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# "The Banks Of Sweet Dundee"

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There was a fair young lady so lately I've been told  
She lived with her uncle, the cause of all her woes;  
Her uncle had a ploughboy, which Mollie liked quite  
well  
And in her uncle's garden their tender love did tell.

So early one morning this old man he arose  
And at Mollie's room door he hastened on his clothes,  
Saying, " Arise you handsome female, and married  
you shall be  
For the squire is a-waiting on the banks of sweet  
Dundee.

"A fig to all your squires, to lord and Jews likewise,  
For William 'pears like diamonds a-glittering in my  
eyes."

"You never shall have Willie, nor happy shall you be  
For I mean to banish Willie from the banks of sweet  
Dundee."

The first crowd came on Willie when he was all alone,  
He fought full hard for his liberty, but there were eight  
to one;  
"Pray kill me now," says Willie, "Pray kill me now," says  
he  
"For I'd rather die for Mollie on the banks of sweet  
Dundee."

As Mollie was walking, lamenting for her love  
She meets the wealthy squire, all in her uncle's grove.  
"Stand off, stand off!" says Mollie, "Stand off, you  
man," says she,  
"For I'd rather die for Willie on the banks of sweet  
Dundee."

He threw his arms around her and crushed her to the  
ground,  
There she spied two pistols and a sword beneath his  
morning-gown;  
The pistols she slipped slyly, and the sword she used  
free  
She shot and killed the squire on the banks of sweet

Dundee.

Her uncle overheard them, come hastening to the  
grove  
Saying, "You've killed the wealthy squire, prepare for  
your death-blow,"  
"Stand off, stand off!" says Mollie, "Stand off, you  
man, says she,"  
So the trigger drew and her uncle slew on the banks of  
sweet Dundee.

The doctor being sent for, he knew that they were killed  
Also there came a lawyer to write the old man's will.  
He willed his gold to Mollie, because she fought so free  
Then closed his eyes to write no more on the banks of  
sweet Dundee

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