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1 The Leprechaun Marc Gunn
Ré 1. There's a Leprechaun in me head, and I wish that I Ré were dead
For I don't think he'll e'er let me be. Ré Oh, he tempts me with his gold, and if I were e'er
Ré so bold,
La Ré I'd strangle him and leave him in the street.
Sol Ré Well, he says to me, "Ah, you're no Irish Laddie! Sol La And ye call that thing a harp?"
Ré But each time I share the lore that I am learning.
He hides in shame while my friends they chant.
La ta tee, da diddley dee, la ta tee ta tee da
La ta tee, da diddley diddley dai
Ré La ta tee, da diddley dee, la ta tee ta tee da
La ta tee, da diddley diddley dai
2. There's a leprechaun in my room. He swats me with

2. There's a leprechaun in my room. He swats me with a broom.

That's the reason I forget the words of this song.

Well, he shows me a four-leaf clover, and before me song is over,

It's buried in a bowl of Lucky Charms.

3. Ther'es a leprechaun on the floor, and he says that I'm a bore.

He yawns aloud as I sing my song.

He feigns one last breathe stolen, but I see his eyes are open.

And he's watching me with envy deep inside.

4. There's a leprechaun on a hill, and his gold is buried there.

So I grab him by the neck 'fore he gets away.

The pot's too heavy, he giggles, so I pinch me just a little,

And he thinks he's fooled me as I run away.

2 My Irish Molly O Jean Schwartz
Mim Sol Ré 1. Molly dear now did you hear the news that'sgoing Mim round
Sol Down in a corner of my heart a love is what you've
Ré found
Mim Sol Ré Mim Every time I look into your Irish eyes so blue
Sol Ré They seem to whisper "Darling boy, my love is all
Mim for you"
Ré Sol Lam Oh, Molly, my Irish Molly, my sweet achusla dear
Si7 Mim Lam I'm fairly off my trolley, my Irish Molly when you are
Ré near
Sol Ré Springtime you know is ringtime, come dear now
Si don't be slow
Mim Change your name, go out with game,
begorrah wouldn't I do the same my Irish Molly O

- 2. Molly dear now did you hear I furnished up the flat Three little cosy rooms with bath and "welcome" on the mat
 - It's five pounds down and two a week, we'll soon be out of debt
 - It's all complete except they haven't brought the cradle yet
- 3. Molly dear and did you hear what all the neighbours say
 - About the hundred sovereigns you have safely stowed away
 - They say that's why I love you, Ah but Molly that's a shame
 - If you had only ninety-nine, I'd love you just the same

$15_{\text{Sea Shanty}}$ Marins

3

Rém Do Quinze marins sur le bahut du mort Rém Hop la ho! une bouteille de rhum A boire et l'diable avait réglé leur sort Rém Do Rém Hop la ho ! une bouteille de rhum

- Long John Silver a pris le commandement
 Des marins, et vogue la galère
 Il tient ses hommes comme il tient le vent
 Tout l'monde a peur de Long John Silver.
- C'est Bill, le second du corsaire,
 Le capitaine Flint en colère
 Qu'est revenu du royaume des morts
 Pour hanter la cache au trésor.
- Essaye un peu de l'contrecarrer,
 Et tu iras où tant d'autres sont allés
 - Quelqu's uns aux vergues et quelqu's uns par d'sus bord

Tout l'monde pour nourrir les poissons d'abord.

Nous finirons par danser la gigue
 La corde au cou, au quai des pendus
 Toi, John Forest, et toi, John Merigue
 Si près du gibet qu'j'en ai l'cou tordu.

