fal, dal, &c.

#### AIR-MUIRLAND WILLIE.

I have three owsen in a pleugh,
Twa gude ga'en yades and gear eneugh,
The place they ca' it Caldeneugh;
I scorn to tell a lie:
Besides, I hae frae the great laird,
A peat-pat and a lang kail-yard,
With a fal, dal, &c.

The maid put on her kirtle brown,
She was the brawest in a' the town;
I wat on him she didna gloom,
But blinkit bonnilie.
The lover he stended up in haste,
And gript her hard about the waist;
With a fal, dal, &c.

Your doughter wad na say me na, But to yoursell she's left it a', As we cou'd 'gree between us twa; Say, what 'll ye gie me wi' her? Now, wooer, quoth he, I hae na meikle, But sic 's I hae, ye's get a pickle, With a fal, dal, &c.

A kilnfu' of corn I'll gie to thee,
Three soums of sheep, twa good milk kye,
Ye's hae the wedding dinner free;
Troth I dow do nae mair.
Content, quoth he, a bargain be 't,
I'm far frae hame, mak' haste, let 's do 't,
With a fal, dal, &c.

Goodman, quoth he, be ye within, I'm come your doughter's love to win, I carena for making meikle din;

What answer gi'e ye me? Now wooer, quoth he, would ye light down, I'll gi'e ye my doughter's love to win, With a fal, dal, &c.

Now wooer, sin ye are lighted down, Where do ye won, or in what town? I think my doughter winna gloom On sic a lad as ye. The wooer he step'd into the house, And vow but he was wondrous crouse, With a fal, dal, &c. To win your love, maid, I 'm come here, I 'm young, and hae enough o' gear ; And for mysell you needna fear, Troth tak me whan you like. He took aff his bonnet, and spat in his chew, He dighted his gab, and prie'd her mou', With a fal, dal, &c.

The maiden blush'd and bing'd fu' law, She hadna will to say him na, But to her daddy she left it a', As they twa cou'd agree. The lover he ga'e her the tither kiss, Syne ran to her daddy, and tell'd him this, With a fal, dal, &c.

(Last Stanza,) Sic hirdum, dirdum, and sic din, Sic daffin, laughin, and sic fun, The minstrels they did never blin', Wi' meikle mirth and glee. And ay they bobit, and ay they beck't, And ay they cross'd and merrily met,\* With a fal, dal, &c. The bridal day it came to pass, Wi' mony a blythsome lad and lass; But sicken a day there never was, Sic mirth was never seen. This winsome couple straked hands, Mess John tied up the marriage bands, With a fal, dal, &c.

And our bride's maidens were na few, Wi' tap-knots, lug-knots, a' in blue, Frae tap to tae they were bra' new, And blinkit bonnilie. Their toys and mutches were sae clean, They glanced in our lads's een, With a fal, dal, &c.

\* The critical observer will find, that the Editor has taken the liberty of altering two lines of the last stanza, viz. the second and the sixth. He thought it a pity that there should be any thing in such a truly excellent song to render it objectionable in good company. But lest he should fall under the heavy displeasure of the antiquary, he shall subjoin the original lines. Would it were in his power to add the Name of the Author of the above most masterly composition. BURNS, with his characteristic enthusiasm, said, it had given him many a heart-ache to think, that the men of genius who had composed our fine Scottish lyrics should be unknown.

#### Original lines.

Wi' he o'er her, and she o'er him.
 And ay their wames together met.



### THICKEST NIGHT O'ERHANG MY DWELLING.

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WRITTEN

By BURNS.

#### AIR-STRATHALLAN'S LAMENT.

The Poet here supposes Lord Strathallan giving vent to his sorrows, while he lay concealed in some cave of the Highlands, after the defeat and dispersion of his party, in following the fortunes of the Chevalier de St GEORGE. In the Poet's Memoranda respecting Scottish songs, we find the following notice of Strathallan's lament : " This air is the composition of one of the worthiest and best hearted men " living, Allan Masterton, Schoolmaster in Edinburgh. As he and I were both sprouts of Jacobitism, we agreed to dedicate the words " and air to that cause. But, to tell the truth, except when my passions were heated by some accidental cause, my Jacobitism was " merely by way of vive la bagatelle."

**T**HICKEST night o'erhang my dwelling! Howling tempests o'er me rave ! Turbid torrents, wintry swelling, Still surround my lonely cave. Chrystal streamlets gently flowing, Busy haunts of base mankind, Western breezes softly blowing, Suit not my distracted mind.

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In the cause of right engaged, Wrongs injurious to redress, Honour's war we strongly waged, But the Heavens deny'd success. Ruin's wheel has driven o'er us, Not a hope that dare attend; The wide world is all before us, But a world without a friend !











### O WILLIE BREW'D A PECK O' MAUT.

WRITTEN

### By BURNS.

#### AIR-THE HAPPY TOPERS.

The Poct says, "This Air is Allan Masterton's; the Song mine. The occasion of it was this: Mr William Nicol, of the High-"School, Edinburgh, during the Autumn vacation, being at Moffat, honest Allan, then on a visit to Dalswinton, and I, went to "pay Nicol a visit. We had such a joyous meeting, that Mr Masterton and I agreed, each in our own way, to celebrate it."

WILLIE brew'd a peck o' maut, And Rob and Allan came to see,
Three blyther hearts, that lee lang night, Ye wad na found in Christendie.
We are na fu', we 're nae that fu', But just a drappy in our e'e;
The cock may craw, the day may daw, And ay we'll taste the barley bree. We are na fu', &c.

Here are we met, three merry boys,
Three merry boys, I trow, are we;
And mony a night we've merry been,
And mony mae we hope to be.
We are na fu', we're nae that fu',
But just a drappy in our e'e;
The cock may craw, the day may daw,
And ay we'll taste the barley bree.
We are na fu', &c.

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It is the moon,—I ken her horn, That's blinking in the lift sae hie; She shines sae bright to wyle us hame, But by my sooth she'll wait a wee! We are na fu', we're nae that fu', But just a drappy in our e'e; The cock may craw, the day may daw, And ay we'll taste the barley bree. We are na fu', &c.

Wha first shall rise to gang awa,
A cuckold coward loun is he !
Wha first beside his chair shall fa',
He is the king amang us three.
We are na fu', we're nae that fu',
But just a drappy in our e'e;
The cock may craw, the day may daw,
And ay we'll taste the barley bree.
We are na fu', &c.

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# WHAT AILS THIS HEART OF MINE.

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WRITTEN

By MISS BLAMIRE.

THE AIR COMPOSED FOR THE WORDS BY WILLIAM CLARKE, ORGANIST, EDINBURGH.

And never before published.

W<sub>HAT</sub> ails this heart of mine, What means this wat'ry e'e? What gars me ay turn cauld as death, When I tak' leave o' thee? When thou art far awa', Thou'lt dearer grow to me; But change o' place, and change o' folk

May gar thy fancy jee.

Then I'll sit down and moan, Beneath yon spreading tree, And gin a leaf fa' in my lap, I'll ca't a word frae thee ! Syne I'll gang to the bower Which thou wi' roses tied, 'Twas there, by mony a blushing bud, I strove my love to hide.

