

Donnelly And Cooper - song lyrics

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DONNELLY AND COOPER.

Come all ye true-bred Irishmen, I hope you will draw near.
And likewise pay attention to those few lines you hear;
It's of as true a story as ever you did hear.
It's about Donnelly and Cooper, that fought all on Kildare.

'Twas on the 3d of June, brave boys, this challenge sent o'er.
From Britannia to old Grauna to renew her sons once more;
To renew her satisfaction, and her credit to recall,
For they're all in deep distraction since Donnelly conquered all.

Old Grauna read the challenge and received and she smiled,
Saying: "You'd better hasten to Kildare, my well beloved child;
There you will reign victorious, which you often did before,
And your deeds will shine so gloriously around old Erin's shore."

The challenge was accepted; these heroes did prepare
To meet brave Captain Kelly on the Curragh of Kildare;
When these two bully champions were stripped off in the ring,
They both were still determined on each other's blood to spill.

From 6 to 9, parried their time, till Donnelly knocked him down.
Old Grauna smiled: "Well done, my child; that is ten thousand pound!"
The second round that Cooper fought, he knocked down Donnelly,
Likewise true game was Donnelly, he rose most furiously.

Right active then was Cooper-he knocked Donnelly down again;
Those Englishmen then gave three cheers, saying: "The battle's all in vain."
Long life to brave Miss Kelly: she's recorded on the plain;
She boldly stepped into the ring, saying: "Dan, my boy, what do you manor
My Irish boy," said she, "My whole estate I've bet on you, brave Donnelly."

Donnelly rose again, and meeting with great might,
And to stagnate those nobles all, continued to his fight.
Cooper stood in his own defense; exertion proved in vain,
he soon received a temple blow that knocked him on the plain.

Now you sons of proud Britannia, your boasting now recall,
Since Cooper, now, by Donnelly, he met a sad downfall,
Out of eleven rounds gave nine knock-downs and broke his jaw-bone:
"Shake hands," said she, "brave Donnelly, the battle's all our own."