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NEIL GOWS FAREWEEL.

You've surely heard o' famous Neil, The man that play'd the fiddle weel,

I wat he was a canty chiel,

And dearly loo'd the whisky, O.
And ay since he wore tartan hose,
He dearly loo'd the Athol brose;
And wae was he, you may suppose,
To play fareweel to whisky, O.

Alake, quoth Neil, I'm frail and auld, And find my bluid grows unco cauld; I think 'twad mak me blythe and bauld,

A wee drap Highland whisky, O.

And yet the doctors a' agree

That whisky's no the drink for me;

Saul! quoth Neil, 'twill spoil my glee,

Shou'd they part me and whisky, O.

Tho I can get bath wine and ale,
And find my head and fingers hale,
I'll be content, tho legs shou'd fail,
To play fareweel to whisky, O.

But still I think on auld langsyne,

When Paradise our friends did tyne, Because something ran in their min', Forbid, like Highland whisky, O.

come a ye powers of Music, come!
find my heart grows unco glum,
Iy fiddle strings will no play bum,
To say fareweel to whisky, O.
Il take my fiddle in my hand,
and screw the strings up while they'll
stand,
o mak a lamentation grand,
On gude auld Highland whisky, O.

LYTHE AN HAPPY ARE WE.

Blythe, blythe, an' happy are we,
Cauld care is flegg'd awa;
This is but ae night o' our lives,
An' wha wou'd grudge tho'it were twa.
he evining shade around is spread,
The chilling tempest sweeps the sky;
e're kindly met, an' warmly set,
An' streams o' nappy rinnin' by.
Blythe, &c.

Thile gettin fou, we're great, I trow, We scorn misfortune's greatest bangs;

The magic bowl can lift the soul
Aboon the warld and a its wrangs.
Blythe, &c.

The days o' man are but a span,
This mortal life a passing dream,
Nought to illume the dreary gloom,
Save love and friendship's sacred gleam.
Blythe, &c.

Then toom your glass to my sweet lass,
And niest we'll turn it o'er to thine:
The glowin' breast-that loes them best
Shall dearest ever be to mine.
Blythe, &c.

An' here's to you, my friend sae true,
May discord ne'er a feeling wound!
An' should we flyte, ne'er harbour spite,
But in a bowl be't quickly drown'd.
Blythe, &c.

Now rap and ring, an' gar them bring
The biggest stoupfu' yet we've seen;
Why should we part when hand an' heart
At ilka bumper grows mair keen?
Blythe, &c.

MY HEART'S IN THE HIGHLANDS.

My heart's in the highlands, my heart is not here, (deer: My heart's in the highlands a chasing the Chasing the wild deer, and following the roe: My heart's in the highlands wherever I Farewel to the highlands, farewel to the north. (worth; The birth-place of valour, the country of Wherever I wander, wherever I rove, The hills of the highlands for ever I love. Farewel to the mountains high covered (below. with snow, Farewel to the straths and green vallies

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Farewel to the forests and wild hanging
woods,

(ing floods.

Farewel to the torrents and loud pourMy heart's in the highlands, my heart is
not here,

(the deer;

My heart's in the highlands a chasing

Chasing the wild deer, and following the
roe,

(go.

My heart's in the highlands wherever I

HEY FOR A LASS WI' A TOCHER.

Awa' wi' your witchcraft o' beauty's alarms,

The slender bit beauty you grasp in O, gie me the lass that has acres o' charms.

O, gie me the lass wi' the weel stockit Then hey for a lass wi' a tocher,

Your beauty's a flower in the morning that blows, (grows; And withers the faster, the faster it But the rapturous charm o' the bonnie green knowes, (white yowes. Ilk spring they're new deckit wi' bonnie Then hey, &c.

And even when this beauty your bosom has blest, (possest; The brightest o' beauty may cloy when But the sweet yellow darlings, wi' Geordie imprest, (carest. The langer ye hae them the mair they're Then hey, &c.

THE BRAW WOOER.

Tune-The Lothian Lassic.

LAST May a braw wooer cam down the lang glen,
And sair wi' his love he did deave me:
I said there was naething I hated like men,
The deuce tak him to believe me, believe me,

The deuce tak him to believe nie.

He spak o' the dar's o' my bonnie black cen,
And vow'd for my love he was diein;
I said he might die when he liket for Jean,
The Lord forgie me for lien, for lien,
The Lord forgie me for lien!

A weel stockit mailen, himsel for the laird,
And marriage aff hand was the proffer;
I never loot on that I kent it, or car'd,
But thought I might get a waur offer, waur offer,
But thought I might get a waur offer.

But what do ye think? in a fortnight or less,

(The deil's in his taste to gang near her!)

He up the lang loan to my black cousin Bess;

Guess ye how, the jad! I could bear her,

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Sae a' the niest week as I fro ted wi' care,
I gade to the tryst o' Dalgarnock,
And wha but my braw fickle wooer was there,
I glowr'd as I'd seen a warlock, a warlock;
I glowr'd as I'd seen a warlock

But owre my left shouther I gied him a blink,
Lest neibours might say I was saucy;
My wooer he caper'd as he'd been in drink,
And vow'd I was his dear lassie, dear lassie,
And vow'd I was his dear lassie.

I spier'd for my cousin, fu' cuthic and sweet,
Gin she had recovered her hearin,
And how my auld shoon fitted her shachel'd feet,
But, heavens! how he fell a swearin,
But, heavens! how he fell a swearin.

He begged, for Gudesake! I wad be his wife,
Or else I wad kill him wi' sorrow;
So e en to preserve the poor body in life,
I think I maun wed him to-morrow, to-morrow,
I think I maun wed him to-morrow.