The Porter is Passed

40-bar strathspey for four couples in a square set *

- 1-8 All four couples circle eight hands round and back.
- 9-14 All couples face partner and set, petronella turn to their right and set again.
- 15-16 All couples, giving right hands, turn partners halfway, ready for ...
- 17-18 Men dance left hands across to the opposite sides of the square,
 WHILE the women continue dancing and make a loop as in a men's chain figure.
- 19-20 Giving right hands, men turn the woman they meet in the opposite place half way.
- Women dance left hands across to the opposite sides of the square,

 WHILE the men continue dancing and make a loop as in a ladies' chain figure.
- 23-24 All couples, giving right hands, turn partners to finish facing each other, men with left shoulders to centre of square.
- 25-28 All four couples dance a grand chain around the square to original places.
- 29-30 All couples, giving both hands, turn partners once round.
- 31-32 All couples, giving left hands, turn their corners into promenade hold finish facing counter-clockwise round the square.
- With new partners, all couples promenade once round the square to the man's original position. (1M2W/2M3W/3M4W/4M1W)

 Repeat with new partners.
- *NOTE: Form up set as a square; then on the chord, take hands as in a circle to bow and curtsey across the set.
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Music: "New Scotland Strathspey" by Andrew Rankine.

