

# #410 Justice Ballance

John Buttrey Manuscript  
Chord suggestions by Ian Bell

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The beginning of this tune - especially the first couple of bars, bears a strong resemblance to the air "O'Carolan's Draught", by Irish harper Turlough O'Carolan - 1670-1738.

Justice Balance (with one "l") was a character in a restoration comedy called "The Recruiting Sergeant" written by Irish playwright George Farquhar in 1706.

I wonder which came first?

The tune also appears under this title in "A Compleat Collection of 200 Country Dances" - 1780