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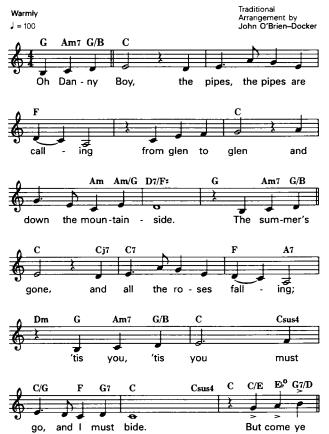
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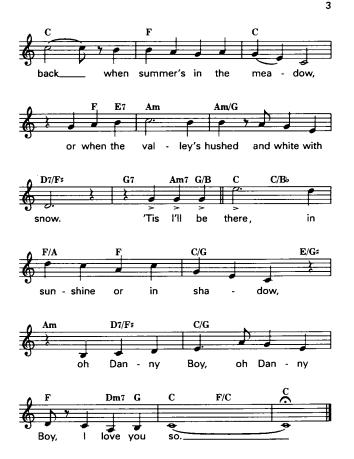
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Danny Boy



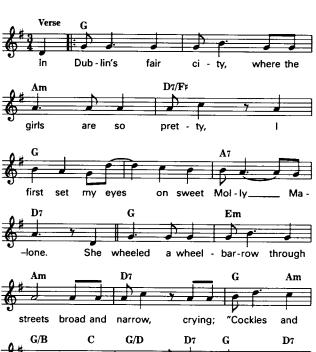


Molly Malone

Street dirge

mussels

Traditional Arrangement by John O'Brien-Docker





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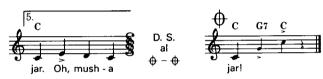
- She was a fishmonger, and that was the wonder; her mother and father were fishmongers, too. They drove a wheelbarrow through streets broad and narrow, crying: "Cockles and Mussels alive, alive-o!" Alive, alive-o.... (Refrain)
- She died of a fever, and nothing could save her, and that was the end of sweet Molly Malone. Now her ghost drives a barrow through streets broad and narrow, crying: "Cockles and Mussels alive, alive-o!" Alive, alive-o (Refrain)

Whiskey In The Jar









- I counted out the money and it made a pretty penny, so I stuck it in my pocket and I took it home to Jenny.
 She swore and she promised that she never would deceive me, but the Devil's in them women, and they never can go easy.
 Mush-a rig, dum-doo-rum die... (Refrain)
- 3. I went into me chamber, for to take a slumber, and I dreamt of golden jewels and, sure, it was no wonder: for Jenny took me charges and she filled them up with water, and then sent for Captain Farrell to be present at the slaughter. Mush-a rig, dum-doo-rum die... (Refrain)
- 4. 'Twas early in the morning when I awoke to travel, but the guards were all around me and likewise Captain Farrell. I first produced me pistol, for me rapier she had stolen, but I couldn't fire the water, so a prisoner I was taken. Mush—a rig, dum—doo-rum die... (Refrain)
- 5. Now, some take delight in the fishin' and the huntin', and there's others get their pleasure in the money that they're countin'; but I take delight in the juice of the barley, and a-courtin' pretty maidens in the mornin' bright and early. Mush-a rig, dum-doo-rum die... (Refrain)

The Wild Rover

Fast Waltz













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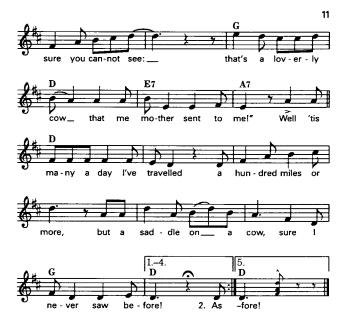




- I went to an ale-house I used to frequent, and I told the landlady me money was spent. I asked her for credit, the answer was "Nay!, such custom as yours I can find any day." And it's... (Refrain)
- 3. I took from me pocket two sovereigns bright, and the landlady's eyes opened wide with delight: "Me lad, I've got whiskey and wines of the best, and them words I just spoke sure, were only in jest." And it's... (Refrain)
- 4. You can keep all your whiskey and wines likewise, too: no more of me money I'm spending with you! For the money I've got now, I'm saving in store, and I never will play the Wild Rover no more. And it's... (Refrain)
- I'm off to me parents, confess what I've done, and ask them to pardon their prodigal son. And if they'll forgive me, as they've done before, then I never will play the Wild Rover no more. And it's... (Refrain)

7 Drunken Nights





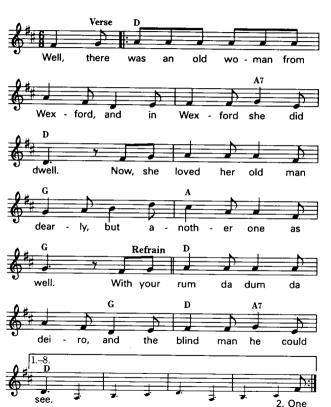
- As I came home on Tuesday night, (usw)...
 I see a coat behind the door (usw)... So I calls me wife (usw)...
 "Who owns that coat behind the door (usw)... Refrain
 But buttons on a blanket, sure, I never saw before.
- 3. As I came home on Wednesday night, (usw)...
 I see a pipe upon the chair (usw)... So I calls me wife (usw)...