I'll doat on ilka spot
Where I ha'e been wi' thee :
I'll ca' to mind some fond love tale
By ev'ry burn and tree.
'Tis hope that cheers the mind,
Though lovers absent be ;
And when I think I see thee still,
I think I'm still with thee.








### COULD I FIND A BONNY GLEN, WARM AND CALM, &c.

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WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By Mrs GRANT.

AIR\_THE WISH.

COULD I find a bonny glen, Warm and calm, warm and calm, Could I find a bonny glen, Warm and calm ; Free frae din, and far frae men, There my wanton kids I'd pen, Where woodbines shade some den, Breathing balm, breathing balm, Where woodbines shade some den, Breathing balm.

Where the dashing waterfall Echoes round, echoes round, Where the dashing waterfall Echoes round ; And the rustling aspin tall, And the owl at ev'ning's call, Plaining from the ivy'd wall, Joins the sound, joins the sound, Plaining from the ivy'd wall, Joins the sound, be ivy'd wall,

Where the steep and woody hill Shields the deer, shields the deer, Where the steep and woody hill Shields the deer; Where the wood-lark singing shrill, Guards his nest beside the rill, And the thrush with tawny bill Warbles clear, warbles clear, And the thrush with tawny bill Warbles clear.

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There my only love I'd own, All unseen, all unseen, There my only love I'd own, All unseen; There I'd live for her alone, To the restless world unknown, And my heart should be the throne For my queen, for my queen; And my heart should be the throne For my queen.



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#### THERE LIV'D ANCE A CARLE IN KELLYBURN BRAES.

#### AIR-KELLYBURN BRAES.

This Song, which is said to be old, was communicated by BURNS, and probably received some touches from him.

HERE liv'd ance a carle in Kellyburn-braes, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme, And he had a wife was the plague of his days, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

Ae day as the carle gaed up the lang glen, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme, He met wi' auld Nick, wha said, " How do you fen?" And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

" I've got a bad wife, Sir, that's a' my complaint, " Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme ;

" For, saving your presence, to her ye're a saint !

- " And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime."
- " It's neither your stot nor your staig I shall crave,
  - · Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' tayme ;
- " But gi'e me your wife, man, for her I must have,
  - " And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime."

" O welcome most kindly, the blythe carle said, " Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme ; Now he's ta'en her hame to his ain reeky den, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme; To its blackest nook he has carried her ben, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

Then straight he makes fifty, the pick o' his band, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme, Turn out on her guard in the clap of a hand, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

The carlin gaed through them like ony mad bear, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme; Whae'er she gat hands on cam' near her nae mair, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

A reekit wee deevil looks ower the wa', Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme,

" O help! master, help! or she'll ruin us a'," And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

Auld Sootie then swore by the edge of his knife, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme;
He pitied the man that was ty'd to a wife, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

" But if ye can match her, ye're waur than ye're ca'd,

" And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime."

So Nickie then got the auld wife on his back, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme; And like a poor pedlar he trudg'd wi' his pack, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

- I ha'e been a de'il now the feck o' my life,
  Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme;
- " But ne'er was in hell till I met wi' a wife,
- " And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime."

So Clootie was glad to return wi' his-pack, Hey and the rue grows bonny wi' thyme; And to her ain henpeck e'en carried her back, And the thyme it is wither'd, and rue is in prime.

### HECH! WHAT A CHANGE\_OR, OLD AND NEW TIMES IN EDINBURGH.

#### WRITTEN

### By AEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

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#### THE SAME AIR.

In singing the following words to the air, the crotchet which ends the 2d, 4th, 6th, and 8th lines, must be made two quavers; and a quaver must sometimes be added at the beginning of the lines.

HECH! what a change ha'e we now in this town! The lads a' sae braw, the lasses sae glancin', Folk maun be dizzie gaun ay in the roun', For de'il a haet's done now but feastin' and dancin'.

Gowd's no that scanty in ilk siller pock,

When ilka bit laddie maun ha'e his bit staigie; But I kent the day when there was nae a Jock But trotted about upon honest shanks-nagie.

Little was stown then, and less gaed to waste, Barely a mullin for mice or for rattens; The thrifty house-wife to the flesh-market pac'd, Her equipage a'-just a gude pair o' pattens. Folk were as gude then, and friends were as leal, Tho' coaches were scant, wi' their cattle a-cantrin';

Right air we were tell't by the house-maid or chiel, "Sir, an' ye please, here's your lass and a lantern."

The town may be clouted and pieced, till it meets A' neebours benorth and besouth, without haltin'; Brigs may be biggit owr lums and owr streets, The Nor' loch itsel' heaped heigh as the Calton.

But whar is true friendship, and whar will you see A' that is gude, honest, modest, and thrifty? Tak' grey hairs and wrinkles, and hirple wi' me, And think on the seventeen hundred and fifty.











#### YE GALES THAT GENTLY WAVE THE SEA.

WRITTEN

ALLAN RAMSAY. By

### AIR\_THE BOATMAN.

 $\mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{E}}$  gales that gently wave the sea, And please the canny boatman, Bear me from hence, or bring to me My brave, my bonny Scot-man: In haly bands we join'd our hands, Yet may not this discover, While parents rate a large estate, Before a faithfu' lover.

But I loor chuse in Highland glens To herd the kid and goat, man, Ere I could for sic little ends Refuse my bonny Scot-man. Wae worth the man wha first began The base ungenerous fashion, Frae greedy views love's arts to use, While stranger to its passion.

Frae foreign fields, my lovely youth, Haste to thy longing lassie, Who pants to press thy balmy mouth, And in her bosom hause thee. Love gi'es the word, then haste on board, Fair winds and tenty boatmen, Waft o'er, waft o'er, frae yonder shore,

My blythe, my bonny Scot-man

# HOW MILD THAT EVE THE SUN WENT DOWN.

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

#### JOHN RICHARDSON, Esq. By

#### THE SAME AIR.

How mild that eve the sun went down, The west with roses strewing; How gently sigh'd the evening gale, The closing flowers bedewing; When first you promis'd to be mine, And in my arms reclining, Vow'd by the evening's lovely star, That hour so brightly shining.

The crimson light that hardly pierc'd The thorn's luxuriant blossom, With deeper blushes gently ting'd Thy glowing cheek and bosom. Oft yet I feel the balmy gale That breath'd, our soul's delighting, Oft yet I hear each warbler's song To love and joy inviting.

I hear the murmur of the rill Beneath the birches flowing; Still see the wild flowers varied hues That on its banks were growing. For ever dear shall mem'ry hold That evening's sacred pleasure! And dear the partner of its joys Beyond all earthly treasure !



### WHEN FIRST I CAME TO BE A MAN.

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#### WRITTEN BY

### The Rev. JOHN SKINNER.

#### AIR-JOHN O' BADENYON.

WHEN first I came to be a man, Of twenty years or so, I thought myself a handsome youth, And fain the world would know; In best attire I stept abroad, With spirits brisk and gay, And here and there, and ev'ry where, Was like a morn in May. No care I had, nor fear of want, But rambled up and down; And for a beau I might have pass'd In country or in town: I still was pleas'd where-e'er I went, And when I was alone, I tun'd my pipe, and pleas'd myself With John of Badenyon.

