

# Set 7: Hector the Hero - lament

## Hector the Hero (J S Skinner)

D x2

Chords: D, G, D, D, G, A

Tab: 6/8 0 4-2-0 0 2 4 2 2 0 4-2-0 0 2 4 2-2

Chords: D, G, D, G, D, A, D

Tab: 0 4-2-0 0 2 4 2 0 3-0 2 0 4-2-0 0-0

Chords: G, Em, D, G, D, A

Tab: 4 0-2-0-3-2-0 2-2 4 0 2 4 2 0 4 2-2

Chords: G, Em, D, Bm, D, A, D

Tab: 4 0-2-0-3-2-0 2 0-2-4 3-0 2 0 4-2-0 0-0

Written by the celebrated fiddler James Scott Skinner (1843-1827) for Major General Sir Hector MacDonald (1853-1903), a soldier who rose through the ranks from a humble private to a distinguished general.

Unfortunately, scandals in his private life led to his suicide in 1903. Notwithstanding, 30,000 people turned up to his funeral, and in 1907 a monument to MacDonald was opened in Dingwall. Skinner's famous tune also spawned a song in praise of "Hector the Hero, deathless in fame."