

## Patrick O'Donnell Pat Mulhern

You true-hearted sons of old Gráinne  
I pray pay attention to my song  
It's only a few simple verses  
I don't mean to keep you too long  
Concerning that hero O'Donnell  
In the Melrose Castle set sail  
In company with informer James Carey  
A traitor to old Gráinne Mhaol

The kept in close company together  
Until they had just reached the Cape  
Then the thought struck the gallant O'Donnell  
That he Irish vengeance would take  
His pistol he quickly got ready  
Without any further delay  
To the heart of the notorious villain  
The contents he quickly did lay

The news then went round to the captain  
Of a murder committed on board  
The captain along with some others  
Of O'Donnell they quickly took hold  
They bound him confound him in irons  
Far away from his own native land  
And next they conveyed him to England  
The murder of Carey to stand

On the morning of the investigation  
O'Donnell was placed in the dock  
The question was asked is he guilty  
They quickly did answer I'm not  
There were a few witnesses examined  
But the case they did quickly reply  
The defence of young Patrick O'Donnell  
The news it is not very bright

God prosper our Irish-Americans  
That now dwell far over the sea  
They rise in defence for O'Donnell  
To set him at his liberty  
They're sending a lawyer to England  
That the hair of his head may not fall  
For he is a true son of old Gráinne  
And a native of Old Donegal

Brought up in a beautiful county  
Near to a place called Dunloe  
Where he has got friends and relations  
It's a pity of them you may know  
I think of his parents and brother  
As a criminal in court he will stand  
To be charged with the murder of Carey  
A traitor to old Ireland

And now to conclude and finish  
My pen I do mean to lay down  
God bless you dear Patrick O'Donnell  
As you face the stern judge of the Crown  
Your brave deed will not be forgotten  
By those who cherish sweet liberty  
God grant you a fair trial and freedom  
And a pardon in your own country