LORD THOMAS AND FAIR ANNET. WITH What's that to You. AND A NEW SONG.



Lord Thomas and fair Annet.

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ORD Thomas and fair Annet, fat a day on a hill, When night was come and fun was fet they had not talk'd their fill. Lord Thomas spoke a word in jeft, fair Annet took it ill, I will never wed a wife, against my ain friends will. If ye will never wed a wife, a wife will ne'er wed ye, So he is hame to tell his mother, and kneel'd upon his knee. Advice, me mother he fays, a good advice give me, O fhall latake the nut-brown maid, and let fair Annet be. The nut-brown bride has goud and gear fair Annet she has nane, And the little beauty fair Annet has, O it will foon be gane, And he has till his brother gane, brother, advile ye me, Shall I marry the nut-brown bride, and let fair Annet be?

- (3) The nut-brown bride has oxen brother, the nut-brown bride has kine, I advise you marry the nut-brown bride and caft fair Annet by. Her oxen may die in the house Billy, and her kine into the byre, And I shall have nothing to myfelf, but a fat fadge by the fire; And he is to his fifter gane, fister, advise ye me, O shall I marry the nut-brown bride, and let fair Annec free. I advise you take fair Annet Thomas, and let the brown bride alane. Least ye should figh and fay alas ! what is this we brought hame? Now I will take my mother's counfel, and marry her out of hand, And I will take the nut brown bride, fair Annet may leave the land. Up then role fair Annet's father, two hours or it was day, And he is gone into the bower, wherein fair Annet lay. Rife up, rife up, fair Annet he fays put on your filken shoon, Let us go to St. Mary's kirk,

4) and fee that rich wedding. My maids go to my dreffing room, and drefs to me my hair. Where ever ye lead a plan before fee ye lay ten times mair. My maid go to my dreffing room, and dreis to me my fmock, The half is of the holland fine. and the other of neddle work. The horfe fair Annet rode upon, he amblit like the wind. With filver he was fhod before, with burning gold behind. Four and twenty filver bells, were tied to his mane, With one blaft of the Norland wind. they tinkled one by one. Four and twenty gay good knights, rode by fair Annet's fide, And four and twenty gay ladies. as if she had been a bride. And when the came to Mary's kirk, fhe fat on Mary's ftone, The cloths that fair Annet had on, they glanced in their een. And when the came into the kirk, the fkimer'd like the fun,

5) The belt that was about her waik, was fet with Pearls round. She fet her by the nut-brown bride. and her een they were fo clear, Lord Thomas he clean forgot the bride, when fair Anner drew near. He had a rofe into his hand, he gave me kisse three, And reaching by the nut-brown bride laid it on fair Annet's knee, Up then fpake the nut-brown bride, the fpake with meikle fpite, Where got ye that role water, that washes you fo white. O I did get the rofe water, where ye will ne'er get nane; For I did get that rofe water, into my mother's wame. The bride fhe drew a long bodkin, frae out her gay head gear, And ftruck fair Annet to the heart, that a word fpoke never more, Lord Thomas faw fair Annet wax pale; and marvel'd what might be, But when he faw her dear heart's blood, in great wrath waxed he. He drew a dagger that was fharp,

that was as therp and meek, And drove it into the brown brides head that fell dead at his feet. O stay for me fair Annet, he faid, now ftay my dear, he cry'd. Then ftruck the dagger into his fide, and fell dead by her fide, (kir Lord Thomas was buried without th fair Annet within the quire, And on the one their fprang the birk, the other a bonny brier. And ay the grew and ay the grew, as they'd fain been near, And by this ye may know right well, they were two, lovers dear.

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What's that to you.

MY Jeany and I have toil'd, the live lang fummer day, Till we amaift were fpoll'd, at making of the hay; Her kurchy was of Holland clear, ty'd on her bonny brow, whilper'd fomething in her ear; But what's that to you ? Her stockings were of Kerley green. 'as tight as ony filk : O fic a leg was never seen, her fkin was while as milk : Her hair was black as ane cou'd wifh. and fweet, was her mou', O! Jeany dainthie can kis; But what's that to you ? The rofe a lilly blith combine, to male my Jeany fair, There is nae bennifon like mine, I have amaist nae care, Only I fear my my Jenny's face. may cause mae men to rue, And that may gar me fay, Alas! But what's that to you ? Conceal thy beauties, if thou can, hide that fweet face of thine, That I may only be the man, enjoys these looks divine. O do not prostitute, my dear, Wonders to common view. And I with frightful heart shall swear, For ever to be true.

King Solomon had wives enew

and mony a concubine; But I enjoy a blifs mair true, his joys were fhort of mine; And Jeany's happier than they. She feldom wants her due, All debts of love to her I pay, and what's that to yon ?

A NEW SONG

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B Low on ye winds, defcend fost rain, to foothe my tender woes; Your folemn music lulls my pain, and gives me short repose.

The fun that makes all nature gay, ditturbs my my weary'd eyes, And in dark fhades I wafte the day, where Echo fleeping lies.

Then pity me, O gentle love! and come to my relief, Left innocence and virtue prove, a facrifice to grief.

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