

Eileen Aroon
 Gerald Griffin (1803-1840),
 from the Gaelic of Carrol O'Daly (1300's)
 As played by Bob Dylan in
 St Louis, MO, June 17th 1988

E Esus4 E Esus4

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 There is a valley fair
 A F#m7' E

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E Esus4 E
 There is a cottage there
 A F#m' E

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E/g# A' E/g# B'
 Far in the valley shade I know a tender maid
 E/g# A C#m A F#m7' E
 Flow'r of the hazel glade, Eileen Aroon.

Were she no longer true
 Eileen Aroon
 What would her lover do
 Eileen Aroon
 Fly with a broken chain
 far cross the sounding main
 Never to love again, Eileen Aroon.

Who in the time so fleet
 Eileen Aroon
 Who in the song so sweet
 Eileen Aroon
 Dearer her charms to me
 dearer her laughter free
 Dearer her constancy
 Eileen Aroon.

Youth will in time decay
 Eileen Aroon
 Beauty must fade away
 Eileen Aroon
 Castles are sacked in war
 chieftains are scattered far
 Truth is a fixed star
 Eileen Aroon.

Additional first verses, not sung by Dylan

1. When, like the early rose,
 Eileen aroon!
 Beauty in childhood blows;
 Eileen aroon!
 When, like a diadem,
 Buds blush around the stem,
 Which is the fairest gem?
 Eileen aroon!

2. Is it the laughing eye?
 Eileen aroon!
 Is it the timid sigh?
 Eileen aroon!
 Is it the tender tone,
 Soft as the string'd harp's moan?
 Oh, it is the truth alone.
 Eileen aroon!

3. When, like the rising [/dawning] day,
Eileen aroon!
Love sends his early ray,
Eileen aroon!
What makes his dawning glow
Changeless through joy or woe?
Only the constant know -
Eileen aroon!