When love had thus my heart beguil'd With foolish hopes and vain, To Friendship's port I steer'd my course, And laugh'd at lovers' pain: A friend I got by lucky chance, 'Twas something like divine; An honest friend 's a precious gift, And such a gift was mine. And now, whatever might betide, A happy man was I; In any strait I knew to whom I freely might apply : A strait soon came, my friend I try'd He heard, and spurn'd my moan ; I hied me home, and tun'd my pipe To John of Badenyon.

What next to do, I mus'd a while, Still hoping to succeed : I pitch'd on Books for company, And gravely tried to read ; I bought and borrow'd ev'ry where, And study'd night and day; Nor miss'd what dean or doctor wrote That happen'd in my way. Philosophy I now esteem'd The ornament of youth, And carefully, thro' many a page, I hunted after truth : A thousand various schemes I try'd, And yet was pleas'd with none; I threw them by, and tun'd my pipe To John of Badenyon.

Now, in the days of youthful prime, A Mistress I must find ; For love, they say, gives one an air, And ev'n improves the mind : On Phillis fair, above the rest, Kind fortune fix'd my eyes; Her piercing beauty struck my heart, And she became my choice : To Cupid, then, with hearty pray'r, I offer'd many a vow, And danc'd and sung, and sigh'd and swore, As other lovers do: But when at last I breath'd my flame, I found her cold as stone ; I left the girl, and tun'd my pipe To John of Badenyon.

I thought I should be wiser next, And would a Patriot turn; Began to dot on Johny Wilkes, And cry up Parson Horne. Their noble spirit I admir'd, And prais'd their manly zeal, Who had with flaming tongue and pen Maintain'd the public weal. But ere a month or two was past, I found myself betray'd; 'Twas self and party after all, For all the stir they made. At last I saw these factious knaves Insult the very throne, I curs'd them all, and tun'd my pipe To John of Badenyon.

And now, ye youngsters, ev'ry where, Who want to make a show, Take heed in time, nor vainly hope For happiness below; What you may fancy pleasure here, Is but an empty name ; For girls, and friends, and books, and so, You'll find them all the same. Then be advis'd, and warning take, From such a man as me; I'm neither pope nor cardinal, Nor one of high degree ; You'll find displeasure ev'ry where, Then do as I have done; E'en tune your pipe, and please yourself With John of Badenyon.









### I LO'E NE'ER A LADDIE BUT ANE.

WRITTEN

By HECTOR MACNEILL, Esq.

#### AIR\_HAPPY DICK DAWSON.

This Air is so like " My Lodging is on the cold ground," that the one must have been taken from the other.

LO'E ne'er a laddie but ane,

" Dear lassie," he cries wi' a jeer,

He loe's ne'er a lassie but me, He promis'd to mak me his ain, And his ain I surely will be. He coft me a rokely o' blue, And a pair o' mittens sae green ; The price was a kiss o' my mou', And I paid him his debt yestreen.

My mither's ay making a fraise, And says I'm o'er young for a wife; But lang e'er she counted my days, My father had ta'en her for life; Sae, mither, just settle your tongue, And dinna be flyting sae bauld; For if we're not married when young, We'll never be married when auld.

Let ithers brag weel o' their gear, Their land and their lordly degree ; I carena for aught but my dear,

For he's ilka thing lordly to me : His words are sae sugar'd and sweet ! His sense drives ilk fear far awa ! I listen—poor fool ! and I greet ;

Yet how sweet are the tears as they fa'!

" Ne'er heed what the auld anes will say,
" Tho' we've little to brag of, ne'er fear,
" What's gowd to a heart that is wae?
" Our laird has baith honours and wealth,
" Yet see how he's dwining wi' care ;
" Now we, tho' we've naething but health,
" Are canty and leal evermair.

" O Marion! the heart that is true " Has something mair costly than gear ;

" Ilk e'en it has naething to rue, " Ilk morn it has naething to fear.

"Ye wardlings! gae hoard up your store, "And tremble for fear aught ye type:

"Guard your treasures wi' lock, bar, and door, "While thus in my arms I lock mine."

He ends wi' a kiss and a smile, Waes me! can I tak' it amiss, When a lad sae unpractis d in guile, Smiles saftly, and ends wi' a kiss ! Ye lasses wha lo'e to torment

Your lovers wi' fause scorn and strife, Play your pranks—for I've gi'en my consent, And this night I'll tak' Jamie for life.



### KEEN BLAWS THE WIND, &c.- A FRAGMENT. By Mr PICKERING.

#### AIR\_THE MINSTREL.

KEEN blaws the wind o'er Donocht head, The snaw drives snelly thro' the dale, The Gaberlunzie tirls my sneck,

And shivering tells his waefu' tale-

- " Cauld is the night, O let me in, "And dinna let your minstrel fa'!
- " And dinna let his winding-sheet

" Be naething but a wreath o' snaw !

" Full ninety winters have I seen,

" And piped where gorcocks whirring flew,

- " And mony a day ye've danc'd, I ween,
  - " To lilts which from my drone I blew !"

My Eppie wak'd, and soon she cry'd,

" Get up, gudeman, and let him in,

" For weel ye ken the winter night "Was short when he began his din."

My Eppie's voice, O wow its sweet ! E'en tho' she bans and scolds a wee, But when its tun'd to sorrow's tale, O haith ! its doubly dear to me.

- " Come in, auld carle, I'll steer my fire, " I'll make it bleeze a bonnie flame;
- " Your bluid is thin, ye've tint the gate, " You should na stray sae far frae hame."
- " Nae hame have I," the minstrel said, " Sad party strife o'erturned my ha',
- " And, weeping, at the eve of life, " I wander thro' a wreath o' snaw !"

AS I STOOD BY YON ROOFLESS TOWER.\_A VISION. By BURNS.

#### THE SAME AIR.

As I stood by yon roofless tower,

Where the wa' flower scents the dewy air, Where the howlet mourns in her ivy bower,

And tells the midnight moon her care. The winds were laid, the air was still,

The stars they shot along the sky; The fox was howling o'er the hill,

And the distant echoing glens reply.

The stream adown its hazelly path Was rushing by the ruin'd wa's, Hasting to join the sweeping Nith,

Whase distant roaring swells and fa's. The cauld blue north was streaming forth Her lights, wi' hissing eerie din ; Athort the lift they start and shift, Like fortune's favours, tint as win.

\* By heedless chance I turn'd mine eyes, And, by the moon-beam, shook to see A stern and stalwart ghaist arise, Attir'd as minstrels wont to be: Had I a statue been o' stane, His daring look had daunted me;

And on his bonnet graved was plain, The sacred posy—LIBERTIE.

And frae his harp sic strains did flow, Might rous'd the slumbering dead to hear, But, oh, it was a tale of woe, As ever met a Briton's ear!

He sang wi' joy his former day,

He weeping wail'd his latter times; But what he said it was nae play, I winna venture't in my rhymes †

\* Fariation .- Now looking over firth and fauld, Her horn the pale-fac'd Cynthia rear'd, When, lo, in form of minstrel auld, A stern and stalwart ghaist appear'd.

