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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF THOMAS MOORE.

Born with a genius musical and happy, the life and writings of Thomas Moore teem with hilarity and the spirit of melody. He wrote with ease; there was a freedom and fullness in the flow of bis words perfectly bewitching, and the subjects he selected were of a kind best adapted to the exuberant and fanciful verse in which he enshrined them. At times he delights by ingenious crea-tions-astonishes by daring imagery-melting by simple tenderness, and winning every heart by the sheer utterance of soft melody.

Thomas Moore was born in Dublin, May 30th. 1780. In his thirteenth year he was a regular contributor to a magazine, and being inclined to theatrical displays, frequently enacted the principal character in the performances of an amateur club. In the year 1793, he entered a Roman Catholic University. In the following year ew-ote and published a paraphrase of Anacreon's Fifth Ode. He continued his translations with a hope of receiving Lonor or reward from the Board of the University. Disappointed in this e-veitation, but not despairing of ultimate success, Moore labored n improving his verses, and illustrating them by annotations, in which he exhibited considerable learning and skill.

When nineteen years of age, he left his native country, and resided in London, having two objects in view, namely, keeping his terms in the Middle Temple, and publishing by subscription his translation of Anacreon.
In 1803 Moore left London, having received an appointment from the Government to an office in Bermuda. Subsequently he visited the United States, and in 1806, as the result of the vorage, published two volumes, entitled, "Odes and Epistles," included in which was the celebrated "Canadian Boat Song."
In 1807 was commenced the publication of "The Irish Melodies," which met with the greatcst success, and became at once universal favorites

The year 1812 found Moore, at the age of thirty-two, enjoying a well garned fame. It was thought by many that the brilliancy of his productions necessarily confined them to contracted limits; that no long, continuous work could maintain throughout such a steady glow of splendor, such bright emanations of vivid fancy. A ware of the existence of this belief, Moore, in the year above mentioned, resolved upon taking the field in the same rank with Scott.
The task was delayed for two years, during which, however, be gathered material for the foundation of a structure which should endure for ages. At the end of that time the clouds which had for so long a period gathered about the prospect of success, were dissipated through the liberality of the house of Messrs. Longman, who agreed to pay the poet 3.000 guineas for his new poem, even before seeing a line of it.

In 1815, such progress had been made in the work as to enable the authur 0 write to his publishers, informing them of his readiness
to submit the manuscript to them for their consideration. The manuscript complete was placed in the hands of Messrs. Longman in 1816, and in the following year, "Lalla Rookh" was hailed with a burst of admiration Enchanted with the gorgeous scenes so gracefully portrayed by the gifted poet, every person of literary taste read with a delightful rapture never before experienced.
"And no wonder!" writes a late biographer, "It was a triple triumph of industry, learning, and genius." The broad canvass exhibited a gorgeous painting; from beginning to end the sarne lavish ornament, the same variegated and delicate tracery, the same revelling of a spirit happy in its intense enjoyment of beauty, thaf characterized the miniatures and gems that heretofore proceeded from the artist's pencil. So far from betraying a diminution of power, or an inability to maintain his high-pitched note, the poet pursued his strain until he fairly left his reader languishing witk a surfeit of luscious song, and faint from its oppressive odors.
In 1817, in company with Rogers, Moore visited Paris, and zath ered material for his satirical poem, "The Fudge Family," whicu became quite popular. Pointed with wit, the Satires of Moore were keen-edged and effective. Unused to severity, which finds its vent in barshness, he chastised with cunning witticisms, which instead of enraging, afforded a great fund of amusement, even to those who were by them made ridiculously prominent in public view.

In 1819, Moore travelled with Lord John Russell. After passing the Simplon, in Italy, the two parted company, the former to visit Lord Byron in Venice, the latter to proceed to Genoa.

On his return, "Rhymes on the Road" appeared, as a series of sketches of travel. Owing to the mismanagement of his deputy at Bermuda, the pecuniary affairs of Mr. Moore became much embarassed. Aid from a host of friends was tendered, almost forced upon him; but he refused all such assistance, ar.d alone with his pen he overcame all obstacles, made a full settlemeat of all claims, and became free.

Soon after he received $£ 1.000$ for "Loves of the Angels," and $£ 500$ for "Fables of the Holy Alliance." He wrote the "Life of Sheridan," and "The Epicurean," in 1827, the latter a prose poem, containing the spirit and beauty of "Lalla Rookh." In 1830 he put forth "Notices of the Life of Lord Byron," and in the following year "Memoirs of Lord Edward Fitzgerald."

Moore's latest production is "The History of Ireland," appear. ing from time to time in "Lardner's Encyclopaedia."

For several years his health rapidly declined, and it becams evident that his end was near. Sand followed sand from the hour glass of his earthly existence, till on the 26th of February, 1852, at the age of 72 , he left the scenes of his triumphs and the abiding place of his fame. On the $3 d$ of March his remains found rest in the churchyard of Bromham, a little village near Devizes.

## PREFATORY REMARKS.

The " Insh Melodies" originated in a desire to secure in one sollection, and in a form that might not pass a way. the numerous National Airs known atnong the wild and beautiful scenery of Ireland, and rapturously admired by all whose gool fortune it had been to listen to their charming notes.

It was the pride of an Irishman to know that though political infuence and legislative interference had labored hard to exterminate this peculiar feature of his native land, it continued to exist unharmed anidst the dangess with which it was surrounded; and, that above the noise and furmoil of distracted national affairs, its sweet and cheering meloly failed not to be heard.
"There can be no doubt," says Moore, "that to the zeal and industry of Mr. Bunting. his country is indebted for the preservation of her Old National Airs. During the prevalence of the Penal Code, the Music of Ireland was made to share in the fate of its people. Both were alike shut out from the pale of civilized life ; and seldom, anywhere, but in the huts of the proseribed race, could the sweet voice of the songs of other days be heard. Even of that class, the itinerant barpers, -among whom, for a long period, our ancient music had been kept alive, - there remained but :w to continue the precious tradition; and a great Music Meeting wis held at Belfast, in the year 1792, at which two or three still renaining of the old race of wandering harpers assisted, exhibited the last public effort made by the lovers of lrish Music, to preserve to their country the only grace or ornament left to her, out of the wreck of all her liberties and hopes. Thus, what the fierce legislature of the Pale had endeavored vainly through so many centuries to effect, - the utter extinction of Ireland's Minstrelsy, - the deadly pressure of the penal laws had nearly, at the close of the eighteenth century, accomplished; and, but for the zeal and intelligent research of Mr. Bunting, at that crisis, the greater part of our musical treasures would probably have been lost to the world. It was in the year 1796 that this gentleman published his first volume ; and the national spirit and hope then awakened in Ireland, by the rapid spread of the democratic principle throughout Europe, could not but insure a most cordial reception for such a work; flattering as it was to the fond dreams of Erin's early days, and containing in itseif, indced, remarkable testimony to the truth of her claims to an early date of civilization.
"It was in the year 1797." continucs Mr. Moore, "that through the medium of Mr. Bunting's book, I was first made acquainted with the beauties of our native music. A young friend of our family, Edward Hudson, the nephew of an eminent dentist of that name, who played with much taste and feeling on the flute, and, anluckily for himself. was but too deeply warmed with the patriotic ardor then kindling around him, was the first who made known to me this rich mine of our country's melodies-a mine, from the working of which my humble labors as a poet have since derived their sole lustre and value.
" About the same time I formed an acquaintance, which soon grew into intimacy, with young Rohert Emmet. He was ny scnior, I think, by one class, in the university; Sor when, in the first year of my course, I became a member of the debating society, - a sort of nursery to the authorized Historical Society,-I found him in full reputation, not only for his learning and eloquence, but also for the lamelessness of his life, and the grave suavity of his manners."
Shortly after the date of this acopuaintance, Moore was the owner of a copy of Mr. Bunting's volume, and "thnugh." as he remarks, "never regularly instructed in music, could play over the airs with tolerable facilitv on the piano-forte.
"Robert Emınet," says Mr. M., "used sometimes to sit by me, when I was thus engaged: and I remember one day his starting op as from a reverie, when I bad just finished playing that spirited
tune called the 'Red Fox,' and exclaimirg, ' Oh! that I were at the head of twenty thousand men, marching to that air!'
"How little did I then think that in one of the noost tourhing of the sweet airs I used to play to him, his own dy ing words would find an interpreter so worthy of their sad but proud feeling; $\dagger$ or that another of those mournful strains $\ddagger$ would long be associated, in the hearts of his countrymen, with the menory of her § who shared with Ireland his last blessing and pray er.
"Though fully alive, of course, to the feelings which such music could not but inspire, 1 had not yet undertaken the task of adapting words to any of the airs."
In 1807, an announcement was made of the publication of "a Collection of the best Original Irish Melodies, with characteristic symphonies and accompaniments, and with words conraining, as frequently as possible, allusions to the inanners and history of the country." Moore immediately engaged with zeal and alacrity in a work so congenial with every feeling of his heart. He addressed a letter to Sir John Stevenson, which, as it gives a very comprehensive view of the nattor, we transcribe.
Mr. Moore says:-"I feel very anxious that a work of this kind should be undertaken. We have too long neglected the only talent for which our English neighbors ever deigned to allow usani. credit. Our National Music has never been properly collerfec, and while the composers of the Continent have enriched their operas and sonatas with melodies borrowed from Ireland. - very ofteo without even the honesty of acknowledgment, - we have left these treasures, in a great degree. uhclaimed and fuyitive. Thus our airs, like too many of our countrymen, have, for want of protection at home, passed into the service of foreigners. But we are come, I hope, to a better period of bolle politics and music ; and how much they are connected, in Ireland, at least. appears too plainly in the tone of sorrow and depression which characterises nost of our early songa
"The task which you propose to me, of adapting words to these airs, is by no means easy. The pnet who would follow the various sentiments which they express, niust feel and understand that rapid fluctuation of spirits, that unaccountable mixture of cloom and levity, which composes the character of my countrymen, and has deeply tinged their music. Even in their liveliest strains we find some melancholy note intrude, - some minor third or flat seventh, - which throws its shade as it passes, and makes even mirth interesting. If Burns had been an Irishman. (and I would willingly give up all claims upon Ossian for him.) his heart would have been proud of such music, and his genius would have made it immortal.
"A nother difficulty, - which is, however, purely mechanical, arises from the irregular structure of many of these airs, and the lawless kind of metre which it will in consequence be necessary to adapt to them. In these instances, the poet must write not to the eye, but to the ear: and must be content to have his verses of that description which Cicero mentions, "Quos si cantu spoliareris nuda remanebit oratio.' That beautiful air, "The Twisting of the Rope," which has all the romantic chatacter of the Swiss Runs des Vaches." is one of those wild sentimental rakes which it will not he pasy to tie down in sober werlock with poetry. However, notwithstanding all these difficulties, and the very moderate portion of talent which I can bring to surmonnt them. the design appears to me so truly national, that I shall feel much pleasure in giving it all the assistance in my power."
It was a fortunate circumstance that two persons were found so well fitted to write Ireland's minstrelsy and song, as were Mcore - "Let Erin remember the days of old." "O ! breathe not his mams"
"Sile is far from the land where hor young hern sleepa" \& Misa "urras
fili. Mnore acknowlelged in nnele in thim, that the valuahle laloars of Mr Buas. ing and the patrintic genius of Mise Owenson, we eut of bio cement of the Ing and the patrintic gen
buonent of chle writigs.
and Stevenson. The task set apart for each was one of much difficulty, and one which required much severe toil to accomplish.

With a morlesty characteristic of the man, Moore attributed the succes of the undertaking to the genius and perseverence of his coadjutor. But the public never has, never will take his disclaimer as anevidence that the presence of his own exuberant fancy, and leep, impassioned, thoughtful sentiment, has lad no part in the ereation of that spirit of immortality with which the Irish melodies are stamped.

