



Two Old Irish Melodies
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My Love's an Arbutus

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My Love's an Arbutus

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Allegretto

S My love's an ar - bu - tus By the bor - ders of

A My love's an ar - bu - tus By the bor - ders of

T My love's an ar - bu - tus By the bor - ders of

B My love's an ar - bu - tus By the bor - ders of

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S Lene, So slen - der and shape - ly In her

A Lene, So slen - der and shape - ly In her

T Lene, So slen - der and shape - ly In her

B Lene, So slen - - - - - der In her



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S gir - dle of green; And I meas - ure the _____

A gir - dle of green; And I meas - ure the _____

T gir - dle of green; And I meas - ure the _____

B gir - dle of _____ green; And I meas - ure the

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S pleas - ure Of her eyes' _____ sap - phire _____ sheen By the

A pleas - ure Of her eyes' _____ sap - phire sheen _____ By the

T pleas - ure Of her eyes' _____ sap - phire sheen By the

B pleas - ure Of her eyes' sap - phire sheen By the

rall. *a tempo*

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S blue _____ skies that spar - kle Thro' that soft _____ branch - ing

A blue skies that _____ spar - kle Thro' that soft _____ branch - ing

T blue skies that spar - kle Thro' that soft _____ branch - ing

B blue skies that spar - kle Thro' that soft branch - ing

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S screen. But tho' rud - dy the ber - ry And

A screen. But tho' rud - dy the ber - ry And

T screen. But tho' rud - dy the ber - ry And

B screen. But tho' rud - dy the ber - ry And

19

S snow - y the flow'r That bright - en to -

A snow - y the flow'r That bright - en to -

T snow - y the flow'r That bright - en to -

B snow - y the flow'r That bright - - - -

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S geth - er The ar - bu - tus bow'r, Per -

A geth - er The ar - bu - tus bow'r, Per -

T geth - er The ar - bu - tus bow'r, Per -

B - - en The ar - bu - tus bow'r, Per -

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S
fum - ing and bloom - ing Thro' sun - shine and

A
fum - ing and bloom - ing Thro' sun - shine and

T
fum - ing and bloom - ing Thro' sun - shine and

B
fum - ing and bloom - ing Thro' sun - shine and

rall.

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S
show'r, Give me her bright lips And her

A
show'r, Give me her bright lips And her

T
show'r, Give me her bright lips And her

B
show'r, Give me her bright lips And her

a tempo

31

S
laugh's pear - ly dow'r.

A
laugh's pear - ly dow'r.

T
laugh's pear - ly dow'r. A - las! fruit and

B
laugh's pear - ly dow'r.

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S
And —

A
And —

T
8
blos - som Shall lie dead — on the lea, And

B
Shall lie dead, —

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S
Time's jeal - ous — fin - gers Dim your young charms, ma - *rall.*

A
Time's jeal - ous fin - gers Dim your young charms, ma - *rall.*

T
Time's jeal - ous fin - gers Dim your young charms, ma - *rall.*

B
And Time Dim your young charms, ma - *rall.*

40

S
chree. *f a tempo* But un - rang - ing, un - chang - ing, You'll —

A
chree. *f a tempo* But un - rang - ing, un - chang - ing, You'll

T
chree. *f a tempo* But un - rang - ing, un - chang - ing, You'll —

B
chree. *f a tempo* But un - rang - ing, un - chang - ing, You'll

43

S still — cling — to me, Like the ev - er - green

A still cling to me, Like the ev - er - green

T still — cling — to me, Like the ev - er - green

B still cling to me, Like the ev - er - green

rall.

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S leaf — To the — ar - bu - tus tree.

A leaf — To the ar - bu - tus tree.

T leaf — To the ar - bu - tus tree.

B leaf To the ar - bu - tus tree.

Boosey & Co.
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My love's an arbutus
By the borders of Lene,
So slender and shapely
In her girdle of green;
And I measure the pleasure
Of her eyes' sapphire sheen
By the blue skies that sparkle
Through that soft branching screen.

But though ruddy the berry
And snowy the flower
That brighten together
The arbutus bower,
Perfuming and blooming
Through sunshine and shower,
Give *me* her bright lips
And her laugh's pearly dower.

Alas! fruit and blossom
Shall lie dead on the lea,
And Time's jealous fingers
Dim your young charms, machree.
But unchanging, unchanging,
You'll still cling to me,
Like the evergreen leaf
To the arbutus tree.

Alfred Perceval Graves (1846-1931)

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