Drunken Sailor _{Sea Shanty}

4

 Rém

 What shall we do with a drunken sailor Do What shall we do with a drunken sailor Rém What shall we do with a drunken sailor Do Rém Early in the mornin'

Rém Wey Hey and Up she rises Do Wey Hey and Up she rises Rém Wey Hey and Up she rises Do Rém Early in the mornin'

2. Put him in the longboat till he's sober

3. Shave his belly with a rusty rasor

- 4. Give him a dose of salt and water
- 5. Put him in the bed with the captain's daughter
- 6. That's what we'll do with a drunken sailor

Dirty Old Town

- Sol 1. I met my love, by the gas yard wall Do Sol Dreamed a dream, by the old canal Mim Sol Kissed my girl, by the factory wall Ré Mim Dirty old town, dirty old town
- I heard a siren from the dock
 Saw a train cut the night on fire
 Smelled the breeze on the smokey wind
 Dirty old town, dirty old town
- I'm going to make a big sharp ax
 Shining steel tempered in the fire
 I'll cut ye down like an old dead tree
 Dirty old town, dirty old town
- 4. Clouds are drifting on the street Cats are prowling on their beats Springs a girl on the streets at night Dirty old town, dirty old town
- 5. I Met my love, by the gas yard wall Dreamed a dream, by the old canal Kissed my girl, by the factory wall Dirty old town, dirty old town

6 John Kanak Sea Shanty

Sol Do Sol 1. Sur un baleinier, John s'est réveillé John Kanak Kanak a tou la yé Sol Do Sol Quelqu'un criait paré à larguer John Kanak Kanak a tou la yé

Do Sol Tou la yé oh tou la yé John Kanak Kanak a tou la yé

- 2. Dans une taverne il s'est fait enrôler Par un bosco qui l'avait saoulé
- 3. A bord ton temps tu l'passes à étarquerC'est pas l'cap'taine qui monte dans les huniers
- Par le Cap Horn trois fois il est passé Et rien qu'une fois son sac il a posé
- Mais des baleines y z'en ont pas trouvées Y'a qu'le sale temps qui les a harponnés
- Mais aux Marquises l'enfer s'est terminé Dans les bras d'la pirogue la mieux gréée
- John est heureux auprès d'sa vahiné
 C'est pas demain qu'il va réembarquer

5

Kilkelly, Ireland Steven and Peter Jones

7

- Mim Sol Ré 1. Kilkelly, Ireland, 18 and 60, my dear and loving Mim son John Sol
 - Your good friend the schoolmaster Pat McNamara's Ré Mim so good as to write these words down. Sol Ré Your brothers have all gone to find work in England, Do Ré Si7 the house is so empty and sad Mim Sol The crop of potatoes is sorely infected, Ré a third to a half of them bad. Sol Ré And your sister Brigid and Patrick O'Donnell Do Ré Si7 are going to be married in June. Mim Sol Your mother says not to work on the railroad Ré And be sure to come on home soon.
- 2. Kilkelly, Ireland, 18 and 70, dear and loving son John Hello to your Mrs and to your 4 children, may they grow healthy and strong.
 Michael has got in a wee bit of trouble,
 I guess that he never will learn.
 Because of the dampness there's no turf to speak of and now we have nothing to burn.
 And Brigid is happy, you named a child for her and now she's got six of her own.
 You say you found work, but you don't say what kind or when you will be coming home.
- 3. Kilkelly, Ireland, 18 and 80, dear Michael and John, my sons
- I'm sorry to give you the very sad news
 that your dear old mother has gone.
 We buried her down at the church in Kilkelly,
 your brothers and Brigid were there.
 You don't have to worry, she died very quickly,
 remember her in your prayers.
 And it's so good to hear that Michael's returning,
 with money he's sure to buy land
 For the crop has been poor and the people
 are selling at any price that they can.

- 4. Kilkelly, Ireland, 18 and 90, my dear and loving son John
 I guess that I must be close on to eighty, it's thirty years since you're gone.
 Because of all of the money you send me,
 I'm still living out on my own.
 Michael has built himself a fine house and Brigid's daughters have grown.
 Thank you for sending your family picture, they're lovely young women and men.
 You say that you might even come for a visit, what joy to see you again.
- Kilkelly, Ireland, 18 and 92, my dear brother John I'm sorry that I didn't write sooner to tell you that father passed on.

