

MARY HAMILTON

D D Bm A D D A7 A7
WORD IS TO THE KITCHEN GONE, AND WORD IS TO THE HALL
G G D Bm D G - A7 D D
AND WORD IS UP TO MADAM THE QUEEN AND THAT'S THE WORST OF ALL
G G D Bm D A7 D D
THAT MARY HAMILTON'S BORNE A BABE TO THE HIGHEST STUART OF ALL
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D D Bm A D A7 A7
"ARISE, ARISE, MARY HAMILTON, ARISE AND TELL TO ME
G G D Bm
WHAT THOU HAS DONE WITH THY WEE BABE
D G - A7 D D
I SAW AND HEARD WEEP BY THEE?"
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D D Bm A D A7 A7
"I PUT HIM IN A TINY BOAT AND CAST HIM OUT TO SEA
G G D Bm
THAT HE MIGHT SINK OR HE MIGHT SWIM
D G- A7 D D
BUT HE'D NEVER COME BACK TO ME."
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D D Bm A D A7 A7
"ARISE, ARISE, MARY HAMILTON, ARISE AND COME WITH ME
G G D Bm
THERE IS A WEDDING IN GLASGOW TOWN
D G - A7 D D
THIS NIGHT WE'LL GO AND SEE."
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D D Bm A D A7 A7
SHE PUT NOT ON HER ROBES OF BLACK, NOR HER ROBES OF BROWN
G G D Bm D G - A7 D D
BUT SHE PUT ON HER ROBES OF WHITE TO RIDE INTO GLASGOW TOWN
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D D Bm A D A7 A7
AND AS SHE RODE INTO GLASGOW TOWN, THE CITY FOR TO SEE
G G D Bm
THE BAILIFFS WIFE AND THE PROVOSTS CRIED,
D G - A7 D D
"ACH, AND ALAS FOR THEE."
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D D Bm
"AH, YOU NEED NOT WEEP FOR ME," SHE CRIED,
A D A7 A7
"YOU NEED NOT WEEP FOR ME
G G D Bm D G - A7 D D
FOR HAD I NOT SLAIN MY OWN WEE BABE, THIS DEATH I WOULD NOT DEE."
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D D Bm A D D A7 A7
"AH, LITTLE DID MY MOTHER THINK WHEN FIRST SHE CRADLED ME
G G D Bm D G - A7 D D
THE LANDS I WAS TO TRAVEL IN AND THE DEATH I WAS TO DEE."
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D D Bm A D D A7
 A7
 "LAST NIGHT I WASHED THE QUEEN'S FEET AND PUT THE GOLD IN HER
 HAIR
 G G D Bm D G- A7 D D
 AND THE ONLY REWARD I FIND FOR THIS, THE GALLOWS TO BE MY SHARE."
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 D D Bm A D D A7
 A7
 "CAST OFF, CAST OFF MY GOWN," SHE CRIED, "BUT LET MY PETTICOAT
 BE,
 G G D Bm D G - A7 D D
 AND TIE A NAPKIN 'ROUND MY FACE, THE GALLOWS I WOULD NOT SEE."
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 D D Bm A D D A7
 A7
 THEN BY AND BY COME THE KING HIMSELF, LOOKED UP WITH A PITIFUL
 EYE
 G G D Bm
 "COME DOWN, COME DOWN, MARY HAMILTON,
 D G - A7 D D
 TONIGHT YOU'LL DINE WITH ME."
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 D D Bm A D D A7
 A7
 "AH, HOLD YOUR TONGUE, MY SOVEREIGN LIEGE, AND LET YOUR FOLLY BE
 G G D Bm
 FOR IF YOU'D A MIND TO SAVE MY LIFE,
 D G - A7 D D
 YOU'D NEVER HAVE SHAMED ME HERE."
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 D D Bm A D D A7 A7
 "LAST NIGHT THERE WERE FOUR MARYS, TONIGHT THERE'LL BE BUT THREE
 G G D Bm
 THERE WAS MARY BEATON, AND MARY SEATON,
 D G - A7 D D
 AND MARY CARMICHAEL, AND ME."

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