SCOTTISH AYRES

For Men's Chorus, Solo Voices and Piano

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ARRANGER'S NOTE

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The arrangements are dedicated to the Arbroath Male Voice Choir and their conductor, Helen Addison.

"Charlie" in the third song refers to "Bonnie Prince Charlie", Charles Edward Stuart (1720-1788), also known as The Young Pretender since he was the oldest son of King James II. Charlie attempted to regain the throne of England and Scotland in the Jacobite rising of 1745. He was warmly welcomed by the Scottish highland clansmen, but the Jacobites were defeated at the Battle of Culloden and Charlie fled to France.

GLOSSARY

 cauld, cold muir, moor wha, who canna' weel gie, cannot well tell you tae gang, to go a wee bittie, small bit speir wha, inquired who

2. *lang*, long *hae*, have

3. *brecken*, fields *harry*, rob, plunder *bothy*, rough hut, farm dwelling *dinna ken*, do not know *claymores*, large two-edged swords

THE ROAD TO DUNDEE

Cauld winter was howling o'er muir and o'er mountains, And wild was the surge on the dark rolling sea, As I met about daybreak a bonnie young lassie, Wha asked me the road and the miles tae Dundee.

Says I "My young lassie, I canna' weel tell ye, The road and the distance I canna' weel gie, But if you'll permit me tae gang a wee bittie, I'll show you the road and the miles to Dundee."

At once she consented, and gave me her arm, Ne'er a word I did speir wha the lassie might be; She appeared like an angel in feature and form, As she walked by my side on the road to Dundee.

LASSIE LIE NEAR ME

Lyrics by Robert Burns (1759-1796)

Lang hae we parted been, Lassie, my dearie; Now we are met again, Lassie lie near me. A' that I hae endured, Lassie, my dearie, Here in thy arms is cured, Lassie lie near me.

Say that you'll aye be true, Never deceive me; And I'll love nane but you, Lassie lie near me. If in love's bow'r we meet, Lassie my dearie, My joys would be complete, Lassie lie near me.

Lang hae we parted been, Lassie, my dearie; Now we are met again, Lassie lie near me. Near me, near me, Lassie lie near me. Lang hast thou lain thy lane, Lassie lie near me.

COME O'ER THE STREAM, CHARLIE

Come o'er the stream, Charlie, dear Charlie, brave Charlie, Come o'er the stream, Charlie, and dine wi' MacLean; And though you be weary we'll make your heart cheery, And welcome our Charlie, and his loyal train. We'll bring down the track dear, well bring down the black steer, The lamb from the brecken and doe from the glen; The salt sea well harry, and bring to our Charlie, The cream from the bothy and curd from the pen.

And you shall drink freely the dews of Glen Sheerly That stream in the starlight when kings dinna ken; And deep be your meed of the wine that is red, To drink to your sire and his friend the MacLean. If aught will invite you, or more will delight you, 'Tis ready a troop of our bold Hieland men Shall range on the heather with bonnet and feather, Strong arms and broad claymores, three hundred and ten.

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