In a letter to the Marchioness Dowager of Donegal, Mr. Moore thus speaks of the labors of Mr. Stevenson:-"Ttirough many of his own compositions we trace a vein of Irish sentiment, which points him out as peculiarly suited to eatch the spirit of bis country's music. In those airs which he bas arranged for voices, his skill has particularly distinguished itself; and though it cannot be denied that a single melorly most naturally expresses the language of fee'ing and passion, yet, often when a favolite strain has been dismissed, as having lost its charm of novelty for the ear, it returns, in a harmonized shape. with new claims on our interest and attention; and to those who study the delicate artifices of composition, the construction of the inner parts of these pieces anust afford, I think, considerable satisfaction. Every voice has an air to itself, a flowing succession of notes, which might be heard with pleasure, independently of the rest. - so artfully has the harmonist, (if I may thus express it) gavelled the melody, distributing an equal portion of its sweetness to every part."

Moore has made a fe w memoranda and brief notices of several of be most popular of the melolies. "Of the few songs written with a soncealed political feeling-such as 'When he who arlores thee,' and one or two more, --the most successful in its day, was "When first I met thee, warm and young.' which alluded in its hidden sense, to the Prince Regent's desertion of his political friends. It was little less, I own, than profanation to disturb the sentiments of so beautiful an air by any connection with such a subject. The great success of this song, soon after I wrote it, among a large party staying at Chatsworth, is thus allurled to in one of I ord Byron's letters to me :- I bave heard from l.ondon that you have left Chatsworth and all there full of 'entusymusy,' . . . and, in particular that 'When I first met thee' has been quitc overwhelning in its effect. I told you it was one of the best things you ever wrote, though that $\operatorname{dog}{ }^{*} *$ wanted you to omit part of it.'
"It has been sometimes supposed that "Oh, breathe not his name,' was meant to allurle to Lord Edward Fitzererald ; but this is a mistake: the song having been suggested by the well known passage in Robert Emmet's dying speech, - Let no man write my epitaph, . . . let my tomb remain uninscribed, till other times anil other men shall learn to do justice to iny memory.'

The feeble attempts to commenorate the glory of our great duke, 'When History's Muse. \&e.' - is in so far remarkable, that it is made up amply for its want of poetical spirit, by an outpouring. rarely granted to barrls in these days. of the spirit of prophecy. It was in the year 1815 that the following lines fin tt marle their appearance:

- And still the last crown of thy foils is remaining,

The grandest, the purest, e en thou hast yet known ; Though proud was thy task other nations unchaining, Far prouder to heal the leep wounds of thy own. At the foot of that throne for whose weal thou hast stond, Go, plead for the land that first cradled thy fame," \&c.
About fourteen vears after these lines were written, the Duke of Wellington recommended to the throne the great measure of Catholie Einancipation.

The fancy of the "Origin of the Irish Harp" was suggested by a drawing marle. under peculiarly painful circumstances, by the friend previously mentioned, Edward Hudson. When, in consegrence of the compact entered into between government and the chief leaders of the conspiracy, the stare prisoners, before proceeding into exile. were allowed to see their friends. I paid Mr. Hudson a visit, in the jail of Kilmainham, where he had then lain immured for four or five months, bearing of friend after friend being Ird out to death, and expecting every week his own turn to come. Ifound that to amnse bis solitude he had made a large drawing with charcoal on the wall of bis prison, representing that fancied
origin of the Irish Harp, which some years after I adopted as the subject of one of the Melodies. In connection witl another of these matchless airs - one that defies poetry to do it justice - I find the following touching and singular statement in an article of the Quarterly Revicw. \$peaking of a young and pron,ising poetess, Lucretia 1)avilson, who died very early from berious excitement, the Reviewer says, "She was particularly sensitive of inusic. There was one solgg (it was Moore's Farewell to his Harp) to which she took a special fancy. Slee wisbed to hear it only at twilight, thus (with that same perilous love of excitement which marle lier place the ALolian harp in the window when she was (coniposing) seeking to increase the effect which the song produced npon a nen wous asstem already diseasedly susceptible,-for it is said that whenter she heard this song she became pale, cold, and almost fainting, - yet it was her favorite of all songs, and gave orcasion to those verses addressed in her fifteenth year to her sister.
"With the meloly entited • Love, Valor, and Wit,' an incident is connecterl, which awakened feelings in nie of prourl, but sad pleasure; as showing that my songs had reached the healts of some of the descendents of those great Irish families who found themselves forced, in the days of persecution, 10 seek in other lands a refuge from the shame and ruin of their own.- those whose story I have thus associated with one of their country's most characteristic airs:

> "Ye Blakes and O'Donnels, whose fathers resigned
> The green hills of their youth, ataong strangers to find
> That repose which at lione they had sighed for in vain.
"From a foreign lady of this ancient extraction.-whose names. could I venture to mention them, would lend to the incident an add;: tional Irish charm,-I received, through the lands of a gentleman, a large porfolio. adorned inside with a beautiful drawing, representing Love, Wit, and Valor, as described in the song. In the border that surrounds the drawing, are introrluced the fas orite embleme of Erin.-the Harp, the Shamrock, the Mitrel head of St. Patrick, -together with Scrolls. containing each, inscribed in letters of gold, the name of some favorite melorly of the fair artist."

It is not necessary in concluding this sketch, to enter into a lengthened criticism of these admirable songs-now sparkling, now plaintive - here glowing with fervour - there laden with pathos - all teeming with exuberant illustration. The reader has them before him in all their richness of sentiment and harmony. It mar be true that force and dignity are wanting to some of these lyrics; that orcasionally fancy lahors until art becomes too evident in strained and frigid similes: that ornament at times overlays.sentiment. until nature pants beneath the glitering encomberance; but it is equally certain that universal literature presents no lovelier or nore qffecting tribute to a nation's minstrelsy than the Irish Melodies of Thomas Moore.

The love of country that pervades and inspires his thrme, his simple tenderness of feeling that at once strikes the heart as instanily to melt it, his facility of creation, linked with the glad appreciation of all that is beautiful in nature - the grace. the elegance, the sensibility. the ingenuity, that are never absent-the astonishing and thoroughly successful sidaptation of sense to sound. of sweetest poetry to thrilling music, are claims to admiration which the most prosaic of his species will find it impossible to resist.

From the commencement of the publication of the Irish Melodies, Moore's name and fane were known in every land. From that hour success and honor attended the results of his talent and industry.

He attrihnted all his poetical success to his strong and inborr. feeling for Music. There can be no doubt that his oblightions to nature in this respect were very great. Music and poetry were wedded in his heart, and were inseparably united.

In the form in which the Irish Mclorlies arpear in this rolume, Moore wished only to see them. With him the words and the music were one. "So intimately. indeed," savs an English writer "were they united, that the sight of them crowded together in one volume, unaccompanied by notes with which they were always associated in his own mind, inflicted upon him positive pain."

This work bas been translated into Latin, Italian, French and Rnssian, and will continue to command a popularity unequalled by that of any otber composition of a similar kind

## IRISH MELODIES.

INTRODUCTORY PIECE FOR TIIE PIANOFORTE.
OAROLAN'S OONCERTO.



## AIR - THE PLEASANT ROCKS.



# AIR-PLANXTY DRURY. 

CAROLAN.


AIR-THE BEARDLESS BOY.

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$\left\{\begin{array}{l}4-b=0 \\ 4-b-a+1\end{array}\right.$


## GO WHERE GLORY WAITS THEE.

AIR-MAID OF THE VALLEY.
FOR ONE OR TWO VOICES.

espress. lentando.



## ERIN! THE TEAR AND THE SMILE IN THINE EYES.




Thy suns, with doubt-ful glean, Weep while they rise!


2
Eriv! thy silent tear never shall cease,
Erin! thy languid smile ne'er shall increase,
'Till, like the rainbow's light,
Thy various tints unite,
And form, in Heaven's sight,
One arch of peace!

## REMEMBER THE GLORIES OF BRIEN THE BRAVE.



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mains on each sword To light us to vic-tory yet!


Mononia! when Nature embellish'd the tint Of thy fields and thy mountains so fair,
Did she ever intend that a tyrant should print The footstep of slavery there?
No, Freedom, whose smile we shall never resign, Go, tell our invaders, the Danes,
That 'tis sweeter to bleed for an age at thy shrine, Than to sleep but a moment in chains.

[^1]
## WHEN HE WH0 ADORES THEE.

 thine: $\quad$ In my last hum-ble prayer to the Spirit a-bove, Thy name shall be mingled with


- These words allude to astory in an old Irish manoscript, which is too long and too melancholy to be inserted here.



## THE HARP THAT ONCE THROUGH TARA'S HALLS.

ate-Grammachree.



2
No more to chiefs and ladies bright
The harp of Tara swells;
The chord, alone, that breaks at night,
Its tale of ruin tells:
Thus Freedom now so seldom wakes,
The only throb she gives
Is when some heart indignant breaks,
To shew that still she lives!

gins to bloom for sons of night, And maids who love the moon! 'Twas but to bless these hours of shade That

beau - ty and the moon were made ; 'Tis then their soft at - trac-tions glowing, Set the tides and gob-lets flow - ing



Joy so sel-dom'weaves a chain Like this to-night, that, oh!'tis pain To break its links so soon.

2. Fly not yet ; the fount that play'd

In times of old, through Ammon's shade,* Though icy cold by day it ran, Yet still, like souls of mirth, began To burn when night was near; And thus should women's hearts and looks At noon be cold as winter brooks,

Nor kindle till the night, returning,
Brings their genial hour for burning,
Oh!stay, -oh ! stay,When did morning ever break, And find such beaming eyes awake, As those that sparkle here!

Ob! stay, \&c.

- Solla Fons, near the Temple of Ammor


## 0H! THINK N0T MY SPIRITS ARE ALWAYS AS LIGHT.

AIR-JOHN O'reilliy the active.

2. The thread of our life would be dark, Hearen knows! If it

(1)
free from a pang, as they seem to you now; Nor ex-pect that the beart-beaming smile of to-night Will re. free from a pang, as they seem to you now; Nor ex-pect that the beart-beaming smile of to-night Will re.
were not with friendship and love intertmin'd; And I care not how soon I may sink to re-pose, When these


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turn with to-morrow to brighten my brow : No , life is a waste of wearisome bours, Which seldom the rose of en blessings shall cease to be dear to my mind! But they who have lor'd the fondest, the purest, Too often hare mept o'er the



## air-the sumier is coming.



- Thas Ballad is founded upon the following anecdote:-"The people were inspired with such a spirit of bonour, virtue, and religion, by the great example of Bries, and by his excellent administration, that, as a pmof of it, we are informed, that a viang lady of great beauty, adorned with jeweis and a costly dress, undertook a journey alone from one end of the kingdom to the other, with a wand ouly in her band, at the top of which was a ring of exceeding great value: and such an impression hai the laws and government of this monarch made on the minds of all the people, that no attompt was made upon her honour, nor was she robbed of her clothes or jewels."-Warrer's History of Lrelakd, Vol. I., Book 10.



## 3

"Sir Knight! I feel not the least alarm;
No son of Erin will offer me harm;
For, tho' they love woman and golden store, Sir Knight they love honour and virtue more!"


4
On she went, and her maiden smile In safety lighted her round the Green Isle; And blest forever was she who relied Upon Erin's honour and Erin's pride.

## THO' THE LAST GLIMPSE OF ERIN.

## ARB-coulin.




[^2]
## AS A BEAM 0'ER THE FACE OF THE WATERS MAY GLOW.

ÀIB-THE YOUNG MANS DREAM.


1. As a beam o'er the face of the wa - ers may glow, While the



2
One fatal remembrance, one sorrow that throws Its bleak shade alike o'er our joys and our woes, To which life nothing darker or brighter can bring, For which Joy has no balm, and Affliction no sting.

3
Oh ! this thought in the midst of enjoyment will stay, Like a dead leafless branch in the summer's bright ray; The beams of the warm Sun play round it in vairIt may smile in his light, but it blooms nnt agair.

## THE MEETING OF THE WATERS.*

AIR - THE OLD HEAD OF DENNIS.



1. There is not in this wide world a val-ley so sweet Ás that vale in whose bosom the 2. Yet it was not that Na.ture had shed o'er the scene Her pur-est of crystal and


* The Meeting of the Waters" forms a part of that boantiful scenery which lies between Rathdrum and Arklow, in the county of Wicklow: ans' these lines were suggested by a visit to this romantic spot, in the summer of the year 1807.


3
'Twas that friends, the belov'd of my bosom were near, Who made every dear scene of enchantment more dear ; And who felt how the best charms of Nature improve When we see them reflected from looks that we love.

