

The thief.

Lost property can usually be replaced; lost opportunities, loss of face and loss of direction are more difficult.

It wisnae property she stole,
Nor theft o cash that took its toll.
No, what the lassie stole fae me
Wis aw that I had wished tae be.

And, oh, she wis a cunning thief;
Ma confidence an self-belief,
And aw I could an should hae been
Wis charmed away afore ma een.

Nae bandit bold wi mask an gun
Could dae tae me what she has done.
Nae practised mastermind o theft
Could e'er hae left me sae bereft.

Though cruel the ruthless robber band,
An peetiless the pirate's hand,
Mair dangerous by far I find
The thief that steals yer peace o mind.