 Refrain.......tobacco on a walking stick...
- As I came home on Thursday night (usw)...
 I see two boots beneath the bed (usw)... So I calls me wife (usw)...
 Refrain...But laces and socks in geranium pots, I never saw before.
- As I came home on Friday night (usw)...
 I see a head upon the bed (usw)... So I calls me wife (usw)...
 Refrain...But a baby boy with his whiskers on, I never saw before!

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Old Woman From Wexford

Rolling merrily







- One day she went to the doctor, some medicine for to find. She said: "Will you give me something for to make me old man blind?" (Refrain)
- "Feed him eggs and marrow-bones, and make him suck them all, and it wont be long before he can't see you at all." (Refrain)
- Now, the doctor wrote a letter, and he signed it with his hand, then he sent it round to the old man, just to let him understand. (Refrain)
- She fed him eggs and marrow-bones, and made him suck them all, and it wasn't very long before he couldn't see the wall. (Refrain)
- Says he: "I'd like to drown meself, but that might be a sin."
 Says she: "I'll go along with you and help to push you in."
 (Refrain)
- The woman she stepped back a bit, to rush and push him in, but the old man quickly stepped aside, and she went tumblin' in. (Refrain)
- Oh, how loudly she did yell, and how loudly she did call. "Yerra, hold your whist old woman, sure I can't see you at all!" (Refrain)
- Now, suckin' eggs and marrow-bones may make your old man blind; But if you want to drown him, sure, just creep up close behind! (Refrain)

Reilly's Daughter

Lively Polka J = 104













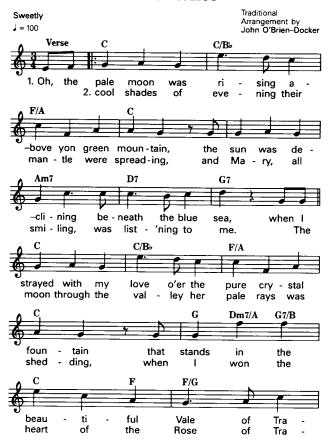
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- Ol' Reilly played on the big bass drum, Reilly had a mind for murder and slaughter. Reilly had a bright red glittering eye, And he kept that eye on his lovely daughter. (Refrain)
- 3. Her hair was black and her eyes were blue,
 The colonel and the major and the captain sought her,
 the sergeant and the private and the drummer-boy too,
 but they never stood a chance with Reilly's daughter.
 (Refrain)
- 4. I got me a ring and a parson too, got me a scratch in a married quarter, settled me down to a peaceful life, happy as a king with Reilly's daughter. (Refrain)
- Suddenly, a footstep on the stairs: here comes Reilly, out for slaughter, with two pistols in his hands, looking for the man who had married his daughter! (Refrain)
- I caught old Reilly by the hair, rammed his head in a pail of water, fired his pistols into the air a darned sight quicker than I married his daughter! (Refrain)

Rose Of Tralee





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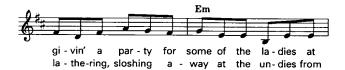




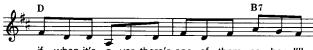


Irish Washerwoman

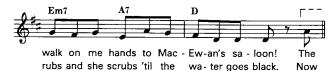






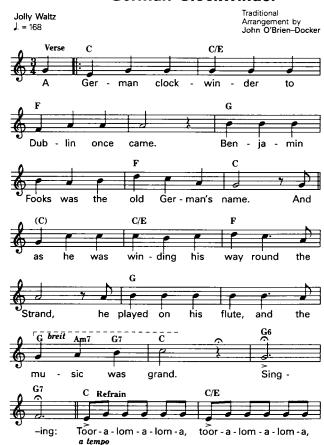


if, when it's \bar{o} -ver, there's one of them so - ber, I'll quick with her fingers, she's gathered the knack, so she





The German Clockwinder



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2. Oh, there was a young lady from Grosvenor Square, who said that her clock was in need of repair. In walks the bold German and to her delight, in less than five minutes he had her clock right. (Refrain)

toor - a - lev

2. Oh, there

- 3. Now, as they were seated down on the floor, there came this very loud knock on the door. In walked her husband and great was his shock, for to see the old German wind up his wife's clock. (Refrain)
- 4. The husband says: "Now, look here Mary Anne, don't let that bold German come in here again. He wound up your clock and left mine on the shelf; if your ol' clock needs winding sure I'll wind it meself!" (Refrain)

