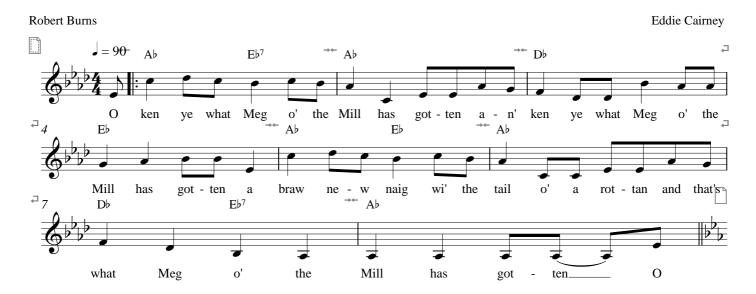
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Meg O' the Mill



Verse 2

O ken ye what Meg o' the Mill loes dearly An' ken ye what Meg o' the Mill loes dearly A dram o' guid strunt in the morning early And that's what Meg o' the Mill loes dearly

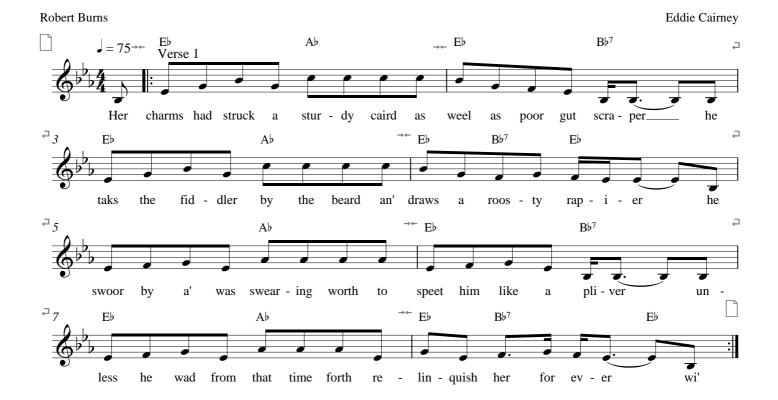
Verse 3

O ken ye how Meg o' the Mill was married An' ken ye how Meg o' the Mill was married The priest he was oxter'd the clerk he was carried And that's how Meg o' the mill was married

Verse 4

O ken ye how Meg o' the Mill was bedded An' ken ye how Meg o' the Mill was bedded The groom gat sae fu' he fell awald beside it And that's how Meg o' the Mill was bedded

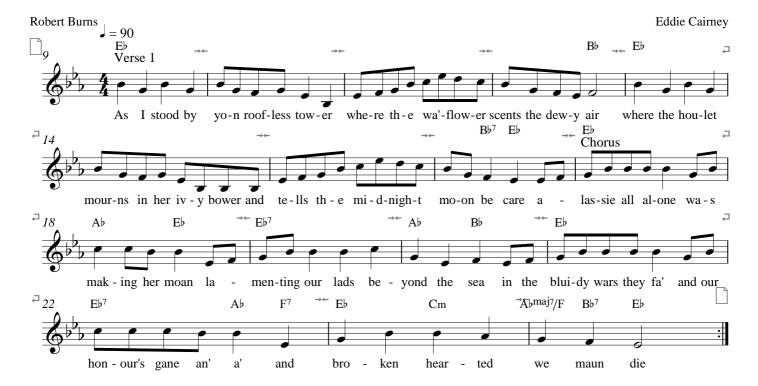
Recitativo



Verse 2

Wi' ghastly e'e poor tweedle dee upon his hunkers bended An' pray'd for grace wi' ruefu' face An' sae the quarrel ended But tho' his little heart did grieve Wen round the tinkler prest her He feign'd to snirtle in his sleeve When thus the caird address'd her

As I stood by you roofless tower



Verse 2

the winds were laid the air was still The stars they shot along the sky The tod was howling on the hill And the distant echoing glens reply

Verse 3

The burns adown its hazelly path Was rushin gby the ruin'd wa' Hasting to join the sweeping Nith Whase roarings seem'd to rise and fa'

Verse 4

The cauld blae North was streaming forth Her lights wi' hissing eerie din Athort the lift they start and shift Life fortune's favours tint as win

Verse 5

Now looking over frith and fauld Her horn the pale faced Cynthia rear'd When lo in form of minstrel auld A stern and stalwart ghaist appear'd