+ The following note is from the pen of Dr CURRIE: " This poem, an imperfect copy of which was printed in JOHNSON'S " Museum, is here given from the Poet's MS., with his last corrections. The scenery, so finely described, is taken from nature. " The Poet is supposed to be musing by night on the banks of the river Cluden, and by the ruins of Lincluden Abbey, founded " in the twelfth century, of whose present situation the reader may find some account in PENNANT'S Tour in Scotland, or " GROSE'S Antiquities of that division of the island. Such a time and such a place are well fitted for holding converse with ærial " beings. Though this poem has a political bias, yet it may be presumed that no reader of taste, whatever his opinions may be, " would forgive its being omitted. Our Poet's prudence suppressed the song of Libertie, perhaps fortunately for his reputation. " It may be questioned whether, even in the resources of his genius, a strain of poetry could have been found worthy of the

" grandeur and solemnity of this preparation."

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### 'TIS NAE VERY LANG SINSYNE.

#### AIR-FY LET'S A' TO THE BRIDAL.

Is nae very lang sinsyne That I had a lad of my ain; But now he's awa' to anither, And left me a' my lane. The lass he's courting has siller, And I hae nane at a'; 'Tis nought but the love o' the tocher That's tane my lad awa'.

But I'm blythe that my heart's my ain, And I'll keep it a' my life,
Until that I meet wi' a lad Wha has sense to wale a good wife.
For though I say't mysel, That shou'd nae say't, 'tis true,
The lad that gets me for a wife, He'll ne'er hae occasion to rue.

I gang ay fu' clean and fu' tosh, As a' the neighbours can tell ; Though I've seldom a gown on my back But sic as I spin mysell. And when I am clad in my curt'sey, I think mysell as braw As Susie, wi' a her pearling, That's taen my lad awa'. But I wish they were buckled together, And may they live happy for life;
Tho' Willie does slight me, and 's left me, The chield he deserves a good wife.
But, O! I'm blythe that I've miss'd him, As blythe as I weel can be;
For ane that's sae keen o' the siller Will ne'er agree wi' me.

But, as the truth is, I'm hearty,
I hate to be scrimpit and scant;
The wee thing I ha'e I'll mak use o't,
And nae ane about me shall want.
For I'm a gude guide o' the warld,
I ken when to haud and to gi'e;
But whinging and cringing for siller,
Will ne'er agree wi' me.

Contentment is better than riches, And he wha has that has enough; The master is seldom sae happy As Robin that drives the plough. But if a young lad would cast up, To mak' me his partner for life, If the chield has the sense to be happy, He'll fa' on his feet for a wife.

#### THE DOGS,\_A POLITICAL SONG.

#### WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK,

### By HECTOR MACNEILL, Esq.

#### THE SAME AIR.

Y ou ask me why great dogs should snarle, When we little dogs can agree?
I answer—the cause of all quarrel Is nought but—the love of a fee.
Look round for a clear illustration; Look round, and as clearly you'll see,
That every great dog in his station Is snarling for love of a fee.

The first on the list of the great, Sir, Is mighty great Bonaparté : He quarrels with kingdom and state, Sir, Unbounded dominion's his fee. The great dog of all the great Prussias Snarl'd fierce till he met Dumouri'r, Then run—broke his word, and ne'er blushes, But laughs at John Bull for his fee.

From kings, Sir, look down to our commons, Ev'n there, too, great dogs disagree;
All bark about freedom, like Romans, But all for the love of a fee.
Our demo-dogs all turn debate dogs And yelp under LIBERTY's lee;
Make every thing bad in our state-dogs, And howl for the—want of a fee. Our loyal dogs bark what they're able, Make every thing happy and free; Look round to the treasury table, And modestly bawl for a fee: Each party the other despises, (The Outs and Inns ne'er can agree) Self interest's the blister that rises, The plaster that heals is a fee.

Make Brinsley the clerk of the Navy, Give Charlie the Exchequer key, I warrant they soon cry *peccavi*, And snarle no more for a fee. See Billy, the boast of our nation, None once was more snarling than he; But, mark, now !—how calm in his station, For long has he finger'd the fee.

You ask, then, if truth is a vapour? And honour vain phantoms that flee?
I answer, if truth lights the taper, The extinguisher 's always a fee.
Then ask not why great dogs will quarrel, But wonder how such e'er agree,
Dogs must shew their teeth when they snarle For the bone of contention—a fee.



### A HIGHLAND LAD MY LOVE WAS BORN.

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### By BURNS.

WRITTEN

#### AIR\_THE WHITE COCKADE.

HIGHLAND lad my love was born, A The lawland laws he held in scorn ; But he still was faithful to his clan, My gallant braw John Highlandman. Sing hey, my braw John Highlandman, Sing ho, my braw John Highlandman, There's not a lad in a' the land, Was match for my John Highlandman.

They banish'd him beyond the sea, But ere the bud was on the tree Adown my cheeks the pearls ran, Embracing my John Highlandman! Sing hey, &c.

But oh ! they catch'd him at the last, And bound him in a dungeon fast; My curse upon them every one, They 've hang'd my braw John Highlandman! Sing hey, &c.

With his philabeg and tartan plaid, And good claymore down by his side, The ladies hearts he did trepan, My gallant braw John Highlandman! Sing hey, &c.

We ranged a' from Tweed to Spey, And liv'd like lords and ladies gay; For a lawland face he feared nane, My gallant braw John Highlandman! Sing hey, &c.

And now a widow I must mourn Departed joys that ne'er return; No comfort but a hearty can, When I think on John Highlandman! Sing hey, my braw John Highlandman, Sing ho, my braw John Highlandman, There's not a lad in a' the land, Was match for my John Highlandman.

### THE OLD SONG.

#### THE SAME AIR.

My love was born in Aberdeen, The bonniest lad that e'er was seen; But now he makes our hearts fu' sad, He takes the field wi' his white cockade. O he's a ranting, roving lad, He is a brisk and bonny lad, Betide what may, I will be wed, And follow the boy wi' the white cockade.

I'll sell my rock, my reel, my tow, My gude grey mare, and hawkit cow, To buy mysel a tartan plaid, To follow the boy wi' the white cockade. O he's a ranting, roving lad, He is a brisk and bonny lad, Betide what may, I will be wed, And follow the boy wi' the white cockade.







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### THE LAWLAND MAIDS GANG TRIG AND FINE.

WRITTEN

By ALLAN RAMSAY.

#### AIR\_THE OLD HIGHLAND LADDIE.

THE lawland maids gang trig and fine, But aft they're sour and unco saucy; Sae proud they never can be kind, Like my good-humour'd highland lassie. O my bonny, bonny highland lassie, My hearty smiling highland lassie; May never care make thee less fair, But bloom of youth still bless my lassie.

Than ony lass in burrows-town,

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There's nane shall dare, by deed or word, 'Gainst her to wag a tongue or finger,
While I can wield my trusty sword,
Or frae my side whisk out a whinger.
O my bonny, &c.

O'er highest heathery hills I'll sten, With cockit gun and ratches tenty, To drive the deer out of their den, To feast my lass on dishes dainty.

Wha mak' their cheeks with patchies motie, I'd tak' my Katie but a gown, Barefooted, in her little coatie.

O my bonny, &c.

Beneath the brier or brecken bush, Whene'er I kiss and court my dawtie, Happy and blythe as ane wad wish, My flighterin' heart gangs pittie-pattie. O my bonny, &c. O my bonny, &c.

