

## **Andy M. Stewart**

# **"The Haughs Of Cromdale"**

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As I came in by Auchindoun  
A little wee bit frae the town  
When to the Highlands I was bound  
To view the Haughs of Cromdale

I met a man in tartan trews  
I spiered at him, what was the news  
Quo' he, "The Highland army rues  
That ever we came to Cromdale"

"We were in bed, sir, every man  
When the English host upon us came  
A bloody battle then began  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale"

"The English horse, they were so rude  
They bathed their hoofs in Highland blood  
But our brave clans, they boldly stood  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale"

"But, alas, we could no longer stay  
For over the hills we came away  
And sore we do lament the day  
That ever we came to Cromdale"

Thus the great Montrose did say  
"Can you direct the nearest way?  
For I will over the hills this day  
And view the Haughs of Cromdale"

"Alas, niy, Lord, you're not so strong  
You scarcely have two thousand men  
And there's twenty-thousand on the plane  
Stand rank and file on Cromdale"

Thus the great Montrose did say  
"I say, direct the nearest way  
For I will over the hills this day  
And see the Haughs of Cromdale"

They were at dinner, every man  
When the great Montrose upon them came

A second battle then began  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

The Grant, Mackenzie and M'Ky  
Soon as Montrose they did espy  
Oh, then they fought most valiantly  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

The M'Donalds, they returned again  
The Camerons did their standard join  
M'Intosh played a bloody game  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

The M'Gregors fought like lions bold  
M'Phersons, none could them control  
M'Lauchlins fought like loyal souls  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

M'Leans, M'Dougals and M'Neils  
So boldly as they took the field  
And made their enemies to yield  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

The Gordons boldly did advance  
The Frasers fought with sword and lance  
The Grahams they made the heads to dance  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

The loyal Stewarts with Montrose  
So boldly set upon their foes  
And brought them down with Highland blows  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

Of twenty thousand Cromwell's men  
Five hundred fled to Aberdeen  
The rest of them lie on the plain  
Upon the Haughs of Cromdale

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