He was living with Brigid, she says he was cheerful and healthy right down to the end.

Ah, you should have seen him play with

the grandchildren of Pat McNamara, your friend.

And we buried him alongside of mother,

down at the Kilkelly churchyard.

He was a strong and a feisty old man,

considering his life was so hard.

And it's funny the way he kept talking about you, he called for you in the end.

Oh, why don't you think about coming to visit,

we'd all love to see you again.

8 Le Forban (version de terre) Sea Shanty

Do 1. A moi l'forban, que m'importe la gloire, Sol Do Les lois du monde, et qu'importe la mort ? Sur l'océan j'ai planté ma victoire, Sol Do Et bois mon vin dans une coupe d'or. Fa Do Vivre d'orgie est ma seule espérance, Sol Do Le seul bonheur que j'aie pu conquérir. Fa Do C'est sur les flots qu'jai passé mon enfance, Sol Do C'est sur les flots qu'un forban doit mourir Vin qui pétille, femme gentille, Sol Do Sous tes baisers brûlants d'amour ; Fa Do Plaisirs, batailles, Vive la canaille ! Sol Do Je bois, je chante, et je tue tour à tour

- Peut-être qu'au mât d'une barque étrangère Mon corps, un jour, servira d'étendard Et tout mon sang rougira la galère Aujourd'hui fête et demain le hasard. Allons esclave, allons, debout mon brave, Buvons la vie et le vin à grands pots ; Aujourd'hui fête, et puis demain, peut-être Ma tête ira s'engloutir dans les flots.
- 3. Peut-être qu'un jour, par un coup de fortune Je capturerai l'or d'un beau gallion ; Riche à pouvoir vous acheter la lune, Je m'en irai vers d'autres horizons. Là, respecté, comme un vrai gentilhomme, Moi qui ne fus qu'un forban, qu'un bandit, Je pourrai, comme le fils d'un roi, tout comme Mourir, peut-être, dedans un grand lit.

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Le Forban (version de mer) _{Sea Shanty}

- 1. A moi forban que m'importe la gloire Sol Do Né fils de roi et de prostituée Sur des cadavres j'ai chanté la victoire Sol Do Et dans un crâne j'ai bu la liberté Fa Do Vierge craintive, toi, ma captive Sol Do Ce soir je vais dévorer tes appâts Fa Do Encore brûlant d'une autre amante Sol Do Tes vertus vont expirer dans mes bras. Do Vin qui pétille, femme gentille, Sous tes baisers brûlants d'amour ; Fa Do Plaisirs, batailles, Vive la canaille ! Sol Do Je bois, je chante, et je tue tour à tour
- 2. Etant forban je vis dans ma cabine En méprisant les lois , même la mort Ne vivant que de meurtre et de rapine Je bois mon vin dans une coupe d'or Vivre d'orgie est ma seule espérance Le seul bonheur que j'ai su conquérir car sur les flots j'ai bercé mon enfance Et sur les flots un forban doit mourir
- 3. Pendu au mât d'une barque étrangère Mon corps un jour servira d'étendard Et tout mon sang rougira la galère Aujourd'hui fête et demain le hasard Allons esclaves, debout mes braves Buvons l'ivresse et l'orgie à grands flots Aujourd'hui fête, demain peut être Mon corps ira s'engloutir dans les flots
- 4. Si par hasard par un coup de fortune Je capturais l'or d'un beau galion Riche à pouvoir décrocher la lune Je m'en irai vers d'autres horizons Là, vénéré tout comme un gentilhomme Moi qui ne fut qu'un forban qu'un bandit Là je pourrais peut être tout comme Un grand roi dormir dedans un bon lit