The mountains clad with purple bloom,
And berries ripe, invite my treasure
To range with me, let great fowk gloom,
While wealth and pride confound their pleasure.
O my bonny, bonny highland lassie,
My hearty smiling highland lassie,
May never care make thee less fair,
But bloom of youth still bless my lassie.

### COME, FETCH TO ME A PINT O' WINE.

#### WRITTEN

### By BURNS.

#### THE SAME AIR.

Соме, fetch to me a pint o' wine, And fill it in a silver tassie, That I may drink before I go A service to my bonny lassie. The boat rocks at the pier of Leith, Fu' loud the wind blaws frae the ferry, The ship rides by the Berwick-law, And I maun leave my bonny Mary.

The trumpets sound, the banners fly, The glitt'ring spears are ranked ready, The shouts o' war are heard afar,

The battle closes deep and bloody : It's not the roar o' sea or shore,

Wou'd make me longer wish to tarry; Nor shouts o' war that's heard afar, It's leaving thee, my bonny Mary.



### SAE FLAXEN WERE HER RINGLETS.

WRITTEN

By BURNS.

IRISH AIR\_OONAGH.

The Heroine of these Verses was Miss Lorimer of Craigieburn near Moffat.

SAE flaxen were her ringlets, Her eye-brows of a darker hue,
Bewitchingly o'er-arching Twa laughing een o' bonny blue.
Her smiling, sae wiling,
Wou'd make a wretch forget his woe;
What pleasure, what treasure,
Unto these rosy lips to grow !
Such was my Chloris' bonnie face,
When first her bonnie face I saw;
And ay my Chloris' dearest charm,
She says she lo'es me best of a'.

Like harmony her motion; Her pretty ancle is a spy, Betraying fair proportion, Wou'd make a saint forget the sky; Sae warming, sae charming, Her faultless form and graceful air; Ik feature !—auld Nature Declar'd that she cou'd do nae mair ! Her's are the willing chains o' love, By conquering beauty's sov'reign law; And ay my Chloris' dearest charm, She says she lo'es me best of a'.

Let others love the city,

And gaudy show at sunny noon; Gi'e me the lonely valley,

The dewy eve, and rising moon; Fair beaming, and streaming

Her silver light the boughs amang ; While falling, recalling,

The amorous thrush concludes his sang; There, dearest Chloris, wilt thou rove,

By wimpling burn and leafy shaw, And hear my vows o' truth and love, And say thou lo'es me best of a'.









### THE GABERLUNZIE MAN.

#### SAID TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN

#### By KING JAMES V.

#### ON AN ADVENTURE OF HIS OWN, WHILE ON A RAMBLE IN THE DISGUISE OF AN OLD BEGGAR OR TINKER.

#### AIR-THE BRISK YOUNG LAD.

The Editor finds that the following ballad may be sung with much greater effect to this air, than to the tune with which the verses have commonly been joined; "the brisk young lad" being a lively air, within the compass of every ordinary voice, while the other air not only wants vivacity, but requires a range of voice which few possess, and of course is seldom or never sung. The Editor has therefore united this excellent humorous ballad to the livelier air; but, to satisfy those who wish to see the other tune, it is engraved at the foot of the plate. The critical reader will perceive, that, in some instances, the Editor has been obliged to shorten the word Gaberlunzie, and slightly to alter a few words for the sake of the Singer; but it is to be observed, that greater alterations would be necessary if the ballad were sung with the former tune, which does not by any means suit the measure, any more than the spirit of the lines; so that it seems more than questionable whether the one was ever intended for the other.

T не pawky auld carle came o'er the lea, Wi' mony gude-eens and days to me, Saying, "Gudewife, for your courtesie, "Will ye lodge a silly poor man?" The night was cauld, the carle was wat, And down ayont the ingle he sat; My doughter's shouthers he 'gan to clap, And cadgily ranted and sang.

Since naething's awa', as we can learn,
The kirn's to kirn, and milk to yearn,
Gae but the house, lass, and waken my bairn,
And bid her come quickly ben.'
The servant gaed where the doughter lay,
The sheets were cauld, she was away,
Gudewife !' she cry'd, 'O welladay !'\*
She's aff wi' the silly poor man !'

" O wow !" quo' he, " were I as free
" As first when I saw this countrie,
" How blythe and merry wad I be !
" And I wad never think lang."
He grew canty, she grew fain,
But little did her auld minny ken
What thir slee twa together were saying,
When wooing they were sae thrang.

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" And O !" quo' he, " were ye as black
" As e'er the crown o' my daddie's hat,
" On a' my kin I'd turn my back, \*
" And awa wi' thee I wou'd gang."
• And Oh !' quo' she, ' were I as white,
• As e'er the snaw lay on the dyke,
• I'd cleid me braw, and lady like,
• And awa' with thee I wou'd gang.'

Between the twa was made a plot— They raise a wee before the cock, And wylily they shot the lock,

And fast to the bent they 're gane. Up in the morn the auld wife raise, And at her leisure put on her claise; Syne to the servant's bed she gaes, To spier for the silly poor man.

She gaed to the bed where the beggar lay, The strae was cauld, he was away; She clap'd her hands, cry'd, ' Duleful day !

For some o' our gear will be gane.'
Some ran to coffer and some to kist,
But nought was stown that could be mist;
She danc'd her lane, cry'd, ' Praise be blest!
I have lodg'd a leal poor man!

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O fy gar ride, and fy gar rin,
And haste, these traitors find again !
For she's be burnt, and he's be slain,

The wearifu' beggarly man !'

Some rode upo' horse, some ran a-fit,
 The wife was wud, and out o' her wit,
 She cou'dna gang, nor yet cou'd she sit,
 But ay she curs'd and she bann'd.

Meantime, far hind out owre the lea,
Fu' snug in a glen, where nane could see,
The twa in kindly sport and glee,
Cut frae a new cheese a whang.
The prieving was gude, it pleas'd them baith ;
To lo'e her for ay he gave her his aith :
Quo' she, ' to leave thee I will be laith,
' My winsome Gab'lunzie man.

O kend my minnie I were wi' you,
Ill-fardly wad she crook her mou;
Sic a poor man she'd never trow,
After the Gab'lunzie man.'
My dear," quo' he, " ye're yet owr young,
And hae nae learnt the beggar's tongue
To carry wi' me frae town to town
The Gaberlunzie on.

Wi' caulk and keel I'll win your bread,
And spinnels and whorles for them wha need;
Whilk is a gentle trade to speed
The Gaberlunzie on.
I'll bow my leg, and crook my knee;
And draw a black clout owr my e'e;
A cripple or blind they will ca' me,
While we shall be merry and sing."

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 The Editor has also taken the liberty to alter the two lines marked with a star, as they appeared to him rather awkwardly worded; but, in order to satisfy the Antiquary, the original lines are here subjoined.

> 'Tis I wad lay thee by my back. And fast to her gudewife 'gan to say.

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### TIBBIE FOWLER O' THE GLEN.

AIR\_TIBBIE FOWLER.

TIBBIE FOWLER o' the glen, There's o'er mony wooing at her, Seven but, and seven ben, And mony mair are wooing at her. Wooing at her, puing at her, Courting at her, canna get her; Filthy elf, it's for her pelf That a' the lads are wooing at her. Wooing at her, &c.