4
Sweet rale of Aroca ! how calm could I rest
In thy bosom of sbade, with the friends I lore best, [cease, Where the storms which we feel in this cold world would And our hearts, like thv waters, be mingled in peace !

AIR - THE BROWN THORN.


SONG AND TRIO.


1. Oh! haste, and
2. Oh! Father,
 leave this sa-cred isle, . . . Un-ho - - ly bark, ere morning smile; For on thy send not hence my bark, . . Thro' win-try winds and o'er bil-lows dark; I come, with


* In a metrical life of St. Senanus, which is taken from an old Kilkenny MS, and may be fonnd among the Acta Sancforum Hibernia, we are told of his flight to the island of Scattery, and his resolution not to admit any woman of the party; he refused to receive even a sister saint, St. Cannera whom an angel had taken to the island, for the express purpose of introducing her to him. The following was the ungracious answer of Senanus according to his poetical biographers:-

> "Cui Prœsnl, quid fœminis Commune est cum monachis,

Nec te nec allam aliam
Admittemus in insulam." See the Acta Sanct. Hib. page $61 \overline{0}^{-}$.
According to Dr. Led wich, St Senanus was no less a personage than the River Shanncn; but O'Connor and other antiquarians deny this metamer phoois indigmantly.

deck, though dark it be, hum - ble heart, to share

A fe-male form I see! And I have sworn this sainted Thy morn and ev' - ning pray'r: Nor mine the feet Oh! ho-ly


TRIO.


The Lady's prayer Se-na-nus spurn'd,The wind blew fresh, and the bark return'd: But legends


The Lady's prayer Sc-na-nus spurn'd,The wind blew fresh, and the bark return'd': But legends



## THE DIRGE.-HOW OFT HAS THE BANSHEE CRIED.

AIR - THE DEAR BLACK MAID.

HARMONIZED FOR FOUR VOICES.


- I have endeavoured here, without losing that Irish character, which it is my object to preserve thronglont this work, to allude to tne sad and ominous fatality, by which England has been deprived of so many great and good men, at a moment when she most requires all the sid of talents and integrity.
t This designation, which has been before applied to Lord Nelson, is the title given to a celebrated Irish Hero, in a Poem by $O^{\prime}$ Gnive, the berd of 0 Niel, which is quoted in the "Philosophical Survey in the South of Ireland," page 483 . "Con of the hundred Fights, sleep in thy grass-grown tomb and upbraid not our defeats with thy victories."
$\dagger$ "Fox. Romenorum altimus."

First Voice.


2nd Voice.


 Dark falls the tear of him who mourneth, Lost joy or hope that ne'er re-turn-eth,
Both mute, but long as va-lour shineth, Or mer - cy's soul at war re-pi-neth,

Bass.
Tenor.
(80e lower.)



## HOW DEAR TO ME THE HOUR WHEN DAYLIGHT DIES.

alr-the twisting of the rope

dear to me the hour when day - light dies, And sun-beams melt a long the as I watch the line of light that plays, $\mathbf{A}$ - long the smooth wave, tow'rds the



Mem-'ry breathesher ves - - per sigh to thee. For then sweet dreams of o.- ther think't would lead to some bright isle of rest, I long to tread that gold - en

days a - rise, And Mem'ry breathes her ves - per sigh to thee.
path of rays, And think 'twould lead to some bright isle of rest.


## TAKE BACK THE VIRGIN PÁGE.



word I write Love turns to fire. fire.

pas-sion write one wrong wish there.
there.


Haply, when from those eyes Far, far away I roam, Should calmer thoughts arise Towards you and home; Fancy may trace some line Worthy those eyes to meet, Thoughts that not burn, but shine, Pure, calm, and sweet.

And as, o'er ocean far,
Seamen their records keep,
Led by some hidden star
Through the cold deep;
So may the words I write,
Tell through what storms I stray
You still the unseen light, Guiding my way

## WHEN IN DEATH I SHALL CALM RECLINE.

AIR - UNKNOWN.


bear my heart to my mis - tress dear; Tell her it liv'd up-on smiles, and wine of the


sul-ly a heart so brilliant and light; But balm - y drops of the red grape borrow, To


2
When the light of my song is $o^{\prime}$ er,
Then take my harp to your ancient hall ;
Hang it up at that friendly door
Where weary travellers love to call.*
Then if some bard, who roams forsaken,
Revive its soft note in passing along,
Oh! let one thought of its Master waken
Your warmest smile for the child of song.

3
Keep this cup, which is now o'erflowing, To grace your revel when I'm at rest ; Never, oh! never its balm bestowing On lips that beauty hath seldom blest.
But when some warm devoted lover,
To her he adores shall bathe its brim, Oh , then my spirit around shall hover, And hallow each drop that foams for him.

[^3]
## AIR-GABYONE.



1. We may roam thro' this world, like a child at a feast, Who but sips of a sweet, and then flies to the rest, And, when
2. In Eng-land, the gar-den of Beau-ty is kept By a dra-gon of pru-de-ry plac'd within call; But so

pleas-ure be-gins to grow dull in the east, We may or-der our ringsand be off to the west; But if oft this un-a - mia - ble dra-gon has slept, That the gar-den's but care-less-ly watch'daf-ter all. Ob! they


mem-ber, whenev - er your gob-let is crown'd, Thro' this world whether eastward or westward you roam, When a


3

In France, when the heart of a woman sets sail, On the ocean of wedlock its fortune to try; Love seldom goes far in a vessel so frail, But just pilots her off, and then bids her good bve.

While the daughters of Erin keep the boy Ever smiling before his faithful oar.
Through billows of woe and beams of joy, The same as he looked when he left the shore

# EVELEEN'S BOWER. 



1. Oh! weep for the hour, When to E-ve-leen's bow'r The Lord of the Valley, with 2. The white snow lay, On the narrow path-way, Where the Lord of the Valley crost
 o - ver the moor; And many a deep print On the white snow's tint, Shew'd the


- Our c.aim to this Air has been dispated: but they who are best acquainted with national melodiea, pronounce it to be lrish. It ie generai:known by the neme of "The pretty Girl of Derby, O."


heav'n smil'd a - gain with her trace on the path where the
 ves - - tal flame; But none will see the day When the false Lord came; But there's a light a-bove Which a

clouds shall pass a-way, Which that dark hour left up-on Eveleen's fame. lone can re-move That stain upon the snow of fair Eveleen's fame.



## LET ERIN REMEMBER THE DAYS OF OLD.

## AIR - THE RED FOX.


 Let E - rin re-mem-ber the days of old, 'Ere her faith - - less sons be .

tray'd her; When Mal-a-chi wore the collar of gold,* Which he won from the proud in - vad • er ;


- This brought on an encounter between Malachi (the Monarch of Ireland in the tenth century) and the Danes, in which Malachi defeated two of
their chsmpions, whom he encountered successively hand to hand, taking a collar of gold from the neck of one and carrying off the sword of the otber. ntrophies of his victory." Warner's History of Ireland.


When her Kings, with standards of green un - furl'd,Led the Red Branch Knights* to

dan - ger, 'Ere the em-erald gem of the west-ern world Was set in the crown of a stran-ger.


On Lough Neagh's bank as the fisherman strays,
When the clear cold eve's declining,
He sees the round towers of other days, In the wave beneath him shining;

Thus shall memory often, in dreams sublime, Catch a glimpse of the days that are over;
Thus sighing, look through the waves of time For the long faded glories they cover. $\dagger$

[^4]
## SILENT, OH MOYLE, BE THE ROAR OF THY WATER.



[^5]
dark-ness furl'd, When shall heav'n, its sweet bell ring-ing,
Call my spir-it from this


## COME, SEND ROUND THE WINE.

> AIR - WE BROUGHT THE SUMMER WITH US.
 reas'ning fools; This moment's a flow'r too fair and brief To be with-er'd and stain'd by the



2

Shall I ask the brave scldier, who fights by my side,
In the cause of mankind, if our creeds agree?
Shall I give up the friend I have valued and tried,
If he kneel not before the same altar with me?

From the heretic girl of my soul shall I fly,
To seek somewhere else a more orthodox kiss?
No! perish the hearts and the laws that try
Truth, valour, and love, by a standard like this.
air - the black joke.


1. Sub-lime was the warn-ing which Li - ber - ty spoke, And grand was the mo-ment when
2. If the fame of our fathers bequeath'd with their rights, Give to coun-try its charm, and to


Spaniards a - woke In - to life and revenge from the Con-quer-or's chain! home its de-lights; If de - ceit be a wound and sus - pi - cion a stain;

$\mathrm{Oh}!\mathrm{Li}$ - ber-ty! let not this spir-it have rest, Till it moves, like a breeze o'er the Then ye men of I - be - ria! our cause is the same! And oh! may his tomb want a


waves of the west; Give the light of your look to each sorrowing spot, Nor, oh ! be the Shamrock of tear and a name, Who would ask for a nobler, a ho-li-er death, Than to turn his last sigh in-to


- E - rin for - got, While you add to your gar - lands the 0 - live of Spain! vic - to - ry's breath, For the Shamrock of E - rin and O-live of Spain!



## 3

Ye Blakes and O'Donnels, whose fathers resign'd The green bills of their youth, among strangers to find That repose which at home they had sigh'd for in vain, Join, join in our bope that the flame, which you light May be felt yet in Erin, as ealm, and as bright; And forgive even Albion while blushing she draws, Like a truant, her sword in the long-slighted cause Of the Sbemrook of Erin and Olive of Spain !

## 4

God prosper the canse ! -Oh! it cannot but thrive, While the pulse of one patriot heart is alive,
Its derotion to feel, and its rights to maintain; Then how sainted by sorrow its martyrs will diel The finger of Glory shall point where they lie ; While far from the footstep of coward or slare, The young spirit of Freedom shall shelter their grave
Beneath Shamrocks of Erin and Olives of Spuin


1. Believe me, if all those endearing young charms, Which I gaze on so fond - ly to - day . . . Were to共
2. It is not while beauty and youth are thine own, And thy cheeks unprofan'd with a tear . . . That the
 change by to-morrow, and fleet in my arms, Like fai-ry gifts fad-ing a - way, Thou wouldst
 fer - vour and faith of a soul can be known, To which time will but make thee more dear ! No, the


heart that has truly lov'd nev-er forgets, But as tru - ly loves on to the close,... As the

round the dear ru - in each wish of my heart Would entwine it - self ver - dant-ly still . . . .

sun - flower turns on her god when he sets, The same look which she turn'd when he rose . . .


## ERIN, OH! ERIN.

AIB - SHAMAMA HULLA.
harmonized for three voices.




- There are various settings of this air; that which differs most from the set we have sdopted, will be fonnd at the end of this song.

The inextingnishable fire of St. Bridget, at Kildare, which Giraldns mentions, "Apnd Kildariam ocenrrit Ignis Sanctw Brigida, quem ineatin guibilem vocant; non quod extingui non posit, sed qnod tam colicite moniales et sanctay mnlieres ignerm, enppetento materia, fovent ot natriant at a tempore virginis per tot azworam cnrricula semper mansit inextinctus. "-Girald. Camb de Mirabil. Hib. Disl. 2, c. \&4.

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3. Unchill'd by the rain, and unwak'd by the wind,

The lily lies sleeping through winter's cold hour, Till the hand of spring her dark chain unbind, And daylight and liberty bless the young flower.*

Erin! oh Erin! thy winter is past,
And the hope, that liv'd thro' it, shall blossom at last.

- Mrs H. Tighe, in her exnulsio lines on the lily, has applied this image to a still more important subjech


## SHAMAMA HULLA.

ANOTHER ARRANGEMENT OF THIS DELICIOUS MELODI.



## OH! BLAME NOT THE BARD.

HARMONIZED FOR TWO VOICES.