10 Eileen Og Percy French

Lam Mi7 Lam 1. Eileen Og, and that the darlin's name is, Sol Ré Sol Through the barony her features they were famous Mi7 Lam we loved her, who is there to blame us, Mi7 Lam For wasn't she the pride of Petravore? Fa Sol7 Do But her beauty made us all so shy, So17 Do Rém Mi7 Lam Not a man could look her in the eye So17 Do Boys, O boys, sure that's reason why Lam Mi7 Lam We're in mourning for the pride of Petravore Fa Sol7 Do Eileen Og, me heart is growing grey Rém Mi7 Lam Ever since the day, you wandered far away Sol7 Do Eileen Ög, there's good fish in the sea Lam Mi7 Lam But there's none of them like the pride of Petravore

2. Friday at the fair of Ballintubber Eileen met McGrath the cattle jobber I'd like to set me mark upon the robber For he stole away the Pride of Petravore He never seemed to see the girl at all Even when she ogled him underneath her shawl Looking big and masterful when she was looking small

Most provoking for the Pride of Petravore

- 3. So it went as it was in the beginning
 Eileen Og was bent upon the winning
 Big McGrath contentedly was grinning
 Being courted by the Pride of Petravore
 Says he, "I know a girl who'd knock you into fits"
 At that Eileen nearly lost her wits
 - The upshot of the ruction was that now the robber sits
 - With his arm around the Pride of Petravore

4. Boys, O boys, with fate 'tis hard to grapple Of my eye 'cause Eileen was the apple And to see her walkin' to the chapel Wid the hardest featured man in Petravore Now me boys, this is all I have to say When you do your courting make no display If you want them to run after you just walk the other way

For they're mostly like the Pride of Petravore

11 The Mermaid Sea Shanty

 $\begin{array}{c|ccccc} & & & & & & & & & \\ \text{Sol} & & & & & & & & \\ \text{I. Twas Friday morn when we set sail} \\ & & & & & & \\ \text{Do} & & & & & & \\ \text{And we were not far from the land} \\ & & & & & & \\ \text{When the captain, he spied a lovely mermaid} \\ & & & & & & \\ \text{With a comb and a glass in her hand} \end{array}$

O the ocean's waves will roll And the stormy winds will blow Sol Do Sol While we poor sailors go skipping to the top Do Ré7 Sol And the landlubbers lie down below (below, below) Do Ré7 Sol And the landlubbers lie down below

- 2. And up spoke the captain of our gallant ship And a well-spoken man was heI have me a wife in Salem by the seaAnd tonight she a widow will be
- 3. And up spoke the cookie of our gallant ship And a red hot cookie was he Saying I care much more for my pots and my pans Than I do for the bottom of the sea
- 4. Then up spoke the cabinboy, of our gallant ship And a nasty little lad was he.I'm not quite sure I can spell "mermaid" But I'm going to the bottom of the sea.
- 5. Then three times around went our gallant ship And three times around went she Three times around went our gallant ship And she sank to the bottom of the sea







15 Kesh Jig



16 Blackthorn Stick Traditional



Black Velvet Band 17Traditional

1. Well, in a neat little town they call Belfast, Ré apprentice to trade I was bound

- Mim Do Sol Many an hours sweet happiness, have I spent in that Ré Sol neat little town
- Sol A sad misfortune came over me, which caused me to stray from the land
- Sol Mim Do Far away from my friends and relations, betrayed by Ré Sol the black velvet band

Sol Her eyes they shone like diamonds I thought her the queen of the land And her hair it hung over her shoulder Do Ré Sol Tied up with a black velvet band

2. I took a stroll down Broadway, meaning not long for to stay

When who should I meet but this pretty fair maid comes a tripping along the highway

She was both fair and handsome, her neck it was just like a swans

And her hair it hung over her shoulder, tied up with a black velvet band

- 3. I took a stroll with this pretty fair maid, and a gentleman passing us by
 - Well I knew she meant the doing of him, by the look in her roguish black eye

