

A COUNTRIE LASSIE.

IN summer when the hay was mawn,
 And corn wav'd green on ilka field,
 While claver blooms white o'er the lea,
 And roses blaw in ilka bield ;
 Blythe Beffie in the milking shiel,
 Says, I'll be wed come o't what will :
 Out spak a dame in wrinkled eild,
 O' gude advisement comes nae ill.

Its ye ha'e wooers mony ane,
 And, laffie, ye're but young, ye ken,
 Then wait a wee, and cannie wale
 A routhie butt, a routhie ben.
 There's Johnie o' the Buskie-glen,
 Fu' is his barn, fu' is his byre ;
 Tak this frae me, my bonnie hen,
 Its plenty heets the luyer's fire.

For Johnny o' the Buskie-glen
 I dinna care a single flee ;
 He lo'es fae weel his craps and kye,
 He has nae loove to spare for me.
 But blythe's the blink o' Robie's ee,
 And weel I wat he lo'es me dear ;
 Ae blink o' him I wad na gi'e
 For Buskie-glen and a' his gear.

O, thoughtlefs laffie, life's a faught,
 The canniest gate the strife is fair,
 But ay fu' han't is fechtin best,
 A hungry care's an unco care.
 But some will spend, and some will spare,
 An' wilfu' folk maun ha'e their will ;
 Syne as ye brew, my maiden fair,
 Keep mind that ye maun drink the yill.

O ! gear will buy me rigs o' land,
 And gear will buy me sheep and kye ;
 But the tender heart o' leesome loove,
 The gowd and filler canna buy.
 We may be poor, Robie and I,
 Light is the burden loove lays on ;
 Content and loove brings peace and joy ;
 What mair hae queens upon a throne ?

! Country Bessie!

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Blythe Bessie in the milking shiel, Says I'll be wed, come o't what will; Out

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