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Tune of, Nanny O.

Art thou so loyal to thy Love, then i'le the like of kindness show: There's no one that I prize above my young and lively *Willy O*. 'Tis Willy, Willy, Willy O, All the world shall never know the love I bear to Willy O.

If I might have Lord, Duke, or Earl, and in rich Silks and Sattens go, Likewise adorn'd with Orient Pearl, I'd leave it all for Willy O. 'Tis Willy, Willy, Willy O,



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All the world shall never know the love I bear to Willy O.

If to my Father you should ride and he should chance to answer no, Yet I will yield to be the Bride of thee my Loyal Willy O. 'Tis Willy, Willy, Willy O, All the world shall never know the love I bear to Willy O.

My Dearest, I have House and Land, a curious Lamb and breeding Yow; With these i'le give both heart and hand to thee my loving Willy O. 'Tis Willy, Willy, Willy O, All the world shall never know the love I bear to Willy O.

To thee I never will be coy, behold, mine Eyes like Fountains flow; 'Tis with the extasie of Joy, in meeting with my Willy O. 'Tis Willy, &c.

In Cards and Dice some takes delight until it proves their overthrow; But thou in Nannys beauty bright who is in love with *Willy O*. *'Tis Willy, &c.*

If thou comest to me soon or late, my love and loyalty, i'le show; [?] boy or man shall allwaies wait [?] on thee my true-Love *Willy O*. '*Tis Willy, &c*.

My dear, that day that we are wed we will invite all, high and low, Then i'le afford my Maiden-head to thee my true-Love *Willy O*. 'Tis Willy, &c.

Against that day a fine Lac'd Band upon my Love I will bestow;



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There's no young man in Cumberland that can compare with *Willy O.* 'Tis Willy, &c.

My Love, we'l make no long delay, but to the Kirk with speed we'l go; Upon the next high Holiday, where we'l be married, Willy O. 'Tis Willy, Willy, Willy O, the love I bear to Willy O, And the world shall never know the Love I bear to Willy O.

