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There was an auld man stood on a stane,
Awa i' the craft his leefu' lane,
And cried on his bonny sleek kye to him hame.
"Kitty my Mailly, and Kitty her mither,
Kitty my Do, and Kitty Billswither,
Rangletie, Spangletie, Crook, and Cowd rye,"
And thae were the names o' the auld man's kye.

MacTaggart, Sc. Gall. Enc. (1824), 306, from "Legendary Wallet" (?); Chambers PRS (1847), 315; (1870), 387, Montgomerie SNR (1946), 67 (no. 72), MacLennan SNR (1909), 10. C. edits slightly: line 3 to come hame 5 my doo 6 Cowdry [besides spelling and punctuation]. I have shifted quotation marks from 8 to 7.
[Cf. "The auld guidwife stood on a stane".]

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