1. Oh! blame not the bard,* if he fly to the bow'rs, Where pleasure lies, care-less-ly

2. But, a-las! for his coun-try-her pride is gone by, And that spi - rit is broken, which


- We may suppose this apology to have been uttered by one of those wandering bards whom Spencer so severely, and perhaps traly describes in his state of Ireland, and whose poems he tells us, "were sprinkled with some pretty flowers of their natural device which gave good grace and comeiines anto thom; the which it is great pity to see abused to the gracing of wickodness and vice, which with good usage would serve to adoro and beandfy virtae."

loose o'er the lyre, Might have bent a proud bow* to the war - . - ri-or's dart ; And the

learn'd to be-tray; Un - dis-tinguish'd they live, if they shame not theirsires; And the

lip which now breathes but the song of de - sire, Might have pour'd the full tide of the

torch, that would light them thro' dig-ni - ty's way, Must be caught from the pile, where their

* It is conjectured by Wormius, that the name of Ireland is derived from Yr, the Rnnic for a bow, in the use of which weapon the lrish were once very expert. This derivation is certainly more creditahle to us than the following-" So that Ireland (called the land of lre, for the constant broile therein for 400 years,) was now become the land of concord." Lloyn's State Worthies, Art. "The Lord Grandizon."


## MOORE'S IRISH MELODIES.



## 3

Then blame not the bard, if, in pleasure's soft dream,
He should try to forget, what he never can heal ;
Oh ! give but a hope, let a vista but gleam
Through the gloom of his country, and mark how he'll feel !
That instant, his heart at her shrine would lay down,
Every passion it nursed, every bliss it adored,
While the myrtle, now idly entwined with his crown,
Like the wreath of Hermodius, should cover his sword.*
4
But, though glory be gone, and though hope fade away,
Thy name, loved Erin! shall live in his songs,
Not ev'n in the hour, when his heart is most gay,
Will he lose the remembrance of thee and thy wrongs!
The stranger shall hear thy lament on his plains;
The sigh of thy harp shall be sent o'er the deep,
Till thy masters themselves, as they rivet thy chains,
Shall pause at the song of their captive, and weep.

## AT THE MID HOUR OF NIGHT.

ARB - MOLLY, MY DEAR.

fly To the lone vale we lov'd, when life shone warm in thine eye.


love is re-mem - ber'd ev'n in the sky.

2. Then I sing the wild song, which once 'twas rapture to hear, When our voices both mingling breath'd like one on the ear ; And, as echo far off through the vale my sad orison rolls, I think, oh my love! 'tis thy voice from the kingdom of souls," Faintly answering still the notes that once were so dear.

[^6]

1. While gaz-ing on the moon's light, A mo-ment from her
2. The day had sunk in dim show'rs, But mid-night now, with
 smile I turn'd, To look at orbs, that, more bright, In lone and dis - tant lus . - tre meek, $\Pi$ - - lu - min'd all the pale flow'rs, Like hope, that lights a



Ma - ry dear! be thou my own-While brighter eyes un - heed - ed play, I'll love those moonlight thus, I thought, our fortunes run, For many a lov - er looks to thee, While oh! I feel there

looks alone, Which bless my home, and guide my way !


- Wof such celestial bodies as are visible, the sun excepted, the single moou, as despicable as it is in comparisou to most of the others, is muct more beneficial than they all put together."一Whiston's Theory, \&c.

In the Entretiens d'Artiste, amoug other ingenious emblems, we find a starry sky without a moou, with the words, Non mille, grod absens.
$\uparrow$ This image was suggested by the following thought, which occurs somewhere in Sir William Jones's works, "The moou looks upou mans nighs 8owers, the night-fiower sees but one moon."

## WHEN DAYLIGHT WAS YET SLEEPING UNDER THE BILLOW.

AIR - KITTY OF COLERAINE.*


1. When daylight was yet sleeping un-der the bil-low, And stars in the heav-ens still lingering shone, Young
2. As she look'd in the glass, which a woman ne'er misses,Nor e-ver wants time for a sly glance or two, A


Kit - ty, all blushing, rose up from her pillow, The last time she e'er was to press it a-lone. For the but-ter-fly, fresh from the night-flower's kisses, Flew o-ver the mir-ror, and shad-ed her view. En -


- Having some reason to suspect that "Kitty of Coleraine" is but a modern English imitation of our style, I have thonght it right to give an authentic Irish air to the same words, withonh however, omitting the former melody, for which the words were originally written, and to which, 1 zelieve, they are best adapted. "Paddy's Resource" follows the present ais.
 youth, whom she treasur'd her heart and her soul in, Had promis'd to link the last tie before noon ; And,wken rag'd with the in-sect, for hiding her graces, She brush'd him-he fell, a - las! nev-er to rise-"Ah.
 such," said the girl, "is the pride of our fa-ces, For which the soul's in - no-cence


While she stole through the garden, where heart's-ease was growing,
She cull'd some, and kiss'd off its night-fallen dew ;
And a rose, further on, look'd so tempting and glowing,
That spite of her haste, she must gather it too ;
But, while o'er the roses too, carlessly leaning,
Her zone flew in two, and the heart's-ease was lost-
"Ab! this means," said the girl, (and she sigh'd at its meaning,)
"That love is scarce worth the repose it will cost!"

## WHEN DAYLIGHT WAS YET SLEEPING UNDER THE BILLOW．

No． 2.


9－2
When daylight was yet sleep－ing un－der the bil－low，And stars in the heavens still

$4=0$ lin－ger－ing shone，Young Kit－ty，all blush－ing，rose up from her pillow，The


(9) heart and her soul in, Had prom-is'd to link the last tie be-fore noon; And, when

(t) once the young heart of a mai-den is sto-len, The mai-den her-self will steal



- In order to bring this fine air of Carolan within the compass of the voice, it was necessary to raise some parts of it an octave higher than they are in the original setting, and to convert into a symphony the wild, characteristic passage, which, more than once, breaks so boldly across the conrse of the melody. The merit of this arrangement, as well as the responsibility, rests entirely with Sir John Stevenson. He gave me the air in its present harmonized form, and I found it rather a difficult task to follow with words, of any tolerable meaning, those abrupt variations of expression with which is abounds. The Melody, in its original form, may be seen st page 75.

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hero to his grave,' Midst the dew-fall of a nation's tears! fore the evening falls, May we pledge that horn in triumph round !* Many a heart, that


- "The Irish Corna was not entirely devoted to martial purposes. In the heroic ages, our ancestors quaffed Meadh out of them, se the Draish hanters do their beverage at this day."-Walser.



the fairy queen.
 4 2
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## NIGHT CLOSED AROUND.

AIR - THY FAIR BOSOM.
AFTER THE BATTLE

WiLs 9 Solems ity.


Night clos'd a - round . the conqu'ror's way, And light-ning shew'd the dis - tant hill, Where

those,who lost . . . that dread-ful day, . Stood few and faint, . but fear-less still! The soldier's


who shall say . . . . what he - roes feel, . . . When all but life . . . and


The last sad hour of freedom's dream, And valour's task, moved slowly by, While mute they watch'd, till morning's beam Should rise, and give them light to die !

There is a world, where souls are free, Where tyrants taint not nature's bliss ; If death that world's bright op'ning be, Oh ! who would live a slave in this?

AIR-THADY YOU GANDELI.


Oh! 'tis sweet to think, that, where'or we rove, We are sure to find something blissful and dear; And that,

when we'refar from the lips wo love, We have bit to make love to the lips we are near!* The

heart, like a ten-dril, ac-cus-tom'd to cling, Let it grow where it witl, cannot flourish a-lone, But will


- I bolinva it in Marmoutol, who anys "Quand on n'a pas ce que f' on aime, it fauf aimer ce que $\mathbf{f}^{\prime \prime}$ on a." There are no many mattor-ofefact peopla

 time snow was black: nor lirasunu la any dogrev tho lesu who, for having writtou an lugodious encomium of folly.

lean to the nearest and love-li-est thing, It can twine with it-self, and make closely its own. Then

oh! what pleasure, where'er we rove, To be doom'd to find something, still, that is dear, And to

'Twere a sbame, when flowers around us rise,
To make light of the rest. if the rose is not there;
And the world's so rich in resplendent eyes,
'Twere a pity to limit one's love to a pair.
Love's wing and the peacock's are nearly alike;
They are both of them bright, but they're changeable too:

And, wherever a new beam of beauty can strike, It will tincture love's plume with a different bue ! Then ob! what pleasure, where'er we rove,
To be doom'd to find something, still, that is dear And to know, when far from the lips we love, We have but to make love to the lips me are near

## THE IRISII PEASANT TO HIS MISTRESS.

## THROUGH GRIEF AND THROUGH DANGER.


round me lay; The dark - er our for-tune, the brighter our pure love burn'd, Till shame in-to glo-ry, till

brows a - dorn'd; She woo'd meto temples, while thou lay'st hid in caves; Her friends were all mas-ters, while


3. They slander thee sorely, who say thy vows are frail-

Hadst thou been a false one, thy cheek had look'd less pale!
They say too, so long thou hast worn those ling'ring chains,
That deep in thy heart they have printed their servile stains-
Oh! do not believe them-no chain could that soul subdue,
Where shineth thy spirit, there liberty shineth too.*

* "Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is libarty."-Sr. PaOL, 2 Corinthisns, ifi. 17.


## IT IS NOT THE TEAR AT THIS MOMENT SHED.*

> AIR - THE SIXPENCE.
 worth shall look fair-er, and truth more bright, When we think how he liv'd but to love
him. 'Tis the them! And, as


- These lines were occasioned by the loss of a very near and dear relativo, who died letely at Madeira

sad re - membrance, fond -ly kept, When all o - - ther griefs have fad - - ed! hearts shall borrow a sweet'ning bloom From the i-mage he left therein dy - - ing!

'TIS BELIEV'D THAT THIS HARP, WHICH I WAKE NOW FOR THEE. AIR-GAGE FANE.

THEORIGINOFTE』 HARP。

Moderate Time.



3
Still her bosom rose fair -still her cheek smil'd the same While her sea-beauties gracefully curl'd round the frame; And her hair, Shedding tear-drops from all its bright rings, Fell over her white arm, to make the gold strings !*

Hence it came, that this soft Harp so long hath been known Still to mingle love's language with sorrow's sad tone; Till thou didst divide them, and teach the fond lay,
To be love, when I'm near thee, and grief, when away!

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## LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.

AIB - THE OLD WOMAN.

## 



lentando. tempo.
 love's young dream.

2. Though the bard to purer fame may soar, When wild youth's past ;
Though he win the wise, who frowned before, To smile at last;

He 'll never meet
A joy so sweet,
In all his noon of fame,
As when first he sang to woman's ear
His soul-felt flame;
And, at every close, she blush'd to hes*
The one lov'd name.
3. No! that hallow'd form is ne'er forgot, Which first love trac'd ;
Still it ling'ring haunts the greenest spot On mem'ry's waste.
'Twas odour fled,
As soon as shed;
'Twas morning's winged dream:
'Twas a light that ne'er can shine again On life's dull stream.
Oh! twas light which ne'er can shine again On lifn's dull stream.

## LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.

HARMONIZED FOR THREE VOICES.


1. O the days are gone when beauty bright My heart's chain wove; When my dream of life from morn till night Was

2. Tho' the bard to pur - er fame may soar When wild youth's past, Tho' he win the wise who frown'd before To

3. No, that hal-low'd spot is ne'er for-got, Which first-love trac'd; Still it ling'ring haunts the greenest spot On


- It is cuarcely necessary to offor any apology for inserting a cecond arrangement or this choice gem.

love, still love. New hope may bloom, And days may come Of milder, calmer beam, But there's nothing half so

smile at last, He'll ne-ver meet $A$ joy so sweet, In all his noon of fame, As when first he sang to

mem' - ry's waste,'Twas o-dour fled,As soon as shed,'Twas morning's winged dream ; 'Twas a light that ne'er can

slentando a tempo.
ritardando.

sweet in life, As love's young dream, No, there's nothing half so sweet in life As love's young dream.
 slentando a tempo.

shine a-gain On life's dull stream, 'Twas a light that ne'er can shine a-gain On life's dull stream.



## WEEP ON, WEEP ON.

AIR - THE SONG OF SORROW.
 o'er; The fa . . tal chain is round you cast, And you are men no


gain.


2
Weep on! perhaps, in after days,
They'll learn to love your name;
And many a deed may wake in praise,
That long hath slept in blame!
And, when they tread the ruin'd Isle,
Where rest, at length, the lord and slave,
They'll wond'ring ask, how hands so vile,
Could conquer hearts so brave.

