

Damon

D D D A⁷ D
 Pan en - vy saw seytek bloth, Y teth Dam - on mar lel;
 My seventeen yeasr scarce o - ver, Dam - on a woo - ing came; A
 5 D Bm F#m F#m
 Car - er whek ha jen - tyl kynth o - va gwas_ huv - el; Tas
 gent - le car - ing lov - er though_ but a humb - le swain; My
 9 G D D G D
 ny gar - a 'gan ker - en - sa ha den a vrys ef o, Dyv
 fath - er, a man of note, the math would not a - gree, And
 13 D G A⁷ D
 roys yu_ Dam - on ker dhe dyr - yoe pell yth - o.
 ban - ished my Dam - o_ to lands be - yond th sea.

Pan en-vy saw seytek bloth, y teth Damon mar lel,
 Carer whek ha jentyl, kynth ova gwas huvel;
 Tas ny gara'gan kerensa ha den a vrys ef o,
 Dyvroys yu Damon ker dhe dryrow pell ytho.'

My seventeen years scarce over, Damon a wooing came'
 A gentle caring lover, though but a humble swain;
 My father, a man of note, the match would not agree,
 And banished my Damon to lands beyond the sea.'

Kens mos ow Damon, y fu genen dedhewys,
 May omgaffen y'n porth'ma arta nepprys;
 Ha del dhyberthsyn'ny dagrow a scullyas war'n treth,
 Nefra ny vetsen-ny arta mernans erna dheth.'

Before my Damon journeyed we promised us a tryst,
 To meet again in yonder cove where oft before we'd kissed;
 As we parted company my tears they stained the sand,
 Never we'd meet again till death played its hand.'

Mar lent tyr bledhen a bassyas negys kens bos lewys,
 War'n gaslan yn tyr estren a'y wroweth hy maw
 / ledhys;
 Nyns o dyslwys fas a'n vowes' erna fyas a'n chy,
 Nefra gwelys yn few arta, dres 'n als y kerdhas'hy

Three years passed but slowly ere news of Damon came,
 In foreign parts in a battlefield her lover he laid slain;
 Not a tear did mar the young maids face till from the house she'd
 / flown,
 Never seen alive again she walked the cliffs alone.

Whythrys 'vu an arvor, ny vu'hy kefys, sur,
 Rak dhe gewera dydhewy, re vudhys hy yn whyr;
 Pup bledhen a'n jeth-ma lemm5rn, gwelys yu
 / menough,
 Deu garer spyrysek ow nyja dres'n morlewgh.

The coastlands searched all over no trace of her was found,
 To keep the tryst with young Damon, the maid had surely drowned;
 Now tis oft reported seen each year to that same day,
 Two ghostly lovers arm in arm floating o'er the spray.

Trelyes ha dyghyys gans Merv Davey 1980

Merv Davey, "Hengan", (Redruth, Dyllansow Truran, 1983) song notes: "Noted by Miss Lucy Broadwood from a Mrs Fletcher of Lifton, who had learned it from her mother a Mrs Williams of Egloskerry in 1830. (Broadwood Manuscript Collection, Vaughan Williams Memorial Library, Cecil Sharp House, Regents Park Road London. p 157/159). The words and tune are very fragmentary and I have re-written the song weaving these fragments into the legend of the two ghostly