FIVE POPULAR SONGS.

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OF SCOTLAND

THE LAIRD'S COURTSHIP.

The Laird o' Cockpen he's proud an' he's great; His mind is ta'en up wi' matters o' state. He wanted a wife his braw house to keep;

But favour wi' wooin' was fashious to seek.

Down by the dyke-side a lady did dwell, At his table-head he thought she'd look well; M'Clish's ae dochter o' Claversha' Lee, A pennyless lass, wi'a lang pedigree.

His wig was well-pouther'd, as guid as when new,

His waiscoat was white, his coat it was blue, He put on a ring a sword and cock d hat; And wha could refuse the Laird wi'a' that!

RUBHCA

He took the grey mare and rade cannily; An' rapp'd at the yett o' Claversha' Lee; "Gae, tell mistress Jean to come speedily ben," She's wanted to speak wi' the Lairdo' Cockpen.

Mistress Jean was makin' the elder-flower wine-

"An' what brings the Laird at sic a like time," She pat aff her apron, an' on her silk gown, ' Her mutch, wi' red ribbons, an' gaed awa'

down.

An' wi' a laigh court'sy she turned awa'.

Dumfunder'd he was-but nae sigh did he gi'e He mounted his mare, and rade cannily;

An' aften he thocht, as he gaed through the glen, She's daft to refuse the Laird o' Cockpen.

Near to the house among the long trees, There he did meet sweet Jeanie Greenlees; She sits at his table like a white tappet hen-Thus ended the courtships of the Laird of Cockpen. 14.

WHY WEEP YE BY THE TIDE, LADY?

"Why weep ye by the tide, lady? Why weep ye by the tide? I'll wed ye to my youngest son, And ye shall be his bride. And ye shall be his bride, lady, Sae comely to be seen;"— But aye she loot the tears down fa' For Jock o' Hazeldean.

Now let this wilful grief be done, And dry that cheek so pale;
Young Frank is chief of Errington, And Lord of Langley-dale.
His step is first in peaceful ha', His sword in battle keen;"--But aye she loot the tears down fa' For Jock o' Hazeldeen.

"A chain of gold ye sall not lack, For braid to bind your hair, Nor mettl'd hound, nor manag'd hawk, Nor palfrey fresh and fair. And you, the foremost o' them a', Shall ride our foremost queen;"--But aye she loot the tears down fa' For Jock o' Hazeldean. The kirk was deck'd at morning tide— The tapers glimmer'd fair— The priest and bridegroom wait the bride, And dame and keight are there. They sought her both by bower and ha', The lady was not seen; She's owre the border and awa' Wi' Jock o' Hazeldeen.

FAIN WOULD I BE YOUNG JOHNNIE'S BRIDE.

1 like to gang by Candran side; For Johnie meets me there.
Fain would I be young Johnie's bride; This wish is a' my care;
But that I darena tell the lad the would think me owre fain;
For mither frets and daddie threats,

If I but name't to them.

When e'er I cross the door at e'en, There's fifty things to do;
The ewes to bught, the pails to clean, The ale to warm or brew.
A's wark is mine since Johnie came;
Aud sneer'd at ilka turn;
Sare sare I mane, yet a' in vain,
'They're happiest when 1 mourn. 14

Yestreen he pass'd at trystin' tire; Then out to him 1 flew; He tauld me that his heart was mine; And 1'm sure 'tis true. Sae 1 ll be true to ilka vow, Let mither flyte or fliug: In Johnie's ha' ere Beltan blaw, 1'll wear the bridal ring.

KILKENNY.

On ! the boys of Kilkenny are brave roaring blades,

And if ever they meet with the nicelittle maids, They'll kiss them, and coax them, and spend their money free.

And of all towns in Ireland Kilkenny tor me, And of all towns, &c.

In the town of Kilkenny there runs a clear stream,

In the town of Kilkenny there lives a fair dame,

Mercheeks are like roses, her lip's much the same,

Like a dish of fresh strawberries smother'd in cream.

Fal de ral, de ral, de ral, lal, ra, la, la, lo

Her eyes are as black as Kilkenny's large coal, Which through my poor bosom have burnt a big hole; 1000 data in A

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Her mind, like its rivers, is mild, clear and pure,

But her hear is more hard than its marble, l'in sure. Fal de ral. &c. Port Maria A

- Kilkenny's is pretty town, and shines where it stands,
- And the more I think on it the more my heart warms;
- For if I was in Kilkenny I'd think myself at liome,
- For its there I'd get sweathearts, but here I get nonc.

Fal de ral, &c.

I WADNA LEA MY LOWLAND LAD. Haud awa', bide awa'

Haud awa' frae me, Donald ; What care I for a' your wealth.

An' a' that ye can gi'e, Donald? I wadna lea' my Lowland lad

For a' your goud and gear, Donald; Sae tak' your plaid, and o'er the hill, An' stay nae langer here, Donald Haud awa', bide awa', &c.

My Jamie is a gallant youth— I lo'e but him alane, Donald; And in bonnie Scotland's Isle, Like him there is nane, Donald. Haud awa', bide awa',

Haud awa' frae me, Donald; What care I for a' your wealth, And a' that ye can gi'e, Donald?

He wears nae plaid nor tartan hose, Nor garters at his knee, Donald; But, oh ! he wears a faithfu' heart, And love blinks in his e'e, Donald. Sae haud awa', bide awa', Come nae mair at e'en, Donald; I wadna break my Jamie's heart,

To be a Highland queen, Donald.

FINIS.