3
"'Twas fate," they'll say, "a wayward fate, Your web of discord wove;
And while your tyrants join'd in hate, You never join'd in love.
But hearts fell off that ought to twine, And Men profan'd what God had giv'n, Till some were heard to curse the shrine Where others knelt to Heav'n."

## I SAW THY FORM IN YOUTHFUL PRIME.




If souls could always dwell above, Thou ne'er hadst left that sphere ;
Or conld we keep the souls we love, We ne'er had lost thee here, Mary!

Though many a gifted mind we meet, Though fairest forms we see, To live with them is far less sweet Than to remember thee, Mary!*

[^8]ARR - THE BROWN IRISH GIRL.


Kevin stole to sleep. "Here, at least," he calmly said, "Woman ne'er shall find my bed." Ab! the good Saint little knew What the

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3. On the bold cliff's bosom cast, Tranquil now he sleeps at last; Dreams of heav'n, nor thinks that e'er Woman's smile can haunt him there.
But nor earth or heav'n is free From her pow'r, if fond she be: Even now, while calm he sleeps, Kathleen o'er him leans and weeps.
4. Fearless she had track'd his feet To this rocky, wild retreat, And when morning met his view, Her mild glances met it too.

Ah! your Saints have cruel hearts! Sternly from his bed he starts, And with rude repulsive shock, Hurls her from the beetling rock.
5. Glendalough, thy gloomy wave Soon was gentle Kathleen's grave! Soon the Saint (yet, ah! too late) Felt her love, and mourn'd her fate. When he said, "Heav'n rest her soul.' Round the Lake light music stole; And her ghost was seen to glide Smiling o'er the fatal tide.

## WHEN THROUGH LIFE UNBLEST WE ROVE.


 us'd to love In days of boybood, meet our ear; Oh, how welcome breathes the strain! Wak'ning tho'ts that long have slept;


Kindling former smiles a-gain, In faded cyes, that long have $\begin{gathered}\text { ept ! }\end{gathered}$


2. Like the gale, that sighs a - long Beds of o--ri - - en - tal flow'rs, Is the grate - ful
3. Mu-sic!-oh, how faint, how weak, Language fades be - - fore thy spell! Why should feel-ing


尼 breath of song, That once was heard in hap-pier hours. Fill'd with balm, the gale sighs on, ev - er speak, When thou canst breathe her soul so well. Friendship's balmy words may feign,


Love's are ev'n more false than they; Oh!'tis on - ly Mu - sic's strain Can sweet - ly soothe and not be-tray!


## DRINK TO HER.

AIR - HEIGH-HO! MY JACEY.



1. Drink to her, who long Hath wak'd the po-et's sigh; The girl, who gave to song What

gold could nev - er buy. Oh! wo-man's heart was made For min - strel hands a - lone; By


o - ther fin-gers play'd, It yields not half the tone. Then, here's to her, who long Hath

wak'd the po-et's sigh, The girl, whogave to song What gold could ne - ver buy!


At Beauty's door of glass,
Where Wealth and Wit once stood,
They asked her, "which might pass?"
She answered "he who could."
With golden key, Wealth thought
To pass, but 'twould not do ;
While Wit a diamond brought,
Which cut his bright way through ' 'Then here's to her, \&c.

## 3

The love, that seeks a home
Where wealth or grandeur shines,
Is like the gloomy gnome,
That dwells in dark gold mines.
But oh! the poet's love
Can boast a brighter sphere;
It 's native home's above,
Though woman keeps it here!
Then drink to her, \&ec.

## 0H! BREATHE NOT HIS NAME.*



Ob! breathe not his name, let it sleep in the shade, Where cold and un-honour'd his re ... lics are laid.


Ob! breathe not his name, let it sleep in the shade, Where cold and un-honour'd his re ... lics are laid!


* This song was suggested by the well known preface, in Robert Emmett's dying speech: 一 "Let no man writo my epitaph...... let my tomb remain nninscribed, till other times and other men shall learn to do justice to my memory."


Sad, si-lent, and dark, be the tears that we shed, As the night-dew that falls on the grass o'er his head.


Sad, si-lent, and dark, be the tears that we shed, As the night-dew that falls on the grass o'er his head.


2
But the night-dew that falls, though in silence it weeps, Shall brighten with verdure the grave where he sleeps; And the tear that we shed, though in secret it rolls, Shall long keep his memory green in our souls

## LESBIA HATH A BEAMING EYE.

AIR - NORA CREINA.

(46-j三-2 1. Les - bia hath a beam-ing eye, But no one knows for whom it beam-eth; Right and left the
 ar-rows fly, But what they aim at, no one dream-eth. Sweeter 'tis to gaze up = on My


No - ra's lid that sel - dom ri - ses; Few its looks, but eve - ry one, Like un - ex-pect - ed


2. Lesbia wears a robe of gold,

But all so close the nymph hath lac'd it, Not a charm of beauty's mould

Presumes to stay where nature placed it.
Oh! my Nora's gown for me,
That floats as wild as mountain breezes,
Leaving ev'ry beauty free
To sink or swell as heaven pleases.
Yes, my Nora Creina dear!
My simple, graceful Nora Creina!
Nature's dress,
Is loveliness -
The dress you wear, my Nora Creina
3. Lesbia hath a wit refin'd,

But, when its points are gleaming round us Who can tell if they're designed

To dazzle merely, or to wound us?
Pillow'd on my Nora's heart,
In safer slumber love reposes -
Bed of peace! whose roughest part
Is but the crumpling of the roses.
Oh, my Nora Creina dear!
My mild, my artless Nora Creina!
Wit, though bright,
Hath no such light,
As warms your eyes, my Nora Creina !

## THE SHAMROCK.

> AIB - ALLEY CROKER.


1. Thro' E-rin's isle, To sport a-while, As Love and Va - lour wan-der'd, With wit, the sprite, whose quiver bright A

thou-sand ar-rows squan-der'd, Where'er they pass A tri-ple grass * Shoots up, with dew-drops stream-ing, As


* Ssint Patrick is said to have made use of that species of the trefoil, to which in Ireland we gire the name of Sbamrock, in explaining the doctrine of the Trinity to the Pagan Irish. I do not know if chere be anjother reason for our adoption of this plant as a nationsl emblem. Hope, among the ucionth, was sometimes represented as a beautiful child, "standing upon tip-wes, and a trefoil or three-colored grass in ber kand."

green im-mor-tal Shamrock! Cho - sen leaf of Bard and Chief, Old E-rin's na-tive Shamrock!


Says Valour, "See!
They spring for me,
Those leafy gems of morning!"
Says Love, "No, no,
For me they grow,
My fragrant path adorning!"
But Wit perceives
The triple leaves,

And cries, "Oh! do not sever
A type that blends
Three godlike friends,
Love, Valour, Wit, forever!" Oh, the Shamrock!
The green immortal Shamrock!
Chosen leaf of Bard and Chief.
Old Erin's native Shamrock!

## AVENGING AND BRIGHT.

## AIR-CROOGHAN A VENEE.*



1. $\dagger$ A - veng - ing and bright fall the 2. By the red cloud that hung o-ver


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3. We swear to revenge them ! - no joy shall be tasted, The harp shall be silent, the maiden unwed, Our halls shall be mute, and our fields shall lie wasted, Till vengeance is wreak'd on the murderer's head.
4. Yes, monarch, though sweet are our home recollections, Though sweet are the tears that from tenderness fall; Though sweet are our friendships, our hopes, our affections, Revenge on a tvrant is sweetest of all!

## SHE IS FAR FROM THE LAND.

AIB - OPEN THE DOOR
HARMONIZED FOR ONE, THO, OR THREE VOICES.


1. She is far from the land where her young be-ro sleeps, And lov-ers are round ber sigh - ing: 2. She sings the wild song of her dear na-tive plains, Ev'ry note which be lor'd 8--wak-ing;-Qib-2
2. He bad liv'd for his love, for his coun - try be died, They were all that life bad en - twin'd him;



Ab ! lit-tle they think who de - light in her strains, That the heart of the minstrel is break ing.


Nor soon shall the tears of his coun - try be dried, Nor long will his love stay be - hind him.


4
Oh! make her a grave where the sunbeams rest,
When they promise a glorious morrow!
They'll shine o'er her sleep, like a smile from the West,
From her own lov'd island of sorrow.

## NAY, TELL ME NOT.

AIR - DENTS, DUNT BE THREATENING.

With archness and spirit.


1. Nay, tell me not, dear, that the goblet drowns One charm of feeling, one fond regret; Be -

lieve me, a few of thy angry frowns Are all I've sunk in its bright wave yet. Ne'er hath a beam Been

lost in the stream That ever was shed from thy form or soul ; The spell of those eyes, The balm of thy sighs, Stil


float on the surface, and hallow my bowl. Then fancy not, dearest, that wine can steal One blissful dream of the

heart from me; Like founts that awak-en the pilgrim's zeal, The bowl but brightens my love for thee.


2
They tell us that Love, in his fairy bow'r,
Had two blush-roses, of birth divine ;
But sprinkled the one with a rainbow's show'r,
He bath'd the other with mantling wine.
Soon did the buds, that drank of the floods
Distill'd by the rainbow, decline and fade;
While those which the tide, of ruby had dy'd,
All blush'd into beauty, like thee, sweet mald!
Then fancy not, dearest, that wine can steal
One blissful dream of the heart from me;
Like founts that awaken the pilgrim's zeal,
The bowl but brightens my love for thee?

## WHAT THE BEE IS TO THE FLOW'RET.

## AIR - THE YELLOW HORSE.

TWO VOICES.


Tenor Voice.
 What the bee is to the flow'ret, When he looks for hon-ey dew, Thro' the leaves that close embow'rit,


Treble.

wan-der near, Whisp'ring kiss-es, while they're go-ing, That I'll be to you, my dear.


Duet.


What the bank, with ver-dure glowing, Is to waves that wan-der near, Whisp'ring kiss-es


Nay, if flow'rs will lose their looks, If sun-ny banks will wear a - . way, 'Tis but right that


2
Treble. But they say the bee's a rover, That he'll fly when sweets are gone, And when once the kiss is over,

Faithless brooks will wander on.
Tenor. Nay, if flow'rs will lose their looks, If sunny banks will wear away, 'Tis but right that bees and brooks

Should sip, and kiss them while they may.

## HERE WE DWELL.

air-cean dubr delish.*
LOVEANDTHENOVIOE.



2
Love stood near the Novice and listen'd, And Love was no novice in taking a hint; His laughing blue eyes soon with piety glisten'd, His rosy wing turn'd to heaven's own tint, "Who would have thought," the urchin cries, "That Love could so well, so gravely disguise His wandering wings and wounding eyes."

## CEAN DUBH DELISH.



pleasures and woes, That chase one a-nother like waves of the deep,-Each billow, as brightly or urn to the fount, Thro' fields full of light, and with heart full of play, Light rambled the boy, o - ver

dark-ly it flows, Re-flecting our eyes, as they sparkle or weep. So close-ly our whims on our meadow and mount, And neglected his task for the flow'rs on the way.* Thus many, like me, who in


mi-se-ries tread, That the laugh is call'd up ere the tear can be dried; And as fast as the rain-drop of youth should have tasted The fountain that runs by philosophy's shrine, Their time with the flow'rs on the

 pi - ty is shed, The goose plumage of folly can turn it a-side. But pledge methe cup, if ex-mar-gin have wasted,And left their light urns all as emp-ty as mine. But pledge me the goblet-while

istence would cloy With hearts ever bappy, and heads ever wise, Be ours the light grief that is sis-ter to joy, And the Idleness weaves These flow'rets together, should wisdom but see One bright drop or two, that has fall'n on the leaves, From her


## THIS EARTH IS THE PLANET.

AIR-NOCH boniv shin doe.


1. They may rail at this life - from the hour I be-gan it, I've found it a life full of 2. In Mercury's star, where each minute can bring them New sunshine and wit from the

kindness and bliss; And un - til they can shew me some happi - er pla-net, More so-cial and bright, I'll con-
fountain on high, Tho' the nymphs may have livelier poets * to sing them, They've none, e-ven there, more e-


[^11] tent me with this. So long as the world has such e-loquent eyes, As be-fore me this moment en namour'd than I. And, as long as this harp can be waken'd to love, And that eye its di - vine in - spi -

raptur'd I see, They may say what they will of their orbs in the skies, But this earth is the pla - net for ra-tion shall be, They may talk as they will of their E-dens a - bove, But this earth is the pla-net for


3
In that star of the west, by whose shadowy splendour, At twilight, so often we've roam'd through the dew, There are maidens, perhaps, who have bosoms as tender, And look, in their twilights,* as lovely as you.
But though they were even more bright than the queen Of that isle they inhabit in heaven's blue sea,
As I never these fair young celestials have seen, Why, this earth is the planet for you, love, and me.

