

The Railway Porter (unknown)

1. Ooh, I'm a railway porter
 And my name is Willie Lee,
 I'm the maist important fellae
 Ye're ever like tae see.
 I work at all the stations
 Frae Dumbarton tae Dundee,
 It's ma duty, I've tae tell ye a'
 Tae change here...

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Ye change for Auchtermuchter,
 Cuddle ma dochter,
 Crieff and Cullercoats;
 Fife and John O'Groats,
 Beecham's Peels and Quaker Oats,
 Change for Ecclefechan, Aiberdeen
 An' a' the stations inbetween,
 Unless you wint tae gang tae
 Tobermory.

2. Ye should see me hurl ma barrae,
 Ye should see me swipe the flair,
 If there's no a tip forthcomin,
 Ye should hear me curse and swear.
 When the train comes in the station
 Then ma heid comes in the air,
 An' ye'll hear me loud and clear
 "Ye've got tae change here..."

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3. Noo ae Monday morning early,
 I was fu' o' pride,
 The royal train cam' runnin' in,
 And wha d'ye think I spied?
 His Majesty King George hissell',
 The Queen wis by his side,
 So I yelled wi' a' ma micht,
 "Ye've got to change here!"

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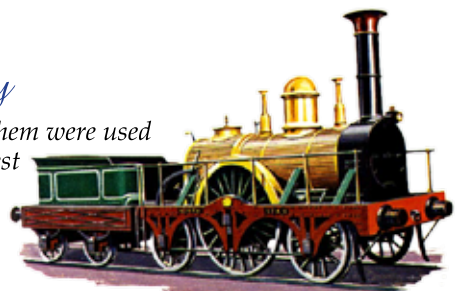
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1837 A Scottish Passenger Railway

Although there were railways in Scotland before, most of them were used to transport coal and other raw materials. One of the earliest passenger lines was Glasgow Townhead to Garnkirk, which opened on the 27th September 1837.

In 1842 the Edinburgh and Glasgow line opened and the popularity of the railways was becoming something of a sensation.



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