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waiting for the lady. He was kind of lazy about going--it was at haymaking time--but he wouldn't go against her. He went, riding the red horse, and Bruce, the black dog, running ahead of him. And he was coming home with the dish of molasses in one hand and the reins in the other hand. He was going so careful for fear that he'd spill any of the molasses. And when he was going by One-Eyed Hugh's--E6ghainn's--house out comes E6ghainn's dog after them. And in the twinkling of an eye, the dogs were at it among the horse's feet. The horse jumped up on the brow of the road, and Donald fell into the ditch and spilt the dish of molasses. That's where the sight was: Donald in the ditch. There was a stream of molasses running from the end of his beard on one side, and a coat of mud on the other side. He started rubbing his face with moss to clean it, but the moss was sticking, and he had to give that up. What would be the best for him to do? For shame he wouldn't turn back to the store, and to go home with an empty canister, it wasn't the best. He was in a kind of an unsettled mind. And Katherine didn't know him when he arrived, when he came near the house. The beard that was grey when he left the house was red with the treacle and the moss when he came back.

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leantail ris agus b'fheudar stad. D6 b'fhearr dha dheanamh? Cha leig- eadh a n'ife leis tilleadh do'n stdr, is a dhol dachaidh le cuman falamh cha b'e b'fhearr. Bha e an imcheist nach bu bheag ach 's e dhol dachaidh a rinn e. Cha d'aithnich Catriona e 'n uair bha e a' dlilthachadh air an tigh. Bha'n fhiasag a bha glas an Am. falbh, ruadh le tr'cil is cdinneach 'n uair thill e. Ged bha Catriona duilich mar thachair cha d'abair i dad. Bha fios aice nach bu l'igheas air tubaist, trod; agus gun robh Am aig an achmhasan mar th'aig a' ch'illidh. Bha tuilleadh obrach aice a nis, a' nighe na chuir Ddmhnall dheth de dh'aodach, is gu TfUli'Atd.

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