A goldwatch she took from his pocket and placed it right in to my hand

And the very first thing that I said was bad luck to the black velvet band

4. Before the judge and the jury, next morning I had to appear

The judge he says to me: "Young man, your case it is proven clear

We'll give you seven years penal servitude, to be spent faraway from the land

Far away from your friends and companions, betrayed by the black velvet band"

5. So come all you jolly young fellows a warning take by me

When you are out on the town me lads, beware of them pretty colleens

- For they feed you with strong drink, "Oh yeah", 'til you are unable to stand
- And the very next thing that you'll know is you've landed in Van Diemens Land

18Drowsy Maggie



Glasgow's Reel 19 Traditional



20 Eireann Mo Ghra Mo Chroi

 In the evening sun when my daily work was done I rambled to the seashore for a walk And I been all alone, I sat down upon a stone For to gaze on the scenes of New York

Oh then, Érin grá mo chroí, you're the only one for me

You're the fairest that my eyes did e'er behold

You're the bright star of the west, the land St.

Patrick blessed

You're the dear little isle so far away

2. 'Twas on a cold, cold winter's night with the turf fire burning bright

And the snowflakes fallen on a winter's day

And I been all alone, I sat down on my own

In the dear little isle so far away

3. The day that I did part, sure it broke my mother's heart

Will I ever see my dear folks anymore?

Not until my bones are laid in the cold and silent grave

In the dear little isle so far away

21 Fields of Athenrye Traditional

- Sol 1. By a lonely prison wall, I \mathbf{Do} heard a young Ré calling, Sol man Sol Do Ré Michael they are taken you away, Sol For you stole trevelyne corn, so the Sol voung $\substack{ \begin{array}{c} {\tt R\acute{e}} \\ {\rm might \ see \ the} \end{array} }$ morn, Now a prison ship lies waiting in the Sol bay. $\overset{\texttt{Sol}}{\operatorname{lie}\operatorname{the}}$ sol Do Low fields of athenry, where once we watched the small free birds flv. $\stackrel{\mathsf{Do}}{\operatorname{love was on the}}$ $\underset{\rm wing, we \ had}{\tt Sol}$ Sol Our dreams Ré sing, and songs to Sol It's so lonely round the fields of Athenry.
- 2. By a lonely prison wall, I heard a young man calling, Nothing matters Mary when your free,

Against the famine and the crown, I rebelled they put me down,

Now you must rase our child with dignity.

3. By a lonely harbour wall, she watched the last star falling,

As the prison ship sailed out against the sky,

For she waits and hopes and prayes, for her love in Botany bay,

It's so lonely round the fields of Athenry

22 Finnegan's Wake

Do Finnegan lived in Walkin Street, 1. Tim Sol gentle Irishman mighty odd a $_{
m He}^{
m Do}$ Lam had a brogue both rich and sweet, an' to You see he'd a sort of a tipplers way but Do Lam the love for the Do liquor poor Tim was born Lam To help him on his Fa way each day, he'd a drop $\substack{ \text{Sol} \\ \text{of the} }$ $\underset{\rm craythur \ every}{\overset{\rm Do}{}}$ morn Do Lam Whack fol the dah now Fa dance to yer partner sol around the flure yer trotters shake Do Lam Fa Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Sol Do Finnegan's Wake

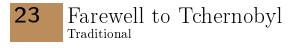
- 2. One morning Tim got rather full, his head felt heavy which made him shake
 - Fell from a ladder and he broke his skull, and they carried him home his corpse to wake
 - Rolled him up in a nice clean sheet, and laid him out upon the bed
 - A bottle of whiskey at his feet and a barrel of porter at his head
 - Whack fol the dah now dance to yer partner around the flure yer trotters shake
 - Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Finnegan's Wake
- 3. His friends assembled at the wake, and Mrs Finnegan called for lunch

