

Niel Gow's Lament for the Death of his 2nd Wife

slow air

19th century Scottish
Niel Gow

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It consists of six staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The tempo is marked 'slow air'. The music features a variety of note values, including eighth and sixteenth notes, often beamed together. There are several measures with fermatas, indicating a slow, expressive performance. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Above is a transcription from Natalie MacMaster on her CD In My Hands as found on Cranford Publications website
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