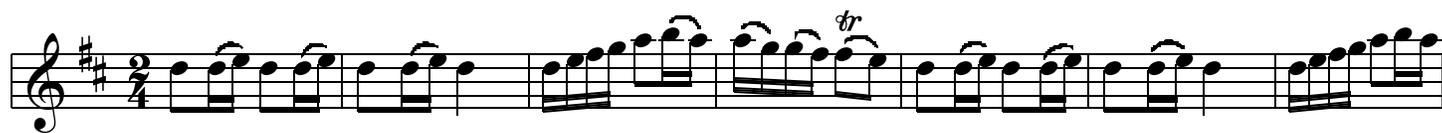


Fife

Ah, Ca Ira

(Rank: Fife Sergeant)



This tune was played by the French during the Battle of Femars in 1793 and was there heard by the British Colonel commanding the 14th Foot. He was quoted as having said, "Let's beat them with their own damn tune," and accordingly his bandsmen took up the melody. The action was a success for the British and the tune is still the regimental march-past of the 14th Foot to this day. The French title to the tune is used - "Ah Ca Ira" from the French Revolution.