

Ned of the Hill

Part A

Part B

Detailed description of the musical notation: The piece is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. Part A consists of two staves. The first staff begins with a G chord and contains six measures of music. The second staff contains three measures. Part B consists of three staves. The first staff contains six measures, the second contains five measures, and the third contains three measures. The melody is primarily composed of eighth and sixteenth notes, with several triplet markings. Chords are indicated by letters above the staff.

"Ned of the Hill", in Gaelic "*Eadmun an cnuic*" it is also known as "As A Beam O'er The Waters", "Col O'Gara" and "The Young Man's Dream".

It is an Irish ballad of the period 1698-1704 written in memory of Éamonn Ó Riain, of Knockmeill Castle, Co. Tipperary, who was an outlaw under King William. It is said that Ó Riain became an outlaw after shooting a tax collector dead during a quarrel over the confiscation of a poor woman's cow. Various other stories are told in which Ó Riain plays the role of the rebel hero who battles authority in the mode of Robin Hood.

There are several sets of lyrics in both Gaelic and English but I only play the melody instrumentally.

It has been recorded by The Tannahill Weavers, Finbar And Eddie Furey and Boys Of The Lough.

I learned this from one of John Loesburg's An Irish Tunebook collections.