Pub song



















- He stepped up to her bedroom window, kneeling gently upon a stone, he rapped at her bedroom window: "Darling dear, do you lie alone?".
- "It's only me, your own true lover, open the door and let me in, for I have come on a long journey, and I'm near drenched to the skin".
- She opened the door with the greatest pleasure, she opened the door and she let him in.
 They both shook hands and embraced each other.
 Until the morning they lay as one.
- The cocks were crawing, the birds were whistling, the streams they ran free about the brae; remember, lass I'm a ploughman's laddie, and the farmer I must obey.
- Now my love, I must go and leave thee, and though the hills are high above, I will climb them with greater pleasure fresh from the arms of my ain true love.















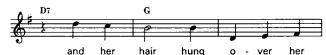


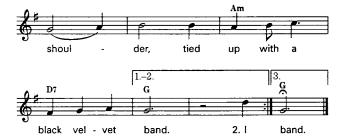












 As I went walking down Broadway, not intending to stay very long, I met with a frolicsome damson, as she came tripping along.
 A gold watch she pulled from her pocket and she slipped it right into my hand, and the very first day that I met her: bad luck with the black velvet band.

Her eyes, they shone like diamonds . . . (Refrain)

 Before judge and jury next morning both of us had to appear; a gentleman claimed his jewellery, and the case was proven clear.
 Seven long years transportation, right down to "Van Dieman's Land", far away from me friends and relations, betrayed by the black velvet band.

Her eyes, they shone like diamonds . . . (Refrain)

Double Jig, non-stop!

J = 112

Music by: John O'Brien-Docker













Shores Of Amerikay

Traditional Arrangement by John O'Brien-Docker



1. I'm bidding fare - well to the land of my

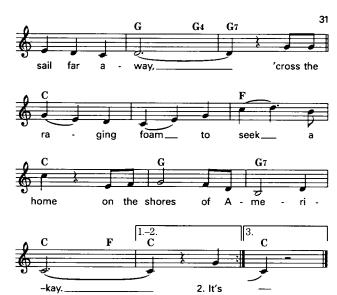












- It's not for the want of employment I'm going, and it's not for the love of fame, or that fortune bright may shine over me, and give me a glorious name.
 It's not for the want of employment I'm going, o'er the weary and stormy sea, but to seek a home for my own true love on the shores of Amerikav.
- And when I am bidding my last farewell the tears, like rain, will blind.
 To think of my friends in my own native land, and the home I'm leaving behind.
 But if I'm to die on a foreign land, and be buried so far away, no fond mother's tears will be shed o'er my grave on the shores of Amerikay.

Leaving Of Liverpool

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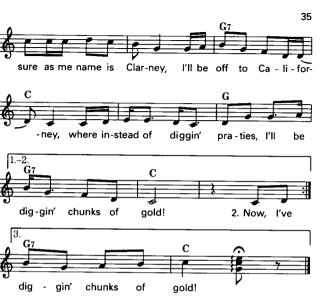
 I have shipped on a Yankee sailing ship, "Davy Crockett" is her name, and her Captain's name is Burgess, and they say that she's a floating hell.

(Refrain)

 Oh, the sun is on the harbour, love, and I wish I could remain, for I know it will be a long, long time before I see thee again.

(Refrain)



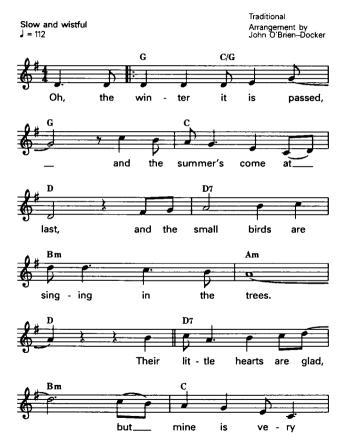


- Now, I've courted girls in Blarney, in Cantark and in Killarney, in Cavan and in Queenstown, that is the Cobh of Cork. It's goodbye to all that leisure, for I'm off to take me pleasure, and the next thing you will hear from me will be a post-card from New York, saying: (Refrain)
- 3. It's goodbye to all the boys back home, I'm sailing far across the foam, I'm off to seek me fortune in far Amerikay. There's gold and jewels a-plenty for the poor and for the gentry, and one day when I return again, I never more will say:
 (Refrain)

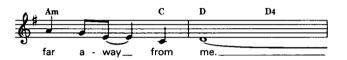
more I'll dig the pra - ties, no longer feel the cold, for as

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The Curragh Of Kildare









- All you that are in love and cannot it remove,
 I pity all the pain that you endure.

