MUSH MUSH

K:G, 3/4

D/D/|GGG|GA>G|FD2-|D2D/D/|ccc|cd>A|B3-|B2B/c/|

ddd|dcB|AE2-|E2c/c/|BcB|AEF|G3-|G2D/D/| rpt 1-8|

cho GGG|GAG|FD2-|D2D|ccc|cdA|B3-|B2B/c/|

ddd|dcB|AE2|c3|BcB|AEF|G3||

IT WAS THERE I LEARNED READING AND WRITING
AT DICK CROWLEY'S WHERE I WENT TO SCHOOL
AND 'TWAS THERE I LEARNED HOWLING AND FIGHTING
WITH MY SCHOOLMASTER MISTER O'TOOLE
HIM AND ME, WE HAD MANY A SCRIMMAGE
AND DIVIL A COPY I WROTE
THERE WAS NE'ER A GOSSOON IN THE VILLAGE
DARED TREAD ON THE TAIL OF MY COAT!

MUSH MUSH A TOORA-LI-ADDY
MUSH MUSH A TOORA-LI-AY
THERE WAS NE'ER A GOSSOON IN THE VILLAGE
DARED TREAD ON THE TAIL OF MY COAT!

'TWAS THERE THAT I LEARNED ALL MY COURTIN'
MANY LESSONS I TOOK IN THE ART
TILL CUPID, THE BLACKGUARD, WHILE SPORTIN'
AN ARROW DROVE STRAIGHT THRU MY HEART!
MOLLY QUINN LIVED ACROSS THE FIELD FROM ME
AND TENDER LINES TO HER I WROTE
IF YOU DARE TO SAY ONE WORD AGIN HER
I'LL TREAD ON THE TAIL OF YOUR COAT!

BUT A SAILOR NAMED MICKEY MOLONEY
CAME AND STOLE HER AFFECTIONS AWAY
FOR HE'D MONEY AND I HADN'T ANY
SO I SENT HIM A CHALLENGE NEXT DAY
IN THE EVENING WE MET AT THE WOODSHED
AND THE SHANNON WE CROSSED IN A BOAT
AND I LATHERED HIM WITH MY SHILLELAH
FOR HE'D TROD ON THE TAIL OF MY COAT!

NOW MY FAME WENT ABROAD THRU THE NATION AND FOLKS CAME A-FLOCKING TO SEE AND THEY CRIED OUT WITH NO HESITATION "YOU'RE A FIGHTING MAN, BILLY MAGEE!" I HAVE CLEANED OUT THE FINNEGAN FACTION AND I'VE LICKED ALL THE MURPHYS AFLOAT IF YOU'RE IN FOR A ROW OR A RUCTION JUST TREAD ON THE TAIL OF MY COAT!