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Corn Rigs ~ Robert Burns 1782

O tIt was upon a Lammas night,
When corn rigs are bonie,
Beneath the moon's unclouded light,
I held awa to Annie:
The time flew by, wi' tentless heed,
Till 'tween the late and early;
Wi' sma' persuasion she agreed,
To see me thro' the barley.

Corn rigs, an' barley rigs,
An' corn rigs are bonie:
I'll ne'er forget that happy night,
Amang the rigs wi' Annie.

Annie of the second stanza is a reference to Anne Rankine, the youngest daughter of John Rankine of Adamhill. She married John Merry, the inn-keeper at New Cumnock, where Burns stayed in August 1786.

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