Ten cam east, and ten cam west, Ten cam rowing o'er the water; Twa cam down the lang dyke-side, There's twa and thirty wooing at her. Wooing at her, puing at her, Courting at her, canna get her; She's got pendles in her lugs,
Cockle-shells wad set her better;
High-heel'd shoon and siller tags,
And a' the lads are wooing at her.
Wooing at her, puing at her,
Courting at her, canna get her;
Filthy elf, it's for her pelf
That a' the lads are wooing at her.
Wooing at her, &c.

Be a lassie e'er sae black, If she hae the name o' siller, Set her up on Tintoc tap, The wind will blaw a man till her. Be a lassie e'er sae fair, If she want the penny siller,

Filthy elf, it's for her pelf That a' the lads are wooing at her. Wooing at her, &c. A flie may fell her i' the air Before there come a man till her. Wooing at her, &c.

### WILLIE WASTLE'S WIFE.

#### WRITTEN

#### By BURNS.

#### THE SAME AIR.

WILLIE WASTLE dwalt on Tweed, The spot they ca'd it Linkumdoddie, Willie was a wabster gude,

Cou'd stown a clue wi' ony body ; He had a wife was dour and din,

O Tinkler Madgie was her mither; Sic a wife as Willie had,

I wad na gie a button for her.

She has an e'e, she has but ane,
The cat has twa the very colour;
Five rusty teeth, forbye a stump,
A clapper tongue wad deave a miller;
A whiskin beard about her mou',
Her pose and chin they threaten ither

Her nose and chin they threaten ither; Sic a wife, &c. She's bow-hough'd, she's hein-shinn'd,
Ae limpin leg a hand-breed shorter;
She's twisted right, she's twisted left,
To balance fair in ilka quarter;
She has a hump upon her breast,
The twin o' that upon her shouther;
Sic a wife, &c.

Auld baudrins by the ingle sits, And wi' her loof her face a washin : But Willie's wife is nae sae trig, She dights her grunzie wi' a hushion ; Her walie nieves, like midden creels, Her face wad fyle the Logan Water ; Sic a wife as Willie had,

I wadna gie a button for her.







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instead of a meagre Air in the former editions calld Sir Patrick Spence.

### LET MY LASS BE YOUNG, MY WINE BE OLD.

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#### IRISH AIR-THE THREE CAPTAINS.

This lively and very pleasing Air is introduced in the present Edition instead of a meagre air, called SIR PATRICK SPENCE, which the Editor rather inadvertently admitted into the first Edition of his Work. The

following Verses will be found quite appropriate to the new Air.

LET my lass be young, my wine be old, My cottage snug, friends never cold, My life no tedious tale twice told,

And happy shall I be. Tempt me not with pageant power, Nor give to me the Miser's hoard ; But may Contentment cheer my bower, And Plenty deck my board.

The selfish wretch in pride may roll, And viands cull from pole to pole; My purse shall serve each kindred soul,

And set the hapless free. These, when partial Fate has given, These with health to taste the store, Earth itself becomes a heaven, And nought to wish for more.



### NOW WAT YE WHA I MET YESTREEN.

#### WRITTEN

### By ALLAN RAMSAY.

#### AIR-EDINBURGH KATE.

Now wat ye wha I met yestreen, Coming down the street, my jo? My mistress in her tartan screen,

Fu' bonny, braw, and sweet, my jo. My dear, quoth I, thanks to the night,

That never wish'd a lover ill ; Since ye're out of your mother's sight, Let's tak a walk up to the hill.

O Katie, wilt thou gang wi' me, And leave the dinsome town a while; The blossom's sprouting frae the tree, And a' the summer's gawn to smile; The mavis, blackbird, and the lark, Soon as the clear goodman of day Bends his morning draught of dew, We'll gae to some burn-side and play, And gather flowers to busk your brow. We'll pu' the daisies on the green, The lucken gowans frae the bog; Between hands now and then we'll lean, And rest upon the velvet fog.

There's up into a pleasant glen, A wee piece frae my father's tow'r, A canny, saft, and flow'ry den,

The bleating lambs and whistling hynd, In ilka dale, green shaw, and park, Will nourish health, and glad your mind. Where circling birks have form'd a bow'r: Whene'er the sun grows high and warm, We'll to that caller shade remove, There will I lock thee in mine arm, And breathe the tender tale of love.\*

 The critical reader will perceive that the Editor has made a slight alteration upon the last line of each of the two last stanzas of the above Song.

#### KATE'S ANSWER.

ALSO WRITTEN

### By ALLAN RAMSAY.

#### AIR-MY MITHER'S AY GLOWRIN OWR ME.

My mither's ay glowrin o'er me, . Though she did the same before me, I canna get leave to look at my Love, Or else she'll be like to devour me.

Right fain wad I tak your offer, Sweet Sir, but I'll tine my tocher; Then, Sandy, you'll fret, and wyte your poor Kate, Whene'er ye keek in your toom coffer. For though my father has plenty Of siller, and plenishing dainty, Yet he's unco swear to twin wi' his gear, And sae we hae need to be tenty.

Tutor my parents wi' caution, Be wylie in ilka motion ; Brag weel o' your land, and there's my leal hand, Win them, I'll be at your devotion.



Non wat ye so Mir Edinlaugh hate 19. Now wat ye wha'l met yeftreenComing down the ftreetmy Jo? My mistress in her tartan forcen Fif Andantino grazioso lover ill Since My dear quoth I thanks to the night, That never wish'd bonny braw and sw ye're out of your mothers sight Let's take a walk up to the hill. 0:=--The Answer? My mother's ay glowrin o'er me Tho she did the same be fore me I canna get leave to Allegretto lool, at my Love Or else shell be lille to devour me. Right fainwoud I te vour of \_ fer Sweet Sir but I li tine my to \_ cherThen Sandy youll fet and wyte your poor Kate When\_e'er ye kee's in your toom cof\_ \_ fer. PO: S







#### WHEN O'ER THE HILL THE EASTERN STAR.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By BURNS.

#### AIR\_THE LEA-RIG.

W HEN o'er the hill the eastern star Tells bughtin-time is near, my jo; And owsen frae the furrowed field Return sae dowf and weary O: Down by the burn, where scented birks Wi' dew are hanging clear, my jo, I'll meet thee on the lea-rig, My ain kind dearie O.

At midnight hour, in mirkest glen,

Altho' the night were ne'er sae wild,
And I were ne'er sae wearie O,
I'd meet thee on the lea-rig,
My ain kind dearie O.

The hunter lo'es the morning sun,
To rouse the mountain deer, my jo;
At noon the fisher seeks the glen,
Adown the burn to steer, my jo:
Gi'e me the hour o' gloamin grey,
It makes my heart sae cheery O,
To meet thee on the lea-rig,
My ain kind dearie O.

I'd rove and ne'er be irie O, If thro' that glen I gaed to thee, My ain kind dearie O.

### YE BRAES OF TOUCH, HOW SWEET YE SMILE.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

By A LADY.

#### THE SAME AIR.

Y E braes of Touch, \* how sweet ye smile, When ev'ning lingers in the sky; Your lovely shades my cares beguile Ev'n seen thro' sorrow's wat'ry eye. Not fairer flowers Arcadia blest, Not sweeter Tempe's verdant vale, When in thy green retreats I rest, Where music floats on ev'ry gale.

