

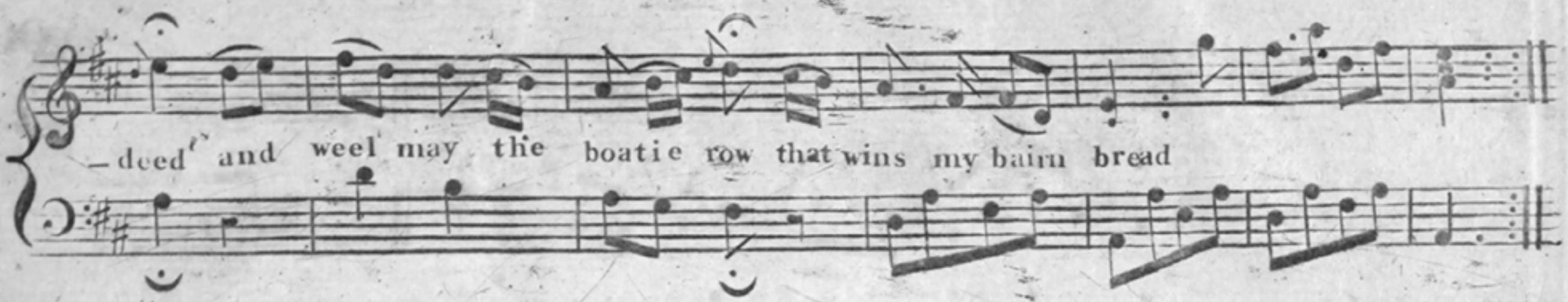
THE BOATIE ROWS

an ancient Scotch Ballad

Slow

The musical score consists of five staves of music in common time, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes in a cursive script. The lyrics are:

O weel may the boatie row and
better may the spied and lie fome may the
boatie row that wins the bairns bread the
boatie rows the boatie rows the boatie rows in —



2

O weel may the boatie row,
That fills a heavy creel,
And cleads us a' frae head to feet,
And buys our pottage meal;
The boatie rows, the boatie rows,
The boatie rows indeed,
And happy be the lot of a',
That wish the boat to speed.

3

When Jamie vow'd he woud be mine,
And wan frae me my heart,
O muckle lighter grew my creel,
He swore wed never part;
The boatie rows, the boatie rows,
The boatie rows fu' weel,
And muckle lighter is the load,
When love bears up the creel.

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When Sawney, Jock, and Janetie,
Are up and gotten lear;
They'll help to gar the boatie row,
And lighten a' our care.
The boatie rows, the boatie rows,
The boatie rows fu' weel,
And lightfome be her heart that bears,
The murlain, and the creel.

5

And when wi' age we are borne down,
And hirpling round the door,
They'll row to keep us dry and warm,
As we did them before;
Then weel may the boatie row,
She wins the bairn's bread;
And happy be the lot of a',
That wish the boat to speed.

bairns—children. creel—a hamper. muckle—much. lear—learning.
gar—make. murlain—a basket. hirpling—creeping.

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The Boatie with an Obligato Accompaniment —— Arranged by B.C.

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A handwritten musical score for 'The Boatie' featuring five staves of music. The first staff is soprano, the second alto, the third tenor, the fourth bass, and the fifth bass (obligato). The key signature is F# major (one sharp), and the time signature is common time (indicated by '2'). The music consists of eight measures. The lyrics are as follows:

O weel may the
Boatie row and better may she spied and lie some may the
Boatie row that wins the bairns bread the Boatie rows the
Boatie rows the Boatie rows indeed and weel may the
Boatie row that wins my bairns bread.