4
As for those chilly orbs on the verge of creation, Where sunshine and smiles must be equally rare, Did they want a supply of cold hearts for that station, Heav'n knows we have plenty on earth we could spare O think what a world we should have of it here, If the haters of peace, of affection and glee, Were to fly up to Saturn's comfortless sphere, And leave earth to such spirits as you, lore, and me.

* La Terra pourra être pour Vonus l'etoile du berger et Ia mere des amours, comme Venas l'est pour nous. - Pluradid des Mondes


## ONE BUMPER AT PARTING.




## 2

As onward we journey, how pleasant, To pause and inhabit awhile Those few sunny spots, like the present, That 'mid the dull wilderness smile! But Time, like a pitiless master,

Cries "onward!" and spurs the gay hours, Ah, never does Time travel faster,

Than when his way lies among flow'rs
But come, may our life's happy measure
Be all of such moments made up; They're born on the bosom of pleasure, They die midst the tears of the cup.

## 3

How brilliant the sun look'd in sinking! The waters beneath him how bright! Oh! trust me, the farewell of drinking Should be like the farewell of light. You saw how he finish'd, by darting, His beam o'er a deep billow's brim, So fill up, let's shine at our parting, In full liquid glory, like him.
And oh! may our life's happy measure Of moments like this be made up;
'Twas born on the bosom of pleasure It dies midst the tears of the cup

## THE LAST ROSE OF SUMMER.

air - THE groves of blarney.



2 I'll not leave thee, thou lone one,
To pine on the stem;
Since the lovely are sleeping,
Go, sleep thou with them;
Thus kindly I seatter
Thy leaves o'er the bed, Where thy mates of the garden

Lie scentless and dead.
3. So soon may 1 follow, When friendships decay, And from Love's shining circle

The gems drop away!
When true hearts lic wither'd, And fond ones are llown, Oh! who would inhabit This bleak world alone ${ }^{2}$



## THE YOUNG MAY MOON.

 gleam - ing, love, How aweet to rove Thro' Mor - na's grove,* While the drow - sy world is dreaming, love !


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Then a - wake! the heav'ns look bright! my dear! 'Tis ne - ver too late for de-light, my dear! And the


Now all the world is sleeping, love, But the Sage, his star-watch keeping, love, And I, whose star, More glorious far,
Is the eye from that casement peeping, love.

Then awake!-'till rise of sun, my dear, The Sage's glass we'll shun, my dear, Or in watching the flight Of bodies of light,
He might happen to take thee for one, my dear.

## THE MINSTREL BOY.



1. The min-strel boy to the war is gone, In the ranks of death you'll find him; His




father's sword he has gird - ed on, And his wild harp slung be - hind him.

harp he lov'd ne'er spoke a - gain, For he tore its chords a - - sun - der; And

said, "No chains shall sur - by thee. Thou soul of love and bra-ve-ry! Thy



## FORGET NOT THE FIELD.

AIR - THE LAMENTATION OF AUGHRIM.

2. Oh! could we from death but recover Those hearts, as they bounded before, In the face of high heav'n to fight over

That combat for Freedom once more:-
3. Could the chain for an instant be riven

Which Tyranny flung round us then.
Oh! 'tis not in man, nor in Heaven, To let Tyranny bind it again!
4. But 'tis past, and tho' blazon'd in story, The name of our Victor may be, Accurst is the march of that glory Which treads o'er the hearts of the free
5. Far dearer the grave or the prison, Illum'd by one patriot name,
Than the trophies of all who have risen. On Liberty's ruins, to fame:

## 0H! FOR THE SWORDS OF FORMER TIME!

AIR - NAME UNKNOWN.

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1. Oh! for the swords of for-mer time! Oh! for the men who bore them, When arm'd for Right, they stood sublime, And

tyrants crouch'd before them! When pure yet, ere courts be - gan With ho - nors to en-slave him, The



Oh! for the men who bore them, When arm'd for Right they stood sub-lime, And tyrants crouch'd before them.


2
Oh! for the Kings who flourish'd then,
Oh! for the pomp that crown'd them,
When hearts and hands of free-born men
Were all the ramparts round them!
When, safe built on bosoms true,
The throne was but the centre,
Round which Love a circle drew,
That Treason durst not enter.
Oh! for the Kings, \&c.

THESONG OF O'RUARK, PRINCEOF BREFFNI.* air - THE PRETTY GIRL MILKing HER COW.


1. The val-ley lay smil-ing be - fore me, Where late - ly I left her be-hind; Yet I
2. I flew to her chamber,-'twas lone-ly As if the lov'd ten-ant lay dead! Ah,
 the first opportunity of profiting by our divisions and subduing us. The following are the circumstances as related by O'Halloran:-"The Kiug o Leinster had long conceived a violent affection for Dearbhorgil, daughter to the Kiug of Meath, aud though she liad been for some time married to O'Ruark, Prince of Breffni, yet could it uot restrain his passiou. They carried on a private correspondence, aud she informed him that O'Ruark iutended soon to go on a pilgrimage (an act of piety frequent in those days, aud coujured him to embrace that opportunity of couveriug ber from a husband she detested to a lover she adored. Mac Jurchad too punctually obeyed the summons, aud had the lady conveyed to his capital if Ferns." It e monarch Roderic espoused the cause of O'Ruark, while Misc Murchad fled to England, and obtaine $\rfloor$ the assistance of Henry II.
"Such " adds Giraldus Cambrensis (as I find him in an old translation,) "is the variable and ficklo uature of womau, by whom all $\mathbf{r}$ chiefs ir the world (fol the most part) do happen and corne, as may appear by Jarcus Autoniuus, and by the dertruction of toy."


I look'd for the lamp, which she told me Should shine when her pil-grim re - turn'd, But, :ho' And there hung the lute, that could soft-en My ve - ry worst pains in - to bliss, While the

dark-ness be-gan to in-fold me, No lamp from the bat-tle-ments burn'd. hand, that had wak'd it so oft - en, Now throbb'd to my proud ri - val's kiss.


3
There wos a time, falsest of women!
When Breffni's good sword would have sought That man, through a million of foemen,

Who dar'd but to doubt thee in thought !
While now-oh! degenerate daughter Of Erin, how fall'n is thy fame!
And through ages of bondage and slaughter,'
Thy country shall bleed for thy shame.

4
Already, the curse is upon her, And strangers her valleys profane; They come to divide-to dishonour, And tyrants they long will remain! But onward! the green banner rearing, Go, flesh ev'ry sword to the hilt; On our side is Virtue and Erin, On theirs is the Saxon and Guilr.

## OH! HAD WE SOME BRIGHT LITTLE ISLE.

AIR - SHEELA NA GUIRA.


With lightness, and in moderate time.
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1. Oh! had we some bright lit-tle Isle of our own, In a blue summer 2. There, with souls e - ver ar-dent and pure as the clime, We should love as they
 o-cean, far off and a-lone; Where a leaf nev-er dies in the still-blooming lov'd in the first gold -. en time; 'The glow of the sun-shine, the balm of the
 bow'rs, And the bee ban - quets on through a whole year of flow'rs. air, Would steal to our hearts, and make all sum --mer there '


MOORE'S IRISH MELODIES.


## FAREWELL! BUT WHENEVER YOU WELCOME THE HOUR.

AIR - MOLL ROONE.


Fare - well! but whenever you welcome the hour That a - wakens the night-song of mirth in your bow'r, Then

think of the friend, who once wel-com'd it too, And for - got his own griefs to be bap - py with you.

think of the friend, whoonce wel-com'd it too, And for - got his own griefs to be hap-py with you.


ne'er will for-get the short vis - ion, that threw Its en -chantment a-round him, while ling'ring with you.

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Let fate do her worst, there are relics of joy, Bright dreams of the past, which she cannot destroy ; Which come, in the night-time of sorrow and care, And bring back the features that joy usd to wear. Long, long be my heart with such memories fill'd! Like the vase in which roses have once been distill' $d$, You may break, you may ruin the vase, if you will But the scent of the roses will hang round it still.

## FAREWELL, BUT WHENEVER YOU WELCOME THE HOUR.



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But he ne'er will forget the short vision that threw It's er-

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## Y OU REMEMBER ELLEN.*



1. You re-mem-ber El-len, our ham - let's pride, How meekly she bless'd her hum - ble lot, When the


* Thi Ballad was suggested by a well-known and interesting story, told of a certain Noble Family in England.


To - geth-er they toil'd thro' winds and rains, 'Till William at length in sad-ness said, They must


2
They roamed a long and a weary way, Nor much was the maiden's heart at ease, When now, at close of one stormy day, They see a proud castle among the trees.
"To-night," said the youth, "we'll shelter there, The wind blows cold, the hour is late:"
So he blew the horn with a chieftain's air, And the Porter bow'd as they pass'd the gate

3
"Now welcome, Lady," exclaim'd the youth, "This castle is thine, and these dark woods all." She believ'd him wild, but his words were truth For Ellen is Lady of Rosna Hall. And dearly the Lord of Rosna loves What William the stranger woo'd and wed And the light of bliss, in these lordly groves, Is pure as it shone in the lowly shed.

## I'D MOURN THE HOPES THAT LEAVE ME.

AIR-THE ROSE TREE.
FOR ONE, TWO, OR THREE VOICES


1. I'd mourn the hopes that leave me, If thy smiles had left it too; I'd weep when friends deceive me, If

2. 'Tis not in fate to harm nie, While fate leaves thy love to me;'Tis not in joy to charm me, Un-

3. And tho' the hope be gone, love, That long sparkled o'er our way, Oh! we shall journey on love, More


tempo.
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clouds can lin-ger o'er me, That smile turns them all to light?

waking bliss without thee, My own love, my on-ly dear.


## COME O'ER THE SEA.

With Impassioned Melancholy.
 storm, and snows; Seasons may roll, But the true soul Burns the same where'er it gocs. Let


2. Was not the sea

Made for the free,
Land for courts and chains alone?
Here we are slaves,
But, on the waves,
Love and liberty's all our own.
No eye to watch, and no tongue to wound us,
All earth forgot, and all heaven around us.
Then, come o'er the sea, \&c.

## HAS SORROW THY YOUNG DAYS SHADED.

AIR — SLY PATRICK
HARMONIZED FOR ONE OR TWO VOICES.


1. Has sorrow thy young days shaded, As clouds o'er the morning fleet? Too fast have those young days

2. Has love to that soul, so tender,Been like our La-ge-nian mine,* Where sparkles of gold-en


- Our Wicklow Gold Mines, to which this verse alludes, deserve, I fear, but too well the character here given of them.

feeling that once was dear? Then, child of misfortune, come hither, I'll weep with thee, tear for tear.

lur'd by the gleam that shone, Ah! false as the dreams of the sleeper, Like Love, the bright ore is gone.


Has Hope, like the bird in the story,*
That flitted from tree to tree
With the talisman's glittering glory,
Has Hope been that bird to thee?
On branch after branch alighting,
The gem did she still display,
And, when nearest and most inviting,
Then waft the fair gem away.

4
If thus the young hours have fleeted, When sorrow itself loo t'd bright;
If thus the fair hope hath cheated, That led thee along so light;
If thus the cold world now wither Each feeling that once was dear:-
Come, child of misfortune, come hither, I'll weep with thee, tear for tear.

- The bird, having got its prize, settled not far off, with the talisman in its mouth. The prince drew near it, hoping it would drop it; but a be approached, the bird took wing. and settled again," \&e.-Arabian Nights


## N0, NOT MORE WELCOME.


lentando.


2
Sweet voice of comfort!' 'twas like the stealing
Of summer wind thro' some wreathed shell ;
Each secret winding, each iumost feeling
Of all my soul echoed to its spell.
'Twas whisper'd balm - 'Twas sunshine spoken!
I'd live years of grief and pain
To have my long sleep of sorrow broken
By such benign blessed sounds again.

