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GLOOMY WINTER'S NOO AWA

Gloomy winter's noo awa
Saft the westlin breezes blaw,
Amang the birks o Stanely Shaw,
The mavis sings fu cheerie, O.

birks birches
mavis thrush

Sweet the crawfloer's early bell,
Decks Gleniffer's dewy dell,
Bloomin like yer bonnie sel,
My ain, my darlin dearie, O.

crawfloer wood hyacinth

Come my lassie, let us stray,
Ower Glenkilloch's sunny brae
Blythely spend the gowden day
'Midst joys that never weary O.

brae hill
gowden golden

Towerin ower the Newton wuds,
Laverocks fan the snaw-white cluds,
Siller sauchs wi downie buds,
Adorn the banks sae brierie O.

wuds woods
laverocks larks, **cluds** clouds
siller silver, **sauchs** willows
brierie covered wi briers

Roon the sylvan fairy neuks,
Featherie breckans fringe the rocks,
Neath the brae the burnie jouks,
And ilka thing is cheerie O.

breckans brackens
jouks bends

Trees may bud and birds may sing,
Floors may bloom and verdure spring,
But joy tae me they canna bring,
Unless wi ye my dearie O.