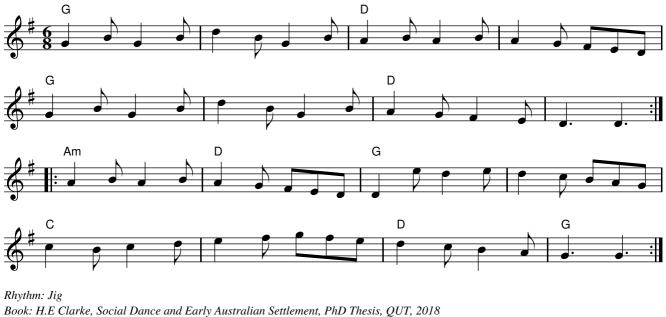
Nancy Dawson

Trad (English) (Australia, NSW, Sydney)



AIRDS v1, No 112 John Buttery Files No 390 Alexander Laing manuscript (1863), Tasmanian State Archives, p41 Source: The 'Convict Dance and Music Research Project' by Dr. Heather Blasdale-Clarke at QUT Notes: Published 1773.

Other versions of this tune can be found:

Transcription: arranged by Roland Clarke, 2019

History: Nancy Dawson was a popular actress and dancer for many years around 1760, and was well known for dancing a hornpipe and being free with her favours. Even many years later, during the settlement of Australia, she was still a well known figure. This particular tune was well known and referenced in the colony, including being the opening tune in a play in 1826 and was the tune for a song published in the newspaper in 1843. References:
Advertising (1826, September 20). The Australian (Sydney, NSW : 1824 - 1848), p2 NEW SONG. (1843, March 18). 'The Satirist and Sporting Chronicle' (Sydney, NSW : 1843), p3.