## WHEN FIRST I MET THEE.

ath-O Patrick! fly from me." In Moderate time.


1. When first I met thee, warm and young, There shone such truth about thee, And on thy lip such友白

2 When ev'ry tongue thy fol - lies nam'd, I fled th'unwelcome sto - ry; Or found in ev'n the

promise hung, I did not dare to doubt thee. I saw thee change, yet still relied,Still clung with hope the


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fond - er, And thought, tho' false to all beside, From me thou couldst not wan - - der. But go, de-

slight thee; The heart that now thy falsehood rends Would then have bled to right thee. But go, de-

ceiv-er, go ! The heart, whose hopes could make it Trust one so false, so low, Deserves that thou shouldst break it.

ceiv - er, go ! Some day, perhaps, thou'lt wak - en From pleasure's dream to know The grief of hearts for - sak - - en.

3. Ev'n now, though youth its bloom has shed, No lights of age adorn thee;
The few who lov'd thee once have fled; And they who flater scorn thee.
Thy mid-night cup is pledg'd to slaves, No genial ties enwreathe it ;
The smiling there, like light on graves, Has rank cold hearts beneath it.
Go, go, though worlds were thine, I would not now surrender
One taintless tear of mine For all thy guilty splendour!
4. And days may come, thou false one! yet, When ev'n those ties shall sever; When thou wilt call, with vain regret, On ber thou'st lost forever;
On her, who in thy fortune's fall, With smiles had still receiv'd thee, And gladly died to prove thee all, Her fancy first believ'd thee.
Go, go, 'tis rain to curse, 'Tis weakness to upbraid thee ;
Hate cannot wish thee worse Than guilt and shame have made thoe.


While Histo-ry's Muse the me-mo-rial was keeping Of all that the dark hand of Destiny weaves, Be -


Q side her the Genius of E-rin stood weeping, For her's was the sto-ry that blotted the leaves. But



His-to-ry write, With a pencil of light,'That illumin'd the whole volume, her Welligton's name.

2. "Hail, Star of my Isle !" said the Spirit, all sparkling With beams, such as break from her own dewy skies, "Through ages of sorrow, deserted and darkling, I've watch'd for some glory like thine to arise. For though Heroes I've number'd, unblest was their lot,

And unhallow'd they sleep in the crossways of fame; But oh! there is not One dishonouring blot On the wreath that encircles my Wellington's name.
3. Yet still the last crown of thy toils is remaining, The grandest, the purest, ev'n thou hast yet known ; Though proud was thy task, other nations unchaining, Far prouder to heal the deep wounds of thy own. At the foot of that throne, for whose weal thou hast stood, Go, plead for the land that first cradled thy fame, And bright o'er the flood of her tears and her blood, Let the rainbow of Hope be her Wellington's name "

## THE TIME I'VE LOST IN W00ING.




Her smile when Beauty granted, I hung with gaze enchanted,

Like him the Sprite,*
Whom maids by night
Oft meet in glen that 's haunted.
Like him, too, Beanty won me,
But while her eyes were on me,
If once their ray
Was turn'd away,
Oh! winds could not outrun me.

3
And are those follies going?
And is my proud heart growing
Too cold or wise
For brilliant eyes
Again to set it glowing.
No, vain, alas! th' endeavour
From bonds so sweet to sever;
Poor Wisdom's chance
Against a glance,
Is now as weak as ever.

- This alludes to a kind of Irish Fairy, which is to be met with, they say, in the fields, at dnsk. As long as you keep yonr eves upon him, he is fixed and in your power; - but the moment you look away, (and he is ingenious in furnishing some inducement) he vanisbes. I had thought that this wat the sprite which we call the Leprechaun; but a high anthority upon such subjects, Lady Morgan 'im a note upou ber national and interes:ing novel O'Donnel), has given a very different account of that gubion.


## OH! WHERE'S THE SLAVE.



2. Less dear the laurel growing, Alive, untouch'd and blowing, Than that whose braid Is pluck'd to shade
The brows with vict'ry glowing

We tread the land that bore us, Her green flag glitters o'er us, The friends we've tried
Are by our side,
And the foe we hate before us Farewell, Erin, \&:

## COME, REST IN THIS BOSOM

AIR - LOUGH SHEELING.


2. Oh! what was love made for, if 'tis not the same

Through joy and through torment, through glory and shame?
I know not, I ask not, if guilt's in that heart,
I but know that I love thee, whatever thou art.
3. Thou hast called me thy angel in moments of bliss, And thy angel I'll be, 'mid the horrors of this, Through the furnace, unshrinking, thy steps to pursue, And shield thee, and save thee, or perish there too.

## COME REST IN THIS BOSOM.

ANOTHER ARRANGEMENT.*
By Kiallmaxi


- Although this is not an Irish air, and has not been inserted in the Enropean edition of Moore's Melodies, yet the great favor with which it has been received in this ceuntry, will be deemed a sufficient apology for its insertion.


Here still is the smile, That no cloud can o'er •


## I SAW FROM THE BEACH.

AIR - MISS. MOLLY.
FOR ONE OR TWO VOICES.

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1. I saw from the beach, when the morn-ing was shin-ing, A bark o'er the wa-ters move
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2. And such is the fate of our life's ear-ly pro-mise, So pass-ing the spring-tide of

lentando.

glo-rious-ly on ; I came when the sun o'er the beach was de - clin-ing, The


bark was still there, but the wa-ters were gone.


3
Ne'er tell me of glories serenely adorning
The close of our day, the calm eve of our night;
$\|$ : Give me back, give me back the wild freshness of morning, Her clouds and her tears are worth ev'ning's best light. :\|

4
Oh! who would not welcome that moment's returning, When passion first wak'd a new life through his frame, II: And his soul, like the wood that grows precious in burning, Gave out all its sweets to love's exquisite flame. : $\|$

## FILL THE BUMPER FAIR.

AIR - BOB AND JOAN.



As when thro' the flame It shoots from brimming glass-es. Fill the bum-per fair,

2. Sages can, they say,

Grasp the lightning's pinions,
And bring down its ray
From the starr'd dominions:
So we, Sages sit,
And, 'mid bumpers bright'ning,
From the heav'n of wit,
Draw down all its lightning! Fill, \&c.
3. Would'st thou know what first

Made our souls inherit
This ennobling thirst
For wine's celestial spirit?
It chanc'd upon that day, When, as bards inform us,
Prometheus stole away
The living fire that warms us, Fill, \&c.
4. The careless Youth, when up

To Glory's fount aspiring,
Took nor urn nor cup
To hide the pilfer'd fire in.
But oh! his joy, when round
The halls of Heaven spying, Among the stars he found

A bowl of Bacchus lying! Fill, \&ce.
5. Some drops were in that bowl,

Remains of last night's ${ }_{1}$ leasure,
With which the Sparks of Suul
Mix'd their burning treasure
Hence the goblet's show'r
Hath such spells to win us ;
Hence its mighty power
D'er the flame within us. Fill, de.

## DEAR HARP OF MY COUNTRY.

## AR - NFW I.ANGOLEE. <br> 


darkness I found thee, The cold chain of silence had hung o'er thee long, When proudly my own Is-land

"In that rcbellions, but beautiful song, "When Erin first arose," there is, if I recollect right, the following line:-
"The dark chain of Silence was tlirown o'er the deep."
The chain of Silence was a sort of practical figure of rhetoric among the ancient Irish. Walker tells ins of "a celebrated contention for precedence between Finn and Gaul, near Finn's place, at Almhaim, where the attending Bards, anxious, if possible, to produce a cessation of hostilities, shook the chain of Silence. and flung themselves among the ranks." See also the Ode to Gaul, the Son of Morni, in Miss Brooke's Religues of lrish Poelry


2
light note of gladness Have waken＇d thy fondest，thy live－li－est thrill，But so oft hast thou echo＇d the

（2\＃－1－N二小心 deep sigh of sad－ness，That ev＇n in thy mirth it will steal from thee still．


Dear Harp of my Country！farewell to thy numbers， This sweet wreath of song is the last we shall twine； Go，sleep with the sunshine of fame on thy slumbers， Till touch＇d by some band less unworthy than mine．

2
If the pulse of the Patriot，Soldier，or Lover， Have throbb＇d at our lay，＇tis thy glory alone ； I was but as the wind，passing beedlessly over，


## MY GENTLE HARP!

AIR - THE COINA OR DIRGE.

of thy slumb'ring strain; peace and tri-umph came,

In tears our last When many an ar
fare-well was tak-en, And now in dent bo-som bounded, With hopes, that



Then, who can ask for notes of pleasure, My drooping Harp, from chords like thine ?
Alas! the lark's gay morning measure As ill would suit the swan's decline.
Or how shall I, who love, who bless thee, Invoke thy breath for Freedom's strains, When ev'n the wreaths in which I dress thee Are sadly mix'd - half flow'rs, half chains.

4
But, come - if yet thy frame can borrow One breath of joy - O breathe for me, And show the world, in chains and sorrow, How sweet thy music still can be.
How lightly, ev'n 'mid gloom surrounding, Thou yet can'st wake at pleasure's thrill : Like Memnon's broken image, sounding, Mid desolation tuneful still! *

- Dimidio magica resonant ubi Memnone chordæ. Atque vetus Thebe centum jacet obruta purtis. Juvenal.


## AS SL0W 0UR SHIP.

AIR - THE GIRL I LEFT beilnd me.


1. As slow our ship her foam - y track A-gainst the wind was cleav-ing, Her 2. When round the bowl of van-ish'd years We talk, with joy - ous seem-ing, And


trem - bling pen - nant still look'd back To smiles, that might as well be tears, So




3
3. And, when in other climes we meet

Some isle or vale enchanting,
Where all looks flow'ry, wild, and sweet,
And nought but love is wanting ;
We think how great had been our bliss,
If Heav'n had but assign'd us
To live and die in scenes like this,
With some we've left behind us !
4. As trav'llers oft $u \cdot \mathrm{k}$ back, at eve, When eastward darkly going, To gaze upon that light they leave Still faint behind them glowing. So, when the close of pleasure's day To gloom hath near consign'd us, We turn to catch one fading ray Of joy that's left behind us !

## IN THE MORNING OF LIFE.

AIR - THE LItTLE HARVEST ROSE.
FOR ONE OR TWO VOICES.

plea - sures in all theirnew lus - tre be gin, When we live in a brightrbeaming world of our own, And the

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light that surrounds us is all from within ; 0 'tis not, believe me, in that happy time We can lovc. as in honrs of less

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2
When we sce the first charm of our youth pass us by, Like a leaf on the stream, that will never return ;
When our cup, which hath sparkled with pleasure so high, Now tastes of the other, the dark flowing urn;
Then, then is the moment affection can sway
With a depth and a tenderness joy never knew ;
Love, nurs'd among pleasures is faithless as they, Bnt the Love, born of Sorrow, like sorrow is true !

3
In climes full of sunshine, though splendid their dyes, Yet faint is the odour the flow'rs shed abont;
'Tis the clouds and the mists of our own weeping skies, That call their full spirit of fragrancy out; So the wild glow of passion inay kindle from mirth, But 'tis only in grief true affection appears ;
To the magic of smiles it may first owe its birth, But the soul of its sweetness is drawn out by teare '

## WHEN COLD IN THE EARTH.

AIR - LINERICE'S LAMEN'TATIONS.*
 confidently clamed for us by Mr. Bunting and others, I thought 1 should not be authorized in leaving it out of this collection.


## REMEMBER THEE!

AB-CASTLE TIROWEN.



Wert thou all that I wish thee, great, glorious and free,
First flow'r of the earth, and first gem of the sea;
I might hail thee with prouder, with happier brow,
But oh! could I love thee more deeply than now ?

No! thy chains, as they torture thy blood as it runs, But make thee more painfully dear to thy sons; Whose hearts, like the young of the desert-bird's nest, Drink love in each life-drop that flows from thy breast !

