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You loyall Lads be merry,
For Perkin that state Buffoone,
Despis'd by Whigg and by Tory.
For being so falce a Loone
To sham ye Court and ye Toon
And muckle dis swear and vow,
But like France he has changed his Tone
And the Deel's gang'd wth him I troo.

2

His party had taught him the lesson, And low he did [?]e for Grace, Hee whin'd out of a dolefull Confession How great a Traitor he was, And Begg'd his pardon might pass For he was a penitent noo, But he bid the Court Kiss his Ass



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And ence mere he's got above hatches And meanes to sett up for King The politicks of this Scotch Dutches This Matter about did bring; Adds woons she longs to bee Queen At Perkin and she know how And yet in a hempen string They may gang to the Deel I troo.

4

And this last Merk of his Treason
So muckle Exceeding the first,
To all Ladds of sense and of Reason
Has gain'd him many a Curse;
He might be then at the worst
Drawn in for a Cully of shew,
But noo 'tis past and Distrest
Thatt ye Dee'ls gang'd wth him I troo;

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Now Heaven bless Charles the Second And grant him of Bruhis's Mind, And then his nene son will be rekon'd Among the Traitorous Kind, And equall Justice will find, By God and St Andrew I vow, Where he, [?]ade my Daddy's nene Kin Hee should gang to the Dee'l I trow.