

The Devil's Dream

Part A

Part B

In Gaelic "*Aisling An Diabail*", it is also known as "The Devil Among the Tailors". Despite its occasional appearance in the South, it is mainly a Northern tune in America. Sometimes thought to be of Irish origins, it is actually a version of a Scottish reel, "The De'il Among the Tailors", and it appears in the Scottish Kerr collection *Merry Meodies* (vol. 4) as "Devil's Dream". The earliest American appearance of the tune as "Devil's Dream" is in the music manuscript copybook of musician M.E. Eames, frontispiece dated Aug. 22nd, 1859. It has been recorded by The Chieftains, Jean Carignan, Steeleye Span and many others I learned it originally from print.