First she brought in tay and cake, then pipes, tobacco and whiskey punch

Biddy O'Brien began to cry, "Such a nice clean corpse, did you ever see,

- Tim avourneen, why did you die?", "Will ye hould your gob?" said Paddy McGee
- Whack fol the dah now dance to yer partner around the flure yer trotters shake
- Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Finnegan's Wake

4. Then Maggie O'Connor took up the job, "Biddy" says she "you're wrong, I'm sure" Biddy gave her a belt in the gob and left her sprawling on the floor Then the war did soon engage, t'was woman to woman and man to man Shillelagh law was all the rage and a row and a ruction soon began Whack fol the dah now dance to yer partner around the flure yer trotters shake Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Finnegan's Wake 5. Mickey Maloney ducked his head when a bucket of whiskey flew at him It missed, and falling on the bed, the liquor scattered over Tim Bedad he revives, see how he rises, Timothy rising from the bed Saying "Whittle your whiskey around like blazes, t'underin' Jaysus, do ye think I'm dead?" Whack fol the dah now dance to yer partner around the flure yer trotters shake Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Finnegan's Wake Whack fol the dah now dance to yer partner around the flure yer trotters shake Wasn't it the truth I told you? Lots of fun at Finnegan's Wake





24 Galway Races

 $\stackrel{\mathsf{Do}}{1.}$ As I went down to Galway Town To seek for recreation Lam On the seventeenth of August Sol Do mind being elevated Me Sol There were passengers assembled With their tickets at the station And me eyes began to Mim dazzle And they off to see the races With me wack fol the do fol Lam diddle idle day The

 There were passengers from Limerick And passengers from Nenagh The boys of Connemara And the Clare unmarried maiden There were people from Cork City Who were loyal, true and faithful Who brought home the Fenian prisoners From dying in foreign nations

- 3. And it's there you'll see the pipers
 And the fiddlers competing
 And the sporting wheel of fortune
 And the four and twenty quarters
 And there's others without scruple
 Pelting wattles at poor Maggie
 And her father well contented
 And he gazing at his daughter
- 4. And it's there you'll see the jockeys
 And they mounted on so stably
 The pink, the blue, the orange, and green
 The colors of our nation
 The time it came for starting
 All the horses seemed impatient
 Their feet they hardly touched the ground
 The speed was so amazing!
- 5. There was half a million people there
 Of all denominations
 The Catholic, the Protestant, the Jew, the
 Presbyterian
 Yet there was no animosity
 No matter what persuasion
 But failte hospitality
 Inducing fresh acquaintance

25 Irish Rover

1. On the Fourth of July, 1806 Sol Sol Ré We set sail from the sweet Cobh of Cork Sol Do We were sailing away with a cargo of bricks Sol Ré Sol Sol Sol For the Grand City Hall in New York Sol Ré 'Twas a wonderful craft, She was rigged 'fore and aft' Sol Ré And oh, how the wild wind drove her Sol Sol Do She stood several blasts, She had twenty seven masts And they called her The Irish Rover

We had one million bags of the best Sligo rags
 We had two million barrels of stones
 We had three million sides of old blind horses hides'
 We had four million barrels of bones

We had five million hogs, six million dogs

Seven million barrels of porter

We had eight million barrels of old nanny goate tails In the hold of the Irish Rover

3. There was awl Mickey Coote who played hard on his flute

And the ladies lined up for a set

He would tootle with skill for each sparkling quadrille Though the dancers were fluther'd and bet With his smart witty talk, he was cock of the walk

As he rolled the dames under and over

They all knew at a glance when he took up his stance That he sailed in The Irish Rover

