

Donald MacGillavrey (*Trad*)

A Jacobite song to commemorate the Battle of Culloden on 16th April 1745. The song might refer to either the 1715 or 1745 Jacobite Rising; or perhaps the name Donald MacGillavry might just be used to denote Highlanders loyal to the Stewart Cause

Donald's cam' up the hill, hard and hung-e-ry.
Donald's gane doon the hill, wild and ang-e-ry.
Donald will clear the gouk's* nest cleverly.
Here's to the King and to Donald MacGillavry.

**cuckoo's*

Come like a weigh-bauk*, Donald MacGillavry.
Come like a weigh-bauk, Donald MacGillavry.
Balance them fair and balance them cleverly,
Off wi' the counterfeit, Donald MacGillavry.

**person who checks scale accuracy*

Donald's gane o'er the hill but his tether*, man,
As he were wud* or stang'd wi' an ether**, man.
When he comes back, there's some will look merrily.
Here's to King James and to Donald MacGillavry.

**without his armor*

**insane **bitten by an adder*

Come like a weaver, Donald MacGillavry.
Come like a weaver, Donald MacGillavry.
Pack on your back and elwand* sae cleverly,
Gi'e them full measure my Donald MacGillavry.

**shuttle*

Donald has foughten wi' rife and roguery.
Donald has dinnered wi' banes* and beggary.
Better it were for Whigs and Whiggery
Meeting the Devil than Donald MacGillavry.

**criminals*

Come like a tailor, Donald MacGillavry.
Come like a tailor, Donald MacGillavry.
Push about, in and oot, thimble them cleverly.
Up wi' King James and wi' Donald MacGillavry.

(Instrumental -- "O'Neill's March")

Donald's the callan* that brooks nae tangleness**,
Whiggin' and priggin' and a newfangledness*.
He maun be gane*, he winnae be baukit**, man.
He maun hae justice, or faith he'll tak it, man.

**old man **will stand for no trouble*

**Whigs, pricks or modernization*

**he must go **he won't be balked*

Come like a cobbler, Donald MacGillavry.
Come like a cobbler, Donald MacGillavry.
Beat them and bore* them and lingle** them cleverly.
Up wi' King James and wi' Donald MacGillavry.

**drill holes in **???*

Donald were mumpit* wi' mirds** and mockery.
Donald were blinded* wi' blads** o' property.
Arles* ran high, but makin's** were naething, man.
Lord, how Donald is flighting* and fretting**, man.

**fed up **taunts*
**deceived **parcels*
**advances in pay **wages*
**charging **causing his opponents*
worry

Come like the Devil, Donald MacGillavry.
Come like the Devil, Donald MacGillavry.
Skelp* them and skaud** them that proved sae unbritherly***.
Up wi' King James and wi' Donald MacGillavry.

scalp **scald *unbrotherly.*

(Instrumental -- "O'Neill's March")