

# The Wee Cooper o' Fife.

Old Scots Ballad

Hugh S. Robertson (1874-1952) f\_

**Lilting, humorous.  $\text{♩} = 88$**

Soprano: *Nick-et - y nack-et - y, noo, noo, noo,* *mf*

Alto: *Nick-et - y nack-et - y, nick-et - y, noo,* *mf*

Tenor: *Nick-et - y nack-et - y, nick-et - y, noo,* *mf sarcastically*

Bass: *1. And he had got-ten a  
2. For spil - in' o'—her  
3. For sham-in' o'—her*

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Piano (for practice only): *f*

S.: *Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack-y, hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue.* *p*

A.: *Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack-y, hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue, roue.* *p*

T.: *gen - tle wife.  
come - ly hue,  
gen - tle kin,* *hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue, roue.* *f*

B.: *Nick-et - y nack-et - y, noo, noo.* *f*

Pno.: *p*

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**rall.** **A tempo** *pleadingly*

S. *p* Nick-et-y nack-et-y, nick-et-y, noo.

A. *p* Nick-et-y nack-et-y, noo, noo, noo.

T. *mp stealthily* 8 4. The coo-per has gone to his woo'-pack, And he's laid a sheep-skin a

B. *mp* 4. The coo-per has gone to his woo'-pack, And he's laid a sheep-skin on

Pno. *rall.* **A tempo** *p* *f*

18 **rall.** **A tempo** *terror-stricken*

S. **f** Hey Wil - ly Wal-hack - y, hoo John Dou - gal, a - lane quo rush - it - y, roue, roue.

A. **f** Nick - et - y nack - et - y, nick et - y nack - et - y, nick - et - y nack - et - y, noo, noo.

T. 8 his wife's back,

B. his wife's back,

Pno. **rall.** **A tempo** **f**

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S.

A.

T. *mf with a sneer*

B. *mf*

Pno.

Mm

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*f*

*espress.*

5. I'll no' be sham-in' your gen - tle kin, Nick-et - y nack-et - y, noo, noo, noo, But I will skelp my

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S. *fff marcato*

A. *fff marcato*

T. *fff marcato*

B. *fff marcato*

Pno.

Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack-y, hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush - it - y, roue, roue.

Nick - et - y nack - et - y, nick - et - y nack - et - y, nick - et - y nack - et - y, noo, noo.

ain - sheep - skin, Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack-y, hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush - it - y, roue, roue.

ain - sheep - skin, Nick - et - y nack - et - y, nick - et - y nack - et - y, nick - et - y nack - et - y, noo, noo.

*fff marcato*

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S. **p** *meekly*

A. **p**

T. **p** *a quiet air of triumph*

B. **p**

Pno. **p**

rall. **p** *A tempo*

6. O I will bake and I will brew,  
7. O I will wash and I will spin,  
And think nae mair o' my  
And think nae mair o' my  
**p** *espress.*

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**p** *rall. A tempo*

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S. come - ly hue,  
gen - tle kin,  
roue, roue

A. come - ly hue  
gen - tle kin,  
a - lane, quo rush-it - y,

T. **f**  
8 hoo John Dou-gal

B. **ff**  
Hey Wil - ly Wal - lack - y

Pno. **ff**

**f**

**mf**

**p** *rall. A tempo*

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S. *pp*  
Nick - et - y nack-et - y, noo, noo, noo,

A. *pp*  
Nick - et - y nack-et - y, noo, noo, noo,

T. 8. Noo ye wha ha'e got-ten a gen-tle wife, Mm Just mind ye o' the wee

B. *f*  
8. Noo ye wha ha'e got-ten a gen - tle wife, Mm Just mind ye o' the wee

Pno. *f*

51 *ff Presto* *rall.*

S. Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack y, hoo John Dou-gal a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue

A. *ff* Hey Wil-ly Wal-lack y, hoo John Dou-gal, a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue, roue

T. 8 coo-per o' Fife. hoo John Dou-gal, a - lane quo rush-it - y, roue, roue, roue

B. coo-per o' Fife. *ff* Nick-et - y, nack-et - y, noo, noo.

Pno. *Presto* *rall.*