

# The Massacre Of Glencoe

The Corries version  
Colonel Robertson

*Cruel is the snow that sweeps Glencoe  
And covers the grave O' Donald  
And cruel was the foe that raped Glencoe  
And murdered the house o' MacDonald*

They came in the blizzard we offered them heat  
A roof for their heads, dry shoes for their feet  
We wined them and dined them, they ate all our meat  
And they slept in the house of MacDonald

*(chorus)*

They came from Fort William with murder in mind  
The Campbell had orders King William had signed  
It all to them saw these words underlined  
And leave none alive called MacDonald

*(chorus)*

They came in the night when the men were asleep  
This band o' Argylles through snow soft and deep  
Like murdering foxes among helpless sheep  
They slaughtered the house o' MacDonald

*(chorus)*

Some died in their beds at the hand of the foe  
Some fled in the night, were lost in the snow  
Some lived to accuse them for struck the first blow  
But gone was the house of MacDonald

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