## WREATHE THE BOWL.

Gaily and brilliantly.
AIR - NORA KISTA.

take a flight Tow'rds heav'n to-night, And leave dull earth be-hind us! Should Love a -mid the



Jrown him if he stings us. Then wreathe the bowl With flow'rs of soul, The brightest Wit can find us; We'll


2
'Twas nectar fed, of old, 'tis said, Their Junos, Joves, Apollos; And Man may brew his nectar too, The rich receipt's as follows :-
Take wine like this, let looks of bliss, Around it well be blended,
Then bring Wit's beam to warm the stream, And there's your nectar splendid!
So, wreathe the bowl with flow'rs of soul, The brightest Wit can find us;
We'll take a flight tow'rds heav'n to-night, And leave dull earth behind us.

3
Say, why did Time his glass sublime Fill up with sands unsightly?
When wine, he knew, runs brisker through, And sparkles far more brightly.
0 lend it us, and smiling thus, The glass in two we'd sever, Make pleasure glide, in double tide, And fill both ends for ever!
Then wreathe the bowl with flow'rs of soul, The brightest Wit can find us;
We'll take a flight tow'rds heav'n to-night, And leave dull earth behind us !

## WHENE'ER I SEE THOSE SMILING EYES.



1. When-e'er I see those smil-ing eyes, All fill'd with hope, and joy, . . and light, As


sigh to think how soon that brow In grief may lose its ev - 'ry ray, And

that light heart, so joy - ous now, Al-most for - got it once . . . was gay.


2
For Time will come with all his blights,
The ruin'd hope, the friend unkind;
And Love, who leaves where'er he lights,
A chill'd or burning heart behind;
Add Youth, that like pure snow appears
Ere sullied by the dark'ning rain,
When once 'tis touch'd by sorrow's tears,
Will never shine so bright again!

## IF THOU WILT BE MINE.

AR - THE WINNOWING SHEET.

Flowing and simple.



Triele.

Teron.


1. If thou'lt be mine, the trea - sures of air, Of earth, and sea, shall

2. Bright flow'rs shall bloom wher - e - ver we rove, A voice di - vine shall


MOORE'S IRISH MELODIES.

lizat thy feet; What-e-ver in Fan-cy's eye looks fair, Or in Hope's sweet mu - sic


## 3

And thoughts, whose source is hidden and high, Like streams that flow from heavenward hills, Shall keep our hearts like meads, that lie,

To be bath'd by those eternal rills, Ever green, if thou wilt be mine, love!

## 4

All this and more the Spirit of Love
Can breathe o'er them who feel his spells; That heav'n which forms his home above, He can make on earth, wherever he dwells, As thou 'lt own, if thou wilt be mine, love !

## T0 LADIES' EYES.

AIr-FAGUE a ballagh.


1. To Ladies' eyes a-round, boy, We can't re-fuse, we can't refuse, Tho' bright eyes so abound, boy,'Tis
 hard to chuse, 'tis hard to chuse, For thick as stars that lighten Yon ai - ry bow'rs, yon ai-ry bow'rs, The

 countless eyes that bright - en This earth of ours, this earth of ours. But fill the cup,where'er, boy, Our

choice may fall, our choice may fall, We're sure to find love there, boy, So drink them all! so drink them all!


2
Some eyes there are so holy, I: They seem but giv'n, :\|
As splendid beacons, solely,
$\|$ : To light to heav'n ; :\|
While some, O ne'er believe them,
$\|$ : With tempting ray, : $\|$
Would lead us, (God forgive them!)
$\|$ : The other way. : $\|$
But fill the cup, \&c.

## 3

In some, as in a mirror, ||: Love seems pourtray'd, :\|
But shun the flatt'ring error.
II: 'Tis but his shade. :||
Himself has fix'd his dwelling
$\|$ : In eyes we know, :\|
And lips - but this is telling,
||: So here they go ! :\|
Fill up. fill up, \&c.

## THOUGH DARK ARE OUR SORROWS.


form'd to be grate - ful and blest than ours, But just when the chain Has ceas'd to pain, And Hope has enwreath'd it


- This song was written for a fele in honour of the Prince of Wales' Birth-day, given by my friend Major Bryan, at his seat in the Connty of Kilkenny.
 round with flow'rs, There comes a new link Our spirits to sink-Oh! the joy that we taste, like the light of the poles, Is a


2
Contempt on the minion who calls you disloyal !
Though fierce to your foe, to your friends you are true;
And the tribute most high to a bead that is royal,
Is love from a heart that loves liberty too.
While cowards, who blight
Your fame, your right,
Would slrink from the blaze of battle array,
The Standard of Green
In front would be seen, -
Oh-my life on your faith ! were you summon'd this minute,
You'd cast ev'ry bitter remembrance away,
And show what the arm of Old Erin has in it, When rous'd by the foe on her Prince's Dav

## 8

He loves the Green Isle, and his love is recorded In hearts which bave suffer'd too much to forget ; And hope shall be crown'd, and attachment rewarded, And Erin's gay jubilee shine out set.

The gem may be broke By many a stroke,
But nothing can cloud its native ray ;
Each fragment will cast
A light to the last -
And thus Erin my country, though broken thou art,
There's a lustre within thee, that ne'er will decay;
A spirit which beams through each suffering part,
And now swiles at all pain on her Prince's day.

# OH! DOUBT ME NOT. 

HARMONIEED FOR TWO VOICES.


1. Oh ! doubt me not, the sea - son Is o'er, when Folly made me rove, And now the ves-tal Rea-son Shall

2. And tho' my lute no long - er May sing of Passion's ardent spell, Oh! trust me all the stronger I

watch the fire awak'd by Love, Altho' this heart was early blown, And fairest hands disturb'd the tree, They
 feel the bliss I do not tell. The bee thro' many a garden roves, And sings his lay of courtship o'er, But


only shook some blossoms down, Its fruit has all been kept for thee. Then doubt me not, the sea - son Is
 when he finds the flow'r he loves, He settles there and hums no more. Then doubt menot, the sea-son Is

o'er when Folly made me rove, And now the ves-tal Rea-son Shall watch the firs a-wak'd by Love.

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- The "Sun-barat" was the fanciful name given by the ancient Irish to the Royal Banoer.



## CONCLUDING PIECES FOR THE PIANOFORTE.

AIR-OEAN DUBEDDIISE.


# AIR-THE SNOWY-BREASTED PEARL. 

CAROLAN.


# AIR-PLANXTY JOHNSTONE. 

CAROLAN.

AIR-CAPTAIN MAGAN.



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[^0]:    * Brien Borombe, the great Monarch of Ireland, who was killed at the battle of Clontarf, in the beginning of the 11th Century, after havas defeated the Danes in twenty-five engagements.

    1 Mnnster.
    t The Palace of Brien.

[^1]:    - This alludes to an interesting circnmstance related of the Dalgais, the favorite troops of Brien, when they were interrupted, in their rerin from the battle of Clontarf, by Fitrpatrick, Prince of Ossory. The wounded men entrented that they might be allowed to ficht with the res: "Ifet ulakes," they said. "be stuck in the ground; and suffer each of us, tied to and supported by one of these stakes, to be placed in his rant by the side of a sound man."-"Between seven and eight hundred wounded men," adds 0 Halloran, "pale, emaciated, and supported in this manaer. appesrel mixed with the foremost of the troops :-Never was such another sight exhibited."-History of Ire!and, Book Xll., Chapter L.

[^2]:    - "In the twentr-eighth Fear of the reign of Henry VIII., an Act was made respecting the tabits, and dress in general, of the Irish, wuerebs all persons were restrained from being shorn or shaven above the ears, or from wearing Glibbes, or Coulins, (long locks,) on their heads, or hair cat the appes lip, called Crommeal. On this occasion a song was written by one of our bards, in which an Irish virgin is made to give the preference to her dear Coulin (or the youth with the flowing locks,) to all strangers (by which the English were meant, or those who wore their bahits. Of this ang t: A At alone bas reached us, and is universally admired"- Halkyis' Historical Memoirs of Ikish Bards, puge Ist-Mr. Waiker isforpas as alsa that, about the same period, there were some harsh measures taken against the Irish Minstrels.

[^3]:    - "L every house was one or two harps, free to all travellers, who were the more careosed, the more thevexcelled is masic." - 0 'Eushosur

[^4]:    * Military orders of knights were very early established in Ireland: long before the birth of Christ we find an hereditary order of Chivalry in Ulster, called Curaidhe na Craiobhe ruadh, or the Knights of the Red Branch, from their chief seat in Emanis, adjoining to the palace of the Ulster Kings, called Teagh na Craiobhe ruadh, or the Academy of the Red Branch; and contiguous to which was a large hospital, founded for the sick knights and soldiers, called, Bronbhearg, or the house of the Sorrowful Soldier."-O'Halloran's Introduction, \&c., part i. chap. 5.
    $\dagger$ It was an old tradition in the time of Giraldus, that Lough Neagh had been originally a fountain, by whose sudden overflowing the country whe inundated. ap 1 a whole region, like the Atlantis of Plato, overwhelmed. He says that fishermen, in clear weather, nsed to point out to stragers the tell ooclesiastical towers under the water. Pivcatores aqua illius turres ecclesiastucas, quas more patrice arcter sout ef olte, necnon ef rotwade, mis wrdis manifeste sereno tempore conspiciunt, et extraneis transeuntibus, reigue causas admirandibus, frequenter ostenduri.-Topogr. Eib dist. 8, c. 9.

[^5]:    - To make thle story intelligible, in a song, would require a much greater number of verses than any one is anthorized to Inflict upon an andience as once; the reader must therefore be content to learn in a note, that Fionnuala, the daughter of Llr, was by some supernatural power transformed into a Swan, and condemned to wander for many handred years over certain lakes and rivers, in Ireland, till the comlng of Christianity, when the frst sound of the Mass bell was to be the sigzal of her release - I found this fanciful fiction among some manuscript translations from the frish, which were begun under the direction of that enlightened friend of Ireland, the late Countess of Moirs.

[^6]:     thowe couls, ropesting the words we utter, which we call Echo."

[^7]:    - This thought wan suggested by an ingenious design, preflxed to an ode upon St. Cecilia, published some years sinct, by Mr. Hudson, of Dublin

[^8]:    - I have bere made a feeble effort to imitate that exquigite inncription of Shenstone's, "Heu! quanto minus est cum reliquis Ferni graco tal neminisse!"

[^9]:    - This Ballad is founded upon one of the many stories of SL. Kevin, whose bed in the rock is to be seen at Glendalough, a most gloomy and romantic spot in the county of Wicklow.
    - There are many other carious tradition concerning this Lake, which may be found in Giraldus, Coigan, \&c.

[^10]:    - The name of this beautiful and truly Irish air, is, I am told, properly written Cruachan na Fcine - i. e., the Fenian Mount, or Monat of the Fionian heroes, those brave followers of Fin Mac Cool, so celebrated in the early history of our country.
    † The words of this Song were suggested by the very ancient Irish story called "Deirdri, or the Lamentable Fate of the Sons of Usnach," whlch bas been translated literally from the Gaelic by Mr. O'Flanaghan - (see Vol. I. of Transactions of the Gaelic Society of Dublin), and upon wblih lt appeart that the "Darthula" of Macpherson is founded. The treachery of Conor, King of Ulster, in putting to death the three sons of Usna, was the canse of a desolating war against Ulater, which terminated in the destruction of Eman. "This story," says Mr. O'Flanagan, "has been from tlme lmmemoria held in high repute as one of the three tragic storles of the Irish. These are - "The death of the children of Tonrnan;' "The death of the children of Lear'- (both regarding Tuatha de Danana); and this, "The death of the children of Usnach,' which is a Milesian story." It will be recollected that, on a previous page of these Melodies, there is a ballad upon the story of the children of Lear, or Lir, - "Silent, 0 Moyle!" \&c.
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    I"O Nasi! view that cloud that I here see in the sky! I seo over Eman green a chilling cload of blood-tinged red." - Detrdri's sons.
    6 Ulster.

[^11]:    - Tons les habitans de Mercure sont vifs - Pluralitè des Monder.

[^12]:    " "Steals silently to Morns's grove." - See a translation from the Irish, in Mr. Banting's collection, by John Brown, one of my adieat colloge companions and friends, whose death was as singularly melancholy and unfortunate as his life had been amiable, honourable, and exemplary.

[^13]:    - This very beautiful Irish Air was sent to me by a gentleman of Oxford. There is much pathos in the original words, and bcth words and music have all the features of authenticity.