4. There was Barney McGee from the banks of the Lee There was Hogan from County Tyrone

There was Johnny McGurk who was scared stiff of work

And a man from Westmeath called Malone

There was Slugger O'Toole, who was drunk as a rule

And Fighting Bill Tracy from Dover

And your man, Mick McCann, from the banks of the Bann

Was the skipper of the Irish Rover

- 5. For a sailor its' always a bother in life
 It's so lonesome by night and by day
 That he longs for the shore and a charming young
 whore
 Who will melt all his troubles away
 Oh, the noise and the rout swillin' poiteen and stout
 For him soon the torment's over
 Of the love of a maid he is never afraid
 An old salt from the Irish Rover

 6. We had sailed seven years when the measles broke
 out
 And the ship lost its way in the fog
 And that whale of a crew was reduced down to two
 - Just myself and the Captain's old dog

Then the ship struck a rock. Oh Lord! what a shock

- The bulkhead was turned right over
- Turned nine times around and the poor old dog was drowned
- I'm the last of The Irish Rover

26 Johnny, I Harldy Knew Ye !

1. While goin' the road to sweet Athy, Hurroo! Hurroo! Mim While goin' the road to sweet Athy, Hurroo! Hurroo! Mim While goin' the road to sweet Athy, Sol Sol A stick in the hand and a drop in the eye Mim A doleful damsel I heard cry, Mim Johnny I hardly knew ye !

With your drums and guns and drums and guns, Hurroo ! Hurroo ! (bis)

With your drums and guns and drums and guns,

The enemy nearly slew ye

Oh me darling dear, Ye look so queer

- Johnny I hardly knew ye
- 2. Where are the eyes that look so mild, Hurroo ! Hurroo ! (bis)

Where are the eyes that look so mild When my poor heart you so beguiled Why did ye skedaddle from me and the child Oh Johnny, I hardly knew ye.

3. Where are the legs with which ye run, Hurroo ! Hurroo ! (bis)

Where are the legs with which ye run When ye went for to carry a gun Indeed your dancing days are done Oh Johnny, I hardly knew ye.

- 4. Ye haven't an arm, Ye haven't a leg, Hurroo ! Hurroo ! (bis)
 Ye haven't an arm, ye haven't a leg
 Ye're an armless, boneless, chickenless egg
 Ye'll have to be put in a bowl to beg
 - Oh Johnny I hardly knew ye.
- 5. I'm happy for to see ye home, Hurroo ! Hurroo ! (bis)I'm happy for to see ye homeAll from the island of SulloonSo low in flesh, so high in boneOh Johnny I hardly knew ye.

27 Leaving of Liverpool Traditional

1. Farewell to you my own true love, I am going far,far away, La La La Bound for California, And I know that I'll return some day.

So fare thee well my own true love, When I return united we will be, Its not the leaving of Liverpool that grieves me, But my darling when I think of thee.

- 2. I have slipped on board a Yankee ship Davey Crockett is her name, And her captain it is Burgees, And they say that she's a floating hell.
- 3. I have sailed with Burgess once before,And I think I know him well,If a man's a salor he will get along,If not then he's sure for hell.
- 4. Oh the sun is in the harbour love,And I wish I could remain,For I know it will be a long,long time,Before I see you again.

28 Molly Maguires

Do way for the Sol Molly Maguires, thet're Fa Sol Do Way for the Sol Molly Maguires, thet're Make Way for the Molly Maguires, you'll never see the Sol them again.

- 1. Lam Mim sunlight shines, thoes Do pits are black as hell, In mud and slime they do thier time, it's Paddy's prison cell. And they coursed the day they sailed away, and Fa drowned their tears with a jar.
- Backs will break and muscles ache,
 Down there theres no time to dream,
 Of fields and farms and wimans arms,
 Just dig that bloody seam,
 Though they break their bodies underground,

None dare to push them around.

