

Moniemusk Reel

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"The origin or meaning of the name of this popular tune defied investigation and inquiry for many years. Eventually a glance thru the pages of McGoun's 'Repository of Scots and Irish Airs, Strathspeys, Reels, etc.', Glasgow 1803, led to the solution of the puzzle. Among the contents was 'Sir Archibald Grant of Moniemusk's Reel'. The popular name Moniemusk was that of an estate, and the full name of the reel being inconveniently long, it was abbreviated to 'Moniemusk' and the rest of the name forgotten. The first and second parts as above noted constitute the original tune composed by Daniel or Donald Dow, a musician of note who died at Edinburgh in 1783. The third was substituted for the more difficult second by modern fiddlers, and the fourth, the editor memorized from the playing of Wm. McLean, the greatest Highland piper of his day in Chicago, some fifty years ago."

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T:Moniemusk Reel

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S:F.O'Neill

Z:Kinder/Black

N:1:There's a tune called "Money Musk" in both "Music of Ireland" (#1361) and "Dance Music of Ireland" (#614) (same tune in both volumes). This tune isn't related to that one.

N:2:You can replace |(3BAG (3gfe| in the last measure of part 2 with |BGge|

M:4/4

L:1/8

Q:180

R:reel

K:G

e|dGBG dGce|dGBG ABce|dGBG Bcdg|ecAd BGG2:|

"5"gd dg Bgdg| gdcg BgAf|gdeg dgBg|ecAc BG G2:|

"9"gdBd edBd|gdBd eA A2|1gdBd edBc|dcAc BG G2:|

[2 gefd ec dc|BcAc BG G2||g2 gf g2 (3def|

"13"g2 fg ef d2|g2 af g2 dc|BcAc BG G2|g2 gf g2 (3def|

"17"g2 fg ef d2|gefd ec dc|BcAc (3BAG (3gfe|