Afton Water



Flow gently sweet Alton, among thy green braes Flow gently, I'll sing thee a song in thy praise. My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream Flow gently sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.

Thou stock-dove, whose echo resounds through the glen, Ye wild whistling blackbirds in yon thorny den, Thou green-crested lap-wing, thy screaming forbear, I charge thee disturb not my slumbering fair.

The crystal stream, Afton, how lovely it glides And winds by the cot where my Mary resides! How wanton thy waters her snowy feet lave As gathering sweet flowerets she stems thy clear wave:

Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green braes, Flow gently, sweet river, the theme of my lays. My Mary's asleep by thy murmuring stream; Flow gently, sweet Afton, disturb not her dream.