

Harry Cotter's Single Reel No 2

The image shows a musical score for a single reel in 2/4 time, written in G major. The first staff contains the first line of music, and the second staff contains the second line. Chord annotations are placed above the notes: G, C, D7, G, C, D7, G, C, D7, G, D7, G on the first staff; and G, C, G, D7, G, C, G, C, D7, G on the second staff. The music consists of eighth and sixteenth notes, with repeat signs at the beginning and end of each line.

Rhythm: Polka

Source: Harry Cotter, Binalong, NSW

collected by Chris Sullivan and Jacko Kevans

Notes: Other older versions:

- *Caledonian Pocket Companion* v.1, No 16261, (1743) as "The Auld Stewart's Back Again"
- *Robert Bremner "A Collection of Scots Reels or Country Dances"*, No 881, (p.88), (1757) as "Old Stuarts back again"
- *Airds*, v.2, No 244, (c.1780), as "Stumpie"
- *Niel & Nathaniel Gow, "Gow's Complete Repository" V.2* (c.1800) as "the Auld Stewart's Back again"
- *VMP, Rev R Harrison MS, No 137, (1815)* as "Stumpie"
- *John Buttery MS, No 232, (early C19th)*, as "A Quick Step"
- *VMP, Edward Holmes MS, No 339, (1846)* as "Stumpie"
- *The Athole Collection v.1 No 25* as "Auld Stewart's back Again, The"
- *Francis O'Neill, "Dance Music of Ireland" v.2, No 577, (1907)* as "The Old Pensioner"

Tune transcribed by Tony Stuart, 2017

History: This tune forms the basis of a well known drinking song.