

ircled him round,
nd blude,
o, sae stern and gre
still do gude,
sae buirdly an' ba
there,
e lo'ed fu' weel,
reen gair.

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like a hirplin' ha
ne awa'
elme,
e to a'—
ten been,
gatherin' roon',
whaur the burnies
sae broon.

sh song,
liken thee;
e grasses long,
Bonnie Bessie Lee.

AULD HAMELY MITHER SCOTLAN'.

Auld hamely Mither Scotlan',
Sie mem'ries winna tine;
My heart grows grit wi' thochts o' thee,
An' dreamings o' lang syne.
I hear thy wee hill-burnie's sang,
See thy fair gloamin' fa's,
An' I, auld mither, seem aince mair
A laddie pu'in' haws.

Auld blythesome Mither Scotlan',
The primrose cleeds thy braes,
The throssil 'mang thy wild green wuds
E'en lifts its sweetest lays;
Eild wi' her siller wand, belyve,
Has touched thy pow an' mine;
But, brave auld Covenant Scotlan', yet
My life-blude loups wi' thine.

Dear, dear auld Mither Scotlan',
I lo'e nae hills but thine;
The bonny hills o' hame I speeled
In days o' auld lang syne;
An' lang's the linty bigs its nest,
The laverock sings on hie,—
My heart, auld Mither Scotlan', aye
Sall fill wi' thochts o' thee.