Ye braes of Touch, how fresh ye bloom, When spring calls forth her earliest flow'rs, I feel my heart its peace resume When shelter'd in your vocal bow'rs.

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Your dashing falls, your tranquil groves, Your wand'ring streams that murmur sweet, Where ease reclines, and freedom roves Around the Muse's fav'rite seat.

Your every wildly-varied charm,
When bright with summer's ardent beams,
Can wounded mem'ry's power disarm,
And raise the soul to happier themes.
Ye braes of Touch, how gay ye smile,
When rising larks salute the day,
Your rural charms my cares beguile,
And wake the long forgotten lay.

• TOUCH, near Stirling, the seat of ARCHIBALD SETON, Esq.—The word is pronounced with the guttural sound of the Scottish dialect; but as that sound would be difficult to the English singer, it may be pronounced as if it were spelled TOUK.

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#### THE GYPSIE'S CAME TO OUR GOOD LORD'S GATE.

#### AIR-JOHNY FAW-OR, THE GYPSIE LADDIE.

Some verses commonly printed as part of this ballad, are here omitted, as being unfit for this work. BURNS, in his Memoranda on Scottish Song, says, that Johny Faw is the only old Song which he could ever trace as belonging to the extensive county of Ayr.

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L HE Gypsies came to our good lord's gate, And wow but they sang sweetly; They sang sac sweet, and sae compleat, That down came our fair lady.

And she came tripping down the stair,Wi' a' her maids before her;As soon as they saw her weel-far'd face,They coost the glamer o'er her.

' O come with me,' says Johny Faw,

' O come with me, my deary ;

For I vow and swear, by the hilt of my sword,
Your lord shall nae mair come near ye.'

" Here, tak frae me this gay mantile, " And bring to me a plaidie;

" Tho' kith and kin and a' had sworn, " I'll follow the gypsie laddie. "Yestreen I lay in a well-made bed,
"And my good lord beside me;
"This night I'll ly in a tenant's barn,
"Whatever shall betide me."

And when our lord came hame at e'en, And speir'd for his fair lady, The tane she cry'd, and the other reply'd, "She's awa wi' the gypsie laddie."

Gae saddle to me the black black steed,
Gae saddle and make him ready,
Before I either eat or sleep,
I'll gae seek my fair lady."

And we were fifteen well-made men, Of courage stout and steady, And we were a' put down for ane, A fair young wanton lady.

A person of the name of JOHNE FAW is said to have been king of the Gypsies in the time of JAMES V., who, about the year 1542, issued a curious proclamation, ordaining all sheriffs, &c. to assist Johne Faw, there stiled, " Lord and Erle of Littil Egypt," in seizing and securing certain fugitive gypsies, in order that they might be punished by Johne, their lord and master, conform to his laws; for which

purpose the magistrates were to lend him their prisons, stocks, fetters, &c. And the king charges his lieges not to molest the said Johne Faw, and his company, in their lawful business within the realm, or in passing through, remaining in, or going forth of the same, under penalty; and all skippers, masters of ships, and mariners, were ordered to receive him and his company, upon their expenses, for furthering them to parts beyond sea. See M·Laurin's Remarkable Cases, p. 774.

It is not improbable that this Johne Faw is the Hero of the above ballad; and the rank and title of the Heroine seems to be ascertained, from the following verse of a different copy:

> There was seven gypsies in a gang, And they were brisk and bonny, O, And they're to be hanged all in a row, For the Erle of Castle's\* lady, O.

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#### CRAZ'D WALTER CAME TO OUR LADY'S GATE.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By Mrs GRANT.

THE SAME AIR.

GRAZ'D WALTER came to our lady's gate, And he sung sad and sweetly ;
" O soft is the smile of my lovely Kate, " It melts my soul completely."
The lady view'd with a scornful frown The gentle maniac's sorrow,
" O look not on me so proudly down, " O look not on me so proudly down,
" I'll wed you, love, to-morrow.
" I'll twine a chaplet round your brow " Of rue, and the wilding's blossom ;
" I'll plunge where spreading lilies grow,

" In yon still water's bosom. " No roof defends me from the sky,

" No blazing hearth does cheer me,

"When wand'ring late where owls do cry, "The passing strangers fear me.

"When bright the frosty moon shines late, "Through dark blue skies so clearly, "Come, see my haunt, O lovely Kate, Beneath yon broad-oak's solemn shade,
"The wither'd leaves I gather;
There is poor Walter's lowly bed,
In wild and wintery weather.

" There, in the dreary hour of night, " When stormy clouds are flying,
" I watch your chamber's distant light, " To view your shadow trying.
" When slumber wraps your careless mind " In downie ease reclining,
" My love-notes mingle with the wind, " In restless anguish pining.

" Frown, ye dark storms of angry night, " Come with your terrors round me;
" Chace from my brain that smile so bright, " The look that first did wound me.
" Or smile once more, my lovely Kate, " To soothe poor Walter's sorrow;
" Think of the wretched wanderer's fate,



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### I MET FOUR CHAPS YON BIRKS AMANG.

#### WRITTEN

By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

AND HERE PUBLISHED BY HIS PERMISSION.

#### AIR-JENNY'S BAWBEE.

 MET four chaps yon birks amang,
 Wi' hinging lugs and faces lang;
 I speer'd at neebour Bauldy Strang Wha's thae I see?
 Quo' he, ilk cream-fac'd pawky chiel,

A Norland Laird neist trotted up, Wi' bawsend nag and siller whup, Cried, "There's my beast, lad, had the grup, " Or tie 't till a tree :

" What's gowd to me, I've wealth o' lan',

Thought he was cunning as the de'il, And here they came, awa to steal Jenny's bawbee.

The first, a Captain to his trade, Wi' skull ill-lined, but back weel clad, March'd round the barn, and by the shed, And pap'd on his knee: Quo' he, " My goddess, nymph, and queen, " Your beauty's dazzled baith my een!" But de'il a beauty he had seen

But-Jenny's bawbee.

A Lawyer neist, wi' blethrin gab, Wha speeches wove like ony wab, In ilk ane's corn ay took a dab,

And a' for a fee.

Accounts he ow'd through a' the town, And tradesmen's tongues nae mair cou'd drown, But now he thought to clout his gown Wi' Jenny's bawbee. " Bestow on ane o' worth your han'." He thought to pay what he was *awn* Wi' Jenny's bawbee.

Dress'd up just like the knave o' clubs, A THING came neist, (but life has rubs,) Foul were the roads, and fu' the dubs,

And jaupit a' was he. He danc'd up, squintin through a glass, And grinn'd, " I' faith a bonnie lass !" He thought to win, wi' front o' brass, Jenny's bawbee.

She bad the Laird gae kaim his wig, The Soger no to strut sae big, The Lawyer no to be a prig,

The Fool cry'd, " Tehee!

" I kent that I could never fail !" But she prinn'd the dish-clout to his tail, And sous'd him wi' a water-pail, And kept her bawbee!



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# CHRO CHALLIN.

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#### TRANSLATED FROM THE GAELIC FOR THIS WORK,

By MRS GRANT.

