

Maighread Ni Dhomhnaill, An Cailin Gaelach

B'ite liom fin 'bheith ar thaobh mhala shlibhe
Agus cailn gaelach a bheith 'mo chomhair
Bheinn a bragadh is a' teannadh lithe
Agus dar liom fin, a rn, gur dheas ar nd&#oacute;igh

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Ag ir domh fin ar maidin an lae ghil
Is m gabhail f'n choill chraobhaigh is m seoladh b&#oacute;;
Tharlaigh domh an spirbhean 'na su ar an lana
Bh a fallaing lithi, is In de ghn&#oacute;;

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D'fhiafraigh m dthe go ciin is go ceill
&#oacute;;An nglacfaidh t pg uaim, a st&#oacute;;r mo chro?&#oacute;;
D'oscail s a biln 'gus labhair s Bearla
'S dirt s, &#oacute;;Pray sir, and let me be&#oacute;;

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Is nach maith an air ar na buaibh bheith sant
Agus bheinnse da seoladh amuigh sa l
Im agus bainne is iad, ar theacht an tSamhraidh
Is mar gheall ar bh&#oacute;;lacht a ph&#oacute;;star mn
&#oacute;;/lyrics&#oacute;;

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==English translation==

&#oacute;;/lyrics&#oacute;;

I would love to be on the mountainside
And to be wed to an Irish girl
I would cajole and hug her
And I think it would always be nice of course

Upon rising at the dawn of a bright day
And going to the thick woods to drive the cows
I met a beautiful girl sitting on the green grass
And her mantle full of nuts

I asked her softly and respectfully
&#oacute;;Will you take a kiss from me, my own true love?&#oacute;;
She opened her little mouth and she spoke English
She said, &#oacute;;Pray sir, and let me be&#oacute;;

Don't the cows deserve to be appreciated
And I could be driving them on through the day
From them comes butter and milk through the summer
And it's because of the cows that maidens marry