## THE IRISH MINSTREL

Six Irish Folksongs for Men's Chorus and Piano

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## **ARRANGER'S NOTE**

These Irish folk songs are drawn from *The Minstelsy of Ireland, 206 Irish Songs*, arranged for voice and piano by Alfred Moffat and published in 1897.

The arrangements were written during a residency at Dorland Mountain Arts Colony in Temecula, California in July 1998.

The Irish Mintrel is dedicated to the Hi-Lo's from the Penn State Glee Club.

## GLOSSARY

1. *Bann*, river in Northern Ireland, flowing from Lough Neagh north to the Atlantic Ocean *eke*, also

Shannon, river rising in central Ireland and flowing southwest to the Atlantic Ocean *Barrow*, river of southeastern Ireland, flowing through Carlow south to the Irish Sea. *Suir*, river of southern Ireland, flowing south and east through Waterford to the Irish Sea. *Nore*, tributary of the River Barrow in southeastern Ireland. *Brideen ban mo store*, my darling fair-haired bride

2. *horo*, (an exclamation)

*Mhairi*, Mary *dhu*, black-haired *seamew*, seagull

**3.** *nae mair*, no more *burnside*, brookside *mavis*, song thrush *sae*, so *aft*, often *hae*, have

mair, more

**5.** *low-backed car*, an open cart or wagon *poll*, the head or the top of the head