#### HIGHLAND AIR-CHRO CHALLIN.

The following Song, from the Gaelic, when sent to the Editor, was accompanied by some remarks of the Translator, which shall here be prefixed : " The verses of CRO CHALLIN have lived from the days when agriculture was in is infancy, and continue still to soothe " every fold, and lull every cradle in these wild regions. A literal translation I don't pretend to give, but I will venture to appeal to " every judge of Gaelic and of poetry, whether I have not rendered the spirit of this curious fragment of antiquity. The changes which " time and culture have effected on manners are best traced in popular songs, more particularly the Gaelic fragments, in which the tran-" sitions from the life of a Hun ter to that of a Herdsman, and from that to the more laborious and stationary pursuits of agriculture, " are strongly marked. Anciently the Hunter was admired as a person of manly courage, who, in the pursuit of a livelihood, exerted " the virtues of patience and fortitude, and followed Nature into her most sublime retirements. Herdsmen were then accounted the sons " of little men; sordid, inferior beings, who preferred ease and safety to noble daring, and boundless variety; and were considered to " be as much below the Hunter as the cattle they tended were inferior in grace and agility to the deer the others pursued. Interest, how-" ever, reversed such opinions : In process of time the maidens boasted of the numerous herds of their lovers, and viewed the Huntsman " as a poor wandering adventurer. About this time the Song here translated seems to have been composed. The enamoured nymph, wil-" ling to think Colin as rich as others, talks in an obscure and figurative manner of the Cattle of Colin (Cro Challin,) and pursues the " metaphor through many playful allusions to the deer, roes, fawns, &c. and their manner of sporting and feeding, in a style too mi-" nute for translation : In the end, however, it appears, that the boasted cattle of Colin were no other than those wild commoners of " nature, and his sole profession that of hunting ! I have endeavoured to preserve the tender simplicity of the original, and to render, " almost literally, the fond repetition of endearing epithets. The love-songs of those days were the breathings of real passion : nobody " thought of that most absurd of all things,-a fictitious love-song :

> " And dallies with the innocence of love, " Like the old age."

Mr Colin, lov'd Colin, my Colin, my dear ! Who wont the wild mountains to trace without fear; O where are thy flocks that so swiftly rebound, And fly o'er the heath without touching the ground?

So dappled, so varied, so beauteous their hue, So agile, so graceful, so charming to view; O'er all the wide forest there's nought can compeer With the light-bounding flocks of my Colin, my dear.

My Colin, dear Colin, my Colin, my love! O where are thy herds that so loftily move, With branches so stately their proud heads are crown'd, With their motion so rapid the woods all resound.

Where the birch-trees hang weeping o'er fountains so clear, At noon-day they're sleeping round Colin, my dear. O Colin, sweet Colin, my Colin, my joy ! Must those flocks and those herds all thy moments employ !

To yon waterfall's dashing I tune my sad strain, And gather these violets for Colin in vain; At sun-set he said he would meet with me here, Then where can he linger, my Colin, my dear?

O Colin, my darling, my pleasure, my pride ! While the flocks of rich shepherds are grazing so wide, Regardless I view them, unheeded the swains, Whose herds scatter'd round me adorn the green plains.

Their offers I hear, and their plenty I see, But what are their wealth and their offers to me; While the light-bounding roes, and the wild mountain deer, Are the cattle of Colin, my hunter, my dear!





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### COLIN TO FLORA.\_O WERE I AS FLEET, &c.

WRITTEN FOR THIS WORK

### By MRS GRANT.

#### AIR-THE ROCK AND A WEE PICKLE TOW.

O WERE I as flect as the wings of the wind, In chace of the roes when springing, Love, At the sound of your voice I would loiter behind, So sweet is the charm of your singing, Love. I heard it, I fear'd it, I knew that soft charm Would slacken my speed, and enervate my arm;

See the deer, drawing near, now no more in alarm, Secure through the woodlands are springing, Love.

While Echo, delighted, repeats the sweet sound,
And rocks with the music are ringing, Love;
The hinds with their fawns come enraptur'd around,
And lose all their fears in your singing, Love.\*

If Flora to Mora can gather the deer, All heedless of danger, her accents to hear; While gazing and praising that melody clear, Can Colin his bow be stringing, Love?

Let my arrows be scatter'd, my bow be unstrung, And the deer all in safety be springing, Love; Let me gaze on your eyes, and attend to your tongue, While the woodlands in concert are ringing, Love. While pining and twining the chaplet for me, Thy hunter still chases a vision of thee; My youth and my truth from inconstancy free,

I vow'd to you at the beginning, Love.

 When the maids, milking the cows in distant glens, sing Chro Challin, or any other melody, the deer frequently draw near to listen.

### THE OLD SONG OF

### THE ROCK AND A WEE PICKLE TOW.

HERE was an auld wife had a wee pickle tow, And she wad gae try the spinning o't;
But looting her down, her rock took a low, And that was an ill beginning o't.
She spat on 't, she flet on 't, and tramp'd on its pate, But a' she could do, it wad hae its ain gate;
At last she sat down, and she bitterly grat That ever she try'd the spinning o't.

I hae been a wife these threescore o' years, And ay I kept free o' the spinning o't;
But how I was sarket, foul fa' them that spiers, To mind me o' the beginning o't.
The women are now-a-days turn'd sae braw, That ilk ane maun hae a sark, some maun hae twa;
The world was better when fient ane ava, But a wee rag at the beginning o't.

Foul fa' them that ever advis'd me to spin, That had been sae lang o' beginning o't,I well might have ended as I had begun, And never have try'd the spinning o't.

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But she's a wise wife wha kens her ain weird, I thought anes a-day it wad never be speird, How loot ye the low tak the rock by the beard, When ye gaed to try the spinning o't?

The spinning, the spinning, it gars my heart sab,
To think on the ill beginning o't;
I thought ere I died to have made out a wab,
And this was the first beginning o't.
But had I nine doughters, as I hae but three,
The safest and soundest advice I wou'd gie,
That they frae spinning wou'd keep their hands free,
For fear of an ill beginning o't.

But if they in spite of my counsel would run The dreary sad risk o' the spinning o't,
Let them find a lown seat lighted up by the sun, Syne venture upon the beginning o't:
But to do as I 've done, alack and avow, To busk up a rock at the cheek of a low, They 'll say that I had little wit in my pow,— The meikle deil tak the spinning o't.

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## GOOD NIGHT, &c.\_THE OLD CHIEFTAIN TO HIS SONS.

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WRITTEN

By ALEXANDER BOSWELL, Esq.

AIR-GOOD NIGHT AND JOY BE WI' YE.

Good night and joy be wi' ye a'; Your harmless mirth has cheer'd my heart: May life's fell blasts out o'er ye blaw ! In sorrow may ye never part ! My spirit lives, but strength is gone; The mountain fires now blaze in vain : Remember, sons, the deeds I've done, And in your deeds I'll live again !

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When on yon muir our gallant clan Frae boasting foes their banners tore, Wha show'd himsel a better man, Or fiercer wav'd the red claymore?

But when in peace,—then mark me there— When thro' the glen the wanderer came, I gave him of our hardy fare, I gave him here a welcome hame.

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The auld will speak, the young maun hear,
Be canty, but be good and leal;
Your ain ills ay ha'e heart to bear,
Anither's ay ha'e heart to feel.
So, e'er I set, I'll see you shine,
I'll see you triumph e'er I fa':
My parting breath shall boast you mine;
Good night and joy be wi' ye a'!

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