

The Wisest Fool
Old Blind Dogs

[Intro]

G F G F G F G F x2

[Verse]

G F G F G F G F
Murray bowed to Charlie, yokin Atholl tae the plou
G F G F G F G F
O the settin sons of Stewart, kings and princes since the Bruce
G F G F G F G F
Rode to Perth to muster all who hailed the Rover King
G F G F G F G F
And wi weary work and bluster, hewed an army frae his kin

[Chorus]

C
If only the wisest fool
F G
Had bade where he first should rule
F C
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F G
Had bade where he first should rule
F C
Henry s for England, Charles for Spain
F F/E G
Seamus is Alba s name

[Instrumental]

G F G F G F G F

[Verse]

G F G F G F G F
Johnny held a tinchel, as the crystal turned to steel
G F G F G F G F
And the heroes o the Heilans, filled Braemar wi a their zeal
G F G F G F G F
Johnny hummed and hawed, let the loyal Lowlands spile
G F G F G F G F
Back to France the Rover sailed afore the army of Argyll

[Chorus]

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F G
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F C
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F **G**
Had bade where he first should rule
F **C**
Henry s for England, Charles for Spain
F **F/E** **G**
Seamus is Alba s name

[Instrumental]

G F G F G F G F

[Verse]

G **F** **G** **F** **G** **F** **G** **F**
Clavers slipped the council as they offered Will the crown
G **F** **G** **F** **G** **F**
Climbed the law to find an army, turned and pulled the Orange down
G **F** **G** **F** **G** **F**
Though the Heilan targes were enough to cow McKay
G **F** **G** **F** **G** **F**
To the death of Bonnie Dundee, loyal men had no reply

[Chorus]

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[Outro]

G F G F G F G F x2