## Thou Bonnie Wood o' Craigielea



Thou bonnie wood o' Craigielea, Thou bonnie wood o' Craigielea; Neer thee I pass'd life's early day, And won my Mary's heart in thee. The broom, the briar, the birken bush, Bloom bonnie oe'r thy flowry lea, And a' the sweets that ane can wish Frae natures hand are strew'd on thee. Thou bonnie wood, &c.

Far ben thy dark green plantin's shade, The cushat croodles am'rously; The mavis, down thy bughted glade, Gars echo ring frae ev'ry tree. Thou bonnie wood, &c.

Awa, ye thoughtless, murd'ring gang, Wha tear the nestlings ere they flee! They'll sing you yet a canty sang, Then, O, in pity, let them be! Thou bonnie wood, &c.

When winter blaws in sleety show'rs, Frae aff the Norlan' hills sae high, He lightly skiffs thy bonnie bow'rs, As laith to harm a flow'r in thee. Thou bonnie wood, &c.

Though fate should drag me south the line, Or o'er the wide Atlantic sea, The happy hours I'll ever min', That I in youth hae spent in thee. Thou bonnie wood, &c.