

Serenaders' Quadrilles No. 3 - Ol Rosin de Beau

C.W. Bennett Manuscript
Chords suggested by Ian Bell

D G D D A D D G D

D A D G C G Em D G

C G D G G C G Em D

G C G D G

A popular 19th century song and tune. The second two parts (bars 9 - 24) are recognizably "Rosin The Beau" although the "verse" part of the melody is quite different than it is often played/sung. The unusual first part closely resembles an English 6/8 jig called "The Way To Norwich". The first part is in the key of D, the rest of it is in G. The manuscript writer may have meant the *C in bar 17 to be natural. I wonder if the first part was grafted on to make the piece fit a particular dance figure.

I' travelled this country all over
And now to another I'll go
I know that good quarters are waiting
To welcome old Rosin the Beau

Chorus:
To welcome old Rosin the Beau
To welcome old Rosin the Beau
I know that good quarters are waiting
To welcome old Rosin the Beau

A serio-comic song about death.