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TULLOCHGORUM,

To which is added,

THE HIGHLAND

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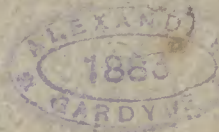
HALLOW FAIR.



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MURDOCHSON
TULLOCHGORUM.

Come gie's a sang the lady cried,
And lay your disputes all aside,
What nonsense is't for folks to chide
For what's been done before them.
Let whig and tory all agree,
Whig and tory, whig and tory,
Let whig and tory all agree
To drop their whigmegmorum.
Let whig and tory all agree
To spend the night with mirth and glee,
And cheerfu' sing along with me
The reel of Tullochgorum.

Tullochgorum's my delight,
It gars us a' in ane unite,
And onie sumph that keeps up spite,
In conscience I abhor him:
Blithe and merry we's be a',
Blithe and merry, blithe and merry,
Blithe and merry we's be a',
To mak a cheerfu' quorum;
Blithe and merry we's be a'
As lang as we hae breath to draw,
And dance till we be like to fa',
The reel of Tullochgorum.

There needs na be sae great a phrase
 With bringing dull Italian lays;
 I wadna gie our ain Strathspies
 For half a hunder score o'm.
 They're dowff and dowie at the best,
 Dowff and dowie, dowff and dowie,
 They're dowff and dowie at the best,
 With a' their variorum:
 They're dowff and dowie at the best,
 Their allegros, and a' the rest,
 They canna please a Highland taste,
 Compared with Tullochgorum.

Let wardly minds themselves oppress,
 With fear of want and double cess,
 And silly sauls themselves distress,
 With keeping up decorum.

Shall we sae sour and sulky sit,
 Sour and sulky, sour and sulky,
 Shall we sae sour and sulky sit,
 Like auld Philosporum?
 Shall we sae sour and sulky sit,
 With neither sense, nor mirth, nor wit,
 And canna rise to shake a fit
 To the reel of Tullochgorum.

May choicest blessings still attend
 Each honest-hearted open friend,
 And calm and quiet be his end,
 Be a' that's gude before him!

May peace and plenty be his lot,
 Peace and plenty, peace and plenty,
 May peace and plenty be his lot,
 And dainties a great store o'ml
 May peace and plenty be his lot,
 Unstained by any vicious blot!
 And may he never want a great
 That's fond of Tullochgorum.

But for the discontented fool,
 Who wants to be oppression's tool
 May envy gnaw his rotten soul,
 And blackest fiends devour him!
 May dool and sorrow be his chance,
 Dool and sorrow, dool and sorrow,
 May dool and sorrow be his chance,
 And honest souls abhor him:
 May dool and sorrow be his chance,
 And a' the ills that come frae France,
 Whae'er he be that winna dance
 The reel of Tullochgorum,

THE HIGHLAND PLAID.

Lowland lassie will ye go,
 Whare the hills are clad wi' snow,
 Whare beneath the icy steep,
 The hardy shepherd tends his sheep;
 Ill nor wae shall thee betide,
 When row'd within my Highland plaid.

Soon the voice of cheary spring
 Will gar a' our plantins ring,
 Soon our bonny heather braes,
 Will put on their summer claes;
 On the mountain's sunny aide
 We'll lean us on my Highland plaid.

When the simmer spreads the flow'rs
 Basks the glens in leafy bow'rs,
 Then we'll seek the caller shade,
 Lean us on the primrose bed;
 While the burning hours preside,
 I'll screen thee wi' my Highland plaid.

Then we'll leave the sheep and goat,
 I will launch the bonny boat,
 Skim the loch in canty glee,
 Rest the oars to pleasure thee;
 When chilly breezes sweep the tide,
 I'll hap thee wi' my Highland plaid.

Lowland lads may dress mair fine,
 Woo in words mair saft than mine,
 Lowland lads hae mair of art,
 A' my boast's an honest heart;
 Whilk shall ever be my pride,
 O row thee in my Highland plaid.

“ Bonny lad ye've been sae leal,
 “ My heart would break at our farwell,

“ Lang your love has made me fain,
 “ Take me—take me for your ain!”
 Cross the firth, away they glide,
 Young Donald and his Lowland bride.

HALLOW FAIR.

Tunc—Fy let us a' to the Bridal.

There's fouth of braw Jockes and Jennies
 Comes weel buskit into the fair,
 With ribbons on their cockernonies,
 And fouth of fine flour in their hair.
 O Maggie she was sae weel busked,
 That Willie was tied to his bride;
 The pony was ne'er better whisked
 With a cudgel that hung frae his side.

But Maggie was wondrous jealous,
 To see Willie busked sae braw;
 And Sawney he sat in the ale-house,
 And hard at the liquor did ca',
 There was Georgie that weel lo'ed his lassie,
 He took the pint stoup in his arms,
 And hugged it, and said, Troth they're saucy
 That lo'es na a gude father's bairn.

There was Wattie, the muirland laddie,
 Was mounted upon a grey cowte,

With sword by his side, like a caddie,
 To drive in the sheep and the nowte.
 His doublet sae weel it did fit him,
 It scarcely came down to mid-thigh,
 With hair pouthered, hat, and a feather,
 And housing at courpon and tee.

But Bruckie played *boo* to Bawsie,
 And aff scoured the cowte like the win;
 Poor Wattie he fell on the causey,
 And brised a' the banes in his skin.
 His pistols fell out of the hulsters,
 And were a' bedaubed with dirt:
 The folk they came round him in clusters,
 Some leugh, and cried, Lad, was ye hurt?

The cowte wad let naebody steer him,
 He was aye sae wanton and skeigh;
 The packmens stands he o'erturned them,
 And gart a' the fair stand abeigh.
 With sneering behind and before him;
 For sic is the mettle of brutes;
 For Wattie, and wae's me for him,
 Was fain to gang hame in his boots,

Now it was late in the ev'ning,
 And bughting time was drawing near;
 The lasses had stench'd their greening
 With fouth of braw apples and beer.

There was Lillie, and Tibbie, and Sibbie,
 And Ceicy on the spindle could spin,
 Stood glowering at signs and glass winnocks,
 But deil a lad hade them come in.

Gude guide's! saw ye ever the like o't?
 See yonder's a bonny black swan;
 It glows as it fain wad be at us,
 What's yon that it hauds in its han'!
 Awa, daft gowk, cries Wattie,
 They're a' but a rickle of sticks;
 See there is Bill, Jock, and auld Hanckie,
 And yonder's Mess John and Auld Nick.

Quo' Maggie, Come buy us our fairing,
 To Wattie, wha sleely could tell,
 I think thou'rt the flower of the clachan,
 In troth now I'sc gie you mysel'.
 But wha wad e'er thought it of him,
 That e'er he had rippled the lint?
 Sae proud was he of his Maggie,
 Though she did baith scailie and squint.

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