 For experience let me know that your heart is full of woe.
 It's a woe that no mortal can endure.
- A livery I will wear, and I'll comb back all my hair, and in velvet so green I will appear.
 And straight I will repair to the Curragh of Kildare, for it's there I'll find tidings of my dear.

Galway Piper



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1. Ev-ery person in the na - tion, whether of high or







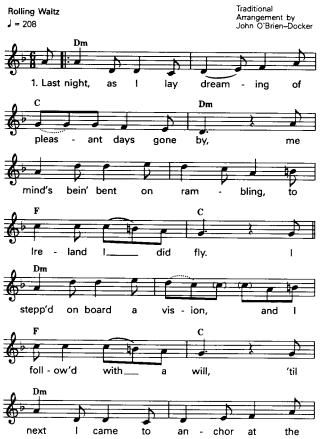






- When the wedding bells are ringing, Tim's the breath that leads the singing, then in jigs the folks go swinging: what a splendid piper! He can blow from dark 'til dawn, counting sleep a thing of scorn, old is he, but not outworn, Piping Tim of Galway. (Instr.)
- 3. When he walks the highway pealing, round his head the birds come wheeling. Tim has carols worth the stealing, Piping Tim of Galway. Thrush and linnet, finch and lark call to each other: "Tim's there, hark!" Soon they'll sing from light 'til dark piping tunes of Galway. (Instr.)
- Every person in the nation, whether of high or humble station, holds in highest estimation Piping Tim of Galway!

Spancil Hill



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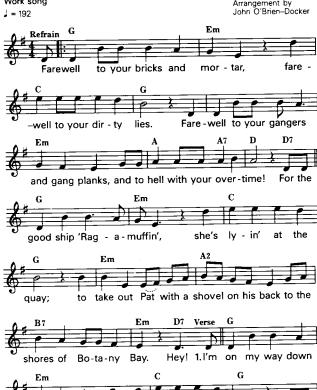
- T'was on the twenty-fourth of June, the day before the fair, when Ireland's sons and daughters and friends assembled there.
 The young, the old, the brave and the bold came, their duty to fulfill at the parish church in Clooney, a mile from Spancil Hill.
- 3. I went to see my neighbours, to see what they might say. The old ones they were dead and gone, the young ones turning grey. I met the tailor Quigley, he's as bald as ever still, for he used to make my britches, when I lived at Spancil Hill.
- 4. I paid a flying visit to my first and only love. She's as fair as any lily, and gentle as a dove. She threw her arms around me, crying: "Johnny I love you, still!" She was a farmer's daughter, the pride of Spancil Hill.
- Well, I dreamt I hugged and kissed her, as in the days of yore.
 She said "Johnny, you're only joking, as many times before".
 The cock crew in the morning, he crew both loud and shrill, and I woke in California, many miles from Spancil Hill.

Botany Bay

Work song

Traditional Arrangement by

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- 2. The boss came up this morning, he says: "Well Pat, you know, if you don't get your navvies out, I'm afraid you'll have to go." So I asked him for me wages, and demanded all me pay, for I told him straight: "I'm going to emigrate to the shores of Botany Bay." (Refrain)
- 3. And when I reach Australia I'll go and look for gold. There's plenty there for the digging of, or so as I've been told. Or else, I'll go back to me trade, and a hundred bricks I'll lay. Because I live for an eight-hour shift on the shores of Botany Bay. (Refrain)

to the quay, where the ship at an-chor lays,

Song of the 17th–18th century wars J = 192

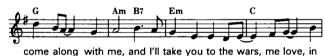
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horse, me love, and on it you shall ride, and all of my de-



Oh, curséd be those cruel wars, that ever did they rise!
 And out of merry England pass many a man likewise.
 They took my true love from me, likewise my brothers three, and they sent them to the wars m'love, in High Germany.
 (Refrain)

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 My friends I do not value, and my foes I do not fear, for now my fine love's left me and wanders far and near. But when my baby it is born, and smiling on my knee, I'll think of handsome Willie, in High Germany. (Refrain)

Star Of The County Down











- Well, she looked so sweet from her two bare feet to the sheen of her nut-brown hair. Such a coaxing elf, sure ! shook myself for to see ! was really there. From Bantry Bay...(usw).
- 3. As she onward sped, sure I scratched my head and I looked with a feeling so rare. So I says, says I to a passer-by: "Who's the maid with the nut-brown hair?" He smiled at me and he said, said he: "That's the gem of Ireland's crown. Young Rosie McCann from the banks of the Bann, she's the Star of the County Down". From Bantry Bay...(usw).
- 4. At the harvest fair, she'll surely be there, so I'll dress in my Sunday clothes. With my shoes shone bright, and my hat cocked right for a smile from my nut-brown rose. No pipe I'll smoke, no horse I'll yoke, 'til my plough is a rust-coloured brown: 'til a smiling bride by my own fireside sits the Star of the County Down. From Bantry Bay...(usw).