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There are numerous alternative titles for this tune – among the most common are 'The Miller of Glanmire' and 'Ballinasloe Fair'.

The word 'banshee' is the anglicised form of the Irish words 'bean st', which means 'fairy woman'. In Irish folklore a banshee was considered to be a harbinger of death, and would often herald the imminent death of a family member through the sound of her other-worldly shrieking or wailing.