A COUNTRIE LASSIE.

In finimer when the hay was mawn,

And corn wav'd green on ilka field,

While claver blooms white o'er the lea,

And rofes blaw in ilka bield;

Blythe Beffie in the milking fhield,

Says, I'll be wed come o't what will:

Out fpak a dame in wrinkled eild,

O' gude advisement comes nae ill.

Its ye ha'e wooers mony ane,

And, lassie, 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.

I dinna care a fingle flee;

He lo'es fae weel his craps and kye,

He has nae loove to fpare 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, thoughtless lassie, 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 fheep and kye;

But the tender heart o' leefome 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?

