

Nigel Gatherer's Scottish Collection

Annie Laurie (Lady John Scott 1810-1900)

song air

D A7 Bm D F#m Em A7

D A7 Bm D A7 D

Bm A7 D G A7 F#m

G D F#m Bm A7 G D

The original song was said to have been written by William Douglas (1682-1748), a soldier who courted Anna "Annie" Laurie, but her father disapproved of his Jacobite leanings, so forbade a wedding. Although there are some doubts about Douglas's authorship, the song was rewritten by Lady John Scott, who gave the lyrics a tune, and it is her version that is known today.



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