## MY BOY TAMMY.

WHAR hae ye been a' day, my boy Tammy?

I've been by burn and flow'ry brae, Meadow green and mountain grey, Courting o'this young thing Just come frae her mammy.

And whar gat ye that young thing, my boy Tammy?

I gat her down in yonder how,

Smiling on a broomy know,

Herding ae wee lamb and ewe

For her poor mammy.

What faid ye to the bonny bairn, my boy
Tammy?

I prais'd her een fo lovely blue,
Her dimpled cheek and cherry mou,
I pree'd it aft as ye may true,
She faid, "fhe'd tell her mammy."

I held her to my beating heart, my young,
my fmiling lammy!

I hae a house—it cost me dear,
I've walth o' plenishan and geer,
Ye'se get it a' was't ten times mair,
Gin ye will leave your mammy.

The fmile gaed aff her bonny face,

- " I maun nae leave my mammy,
- " She's gi'en me meat, she's gi'en me claise,
- "She's been my comfort a' my days,
- " My father's death brought mony waes,
  "I canna leave my mammy.
- " We'll tak her hame and mak her fain,
  - " My ain kind-hearted lammy;
- "We'll gie her meat, we'll gie her claise,
- " We'll be her comfort a' her days."

The wee thing gies her hand, and fays,

"There, gang and ask my mammy!"

Has she been to the kirk with thee, my boy
'Tammy?

She has been to the kirk wi' me,

And the tear was in her ee;

But, oh! she's but a young thing

Just come frac her mammy.