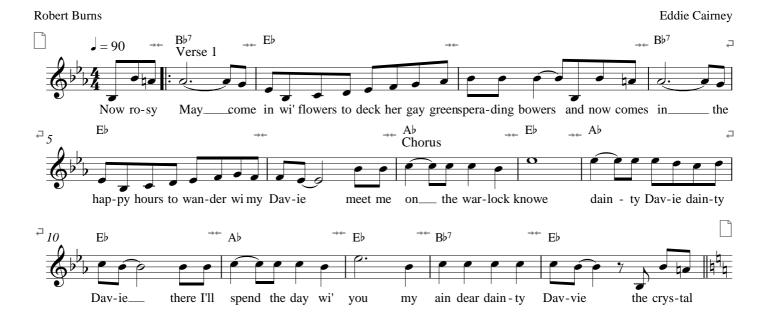
Verse 6

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

Verse 7

He sang wi' joy hi former day He weeping wail'd his latter times but what he said it was nae play I winna venture' in my rhymes

Dainty Davie



Verse 2

The crystal waters found us fa'
The merry birds are lovers a'
The scented breezes round us blaw
A wandering wi' my Davie

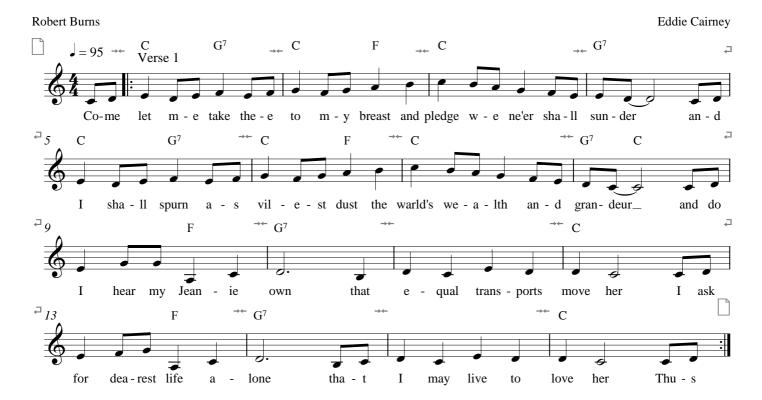
Verse 3

As purple morning start the hare To steal upon her early fare then thro' the dews I will repair To meet my faithfu' Davie

Verse 4

When day expiring in the west The curtain draws o' Nature's rest I'll flee to his arms I lo'e the best And that's my ain dear Davie

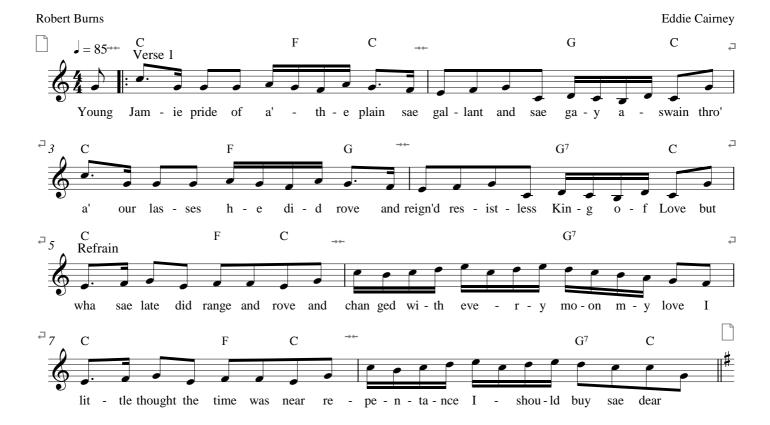
Come let me take thee to my breast



Verse 2

Thus in my arms wi' a' her charms I clasp my countless treasure I seek nae mair o' heaven to share Than sic a moment's pleasure And by thy e'en sae bonnie blue I swear I'm thine for ever And on thy lips I seal my vow And break it shall I never

Young Jamie pride of a' the plain



Verse 2

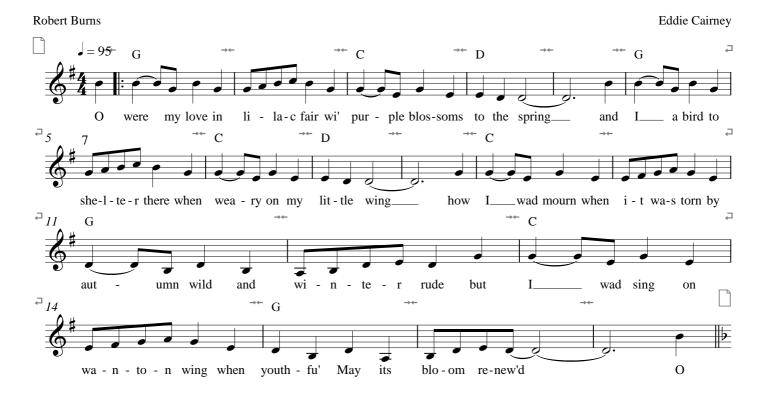
But now wi' sighs and starting tears He strays among the woods and breers Or in the glens and rocky caves His sad complaining dowie raves

Refrain

Verse 3

The slighted maids mly torments see And laught at a' the pangs I dree While she my cruel scornful fair Forbids me e'er to see her mair

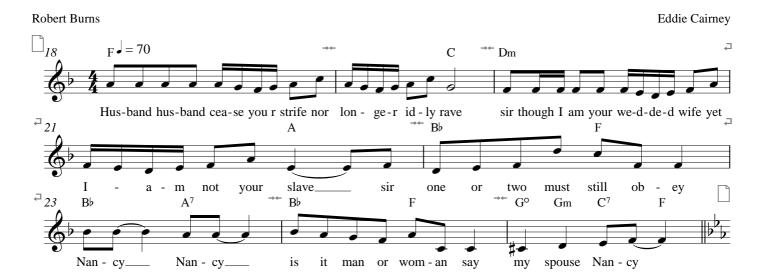
O were my love yon lilac fair



Verse 2

O gin my love were yon red rose
That grows upon the castle wa'
And I mysel a drap o' dew
Into her bonnie breast to fa'
O there beyond expression blest
I'd fast on beauty a' the night
Seal'd on her silk saft faulds to rest
Till fley'd awa by Phoebus light

My spouse Nancy



Verse 1

Husband husband cease your strife Nor longer idly rave sir Tho' I am your wedded wife Yet I am not your slave sir' 'One of two must still obey Nancy Nancy Is it Man or Woman say My spouse Nancy'

Verse 2

If 'tis still the lordly word Service and obedience I'll desert my sov'reign lord And so goodbye allegiance' 'Sad will I be so bereft Nancy Nancy Yet I'll try to make a shift My spouse Nancy'

Bonnie Jean



Verse 1

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 bonie Jean

Verse 2

And ay she wrought her country wark And ay she sang sae merrilie The blythest bird upon the bush Had ne'er a lighter heart than she

Verse 3

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

Refrain

O Jeanie fair I lo'e thee dear O canst thou think to fancy me Or wilt thou leave thy mammie's cot And learn to tent the farms wi' me

Verse 4

Young Robie was the brawest lad The flower and pride of a' the glen And he had owsen sheep and kye And wanton naigies nine or ten

Verse 5

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

Verse 6

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 bonie Jean

Verse 7

And now she works her country'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

Verse 8

But did na Jeanie's heart loup light And did na joy blink in her e'e As Robie tauld a tale o' love Ae e'enin on the lily lea

Verse 9

While monie a bird sang sweet o' love And monie a flower blooms o'er the dale His cheek to hers he aft did lay And whisper'd thus his tender tale-

Refrain

Verse 10

At barn or byre thou shalt na drudge Or naething else to trouble thee But stray amang the heather-bells And tent the waving corn wi' me'

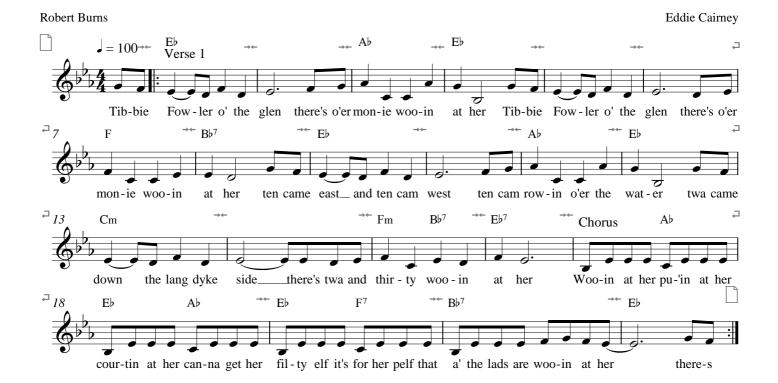
Verse 11

Now what could artless Jeanie do She had nae will to say him na At length she blush'd a sweet consent And love was ay between them twa

Refrain

Refrain

Tibbie Fowler



Verse 2

There's seven but and seven ben Seven in the pantry wi' her Twenty head about the door There's ane and forty wooin at 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 wooin at her

Chorus

Verse 3

Be a lassie e'er sae black An she hae the name o' siller Set her upo' Tintock-tap The wind will blaw a man till her Be a lassie e'er sae fair An she want the pennie siller A flie may fell her in the air Before a man be even till her

Chorus