29 Magpie's Nest



30 Chattering Magpie Traditional



31 Kerry Traditional

32 Les Prisons de Nantes

- Lam Sol 1. Dans les prisons de Nantes (bis) Sol Lam Y avait un prisonnier
- 2. Personne ne vint le « vouère » Que la fille du geôlier
- 3. Un jour il lui demande Et que dit-on de « moué » ?
- 4. On dit de vous en ville Que vous serez pendu
- 5. Mais s'il faut qu'on me pende Déliez-moi les pieds
- La fille était jeunette
 Les pieds lui a délié
- Le prisonnier alerte
 Dans la Loire s'est jeté
- 8. Dès qu'il fût sur les rivesIl se prit à chanter
- 9. Je chante pour les belles Surtout celle du geôlier
- 10. Si je reviens à Nantes Oui je l'épouserai
- 11. Dans les prisons de Nantes Y avait un prisonnier

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Morrison's Jig



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- **34** Joe Cooley's Reel Traditional

Paddy's Return Traditional



Up In The Air Traditional



Cliffs of Moher



38 Rare Old Times

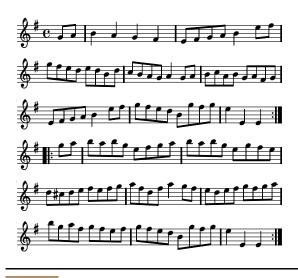
Sol Do Sol 1. Raised on songs and stories Do Sol Mim Do Heroes of renown Sol The Do Sol passing tales and glories That once was Dublin Town Sol The bo hallowed halls and Sol houses Mim The Do haunting children's rhymes once was Dublin City Sol That Ré In the é Sol rare ould times. Sol Do Sol Rosey Ringa Ringa

As the Mim Do As the light declines I'll remember Dublin City In the rare ould Times.

- My name it is Sean Dempsey
 As Dublin as could be
 Born hard and late in Pimlico
 In a house that ceased to be
 My trade I was a cooper
 Lost out to redundancy
 Like my house that fell to progress
 My trades a memory
- 3. I courted Peggy Digman As pretty as you please. A rage and child of Mary from the rebel liberties
 I lost her to a student chap With skin as back as coal
 When he took her off to Birmingham She took away my soul.
- 4. The years have made me bitter The gargle dims me brain Cause Dublin keeps on changing and Nothing seems the same. The Pillar and the Met have gone The Royal long since pulled down As the grey unyielding concrete Makes a city of my Town.

5. Fare thee well sweet Anna Liffey I can no longer stay And watch me new glass cages that Spring up along me Ouay My mind's too full of memories Too old to hear new chimes I'm a part of what was Dublin In the rare ould times.

39 Rights of Man



40 Pride of Petravore



41 Rocky Road To Dublin

- Rém Do Rém 1. In the merry month of May, From my home I started. Do Rém Do Left the girls of Tuam, Nearly broken hearted, Rém Do Rém Saluted father dear, Kissed my darlin' mother, Do Rém Do Do Do Drank a pint of beer, My grief and tears to smother, Rém Do Rém Then off to reap the corn, And leave where I was Do born, Rém Do I cut a stout blackthorn, To banish ghost and goblin, Rém Do Rém In a brand new pair of brogues, I rattled o'er the Do bogs, $\stackrel{\texttt{R\acute{e}m}}{\operatorname{frightened}}$ all the dogs, On the rocky road to Dublin. Lam Do Rém One, two, three, four five, Hunt the hare and turn her Down the rocky road And all the ways to Dublin, Rém Am Do Ré Whack-fol-lol-de-ra.
- In Mullingar that night, I rested limbs so weary, Started by daylight, Next mornin' light and airy, Took a drop of the pure, To keep my heart from sinkin',
 - That's an Irishman's cure, Whene'er he's on for drinking.

To see the lasses smile, Laughing all the while,

At my curious style, 'Twould set your heart a-bubblin'.

They ax'd if I was hired, The wages I required,

Till I was almost tired, Of the rocky road to Dublin.

3. In Dublin next arrived, I thought it such a pity, To be so soon deprived, A view of that fine city. Then I took a stroll, All among the quality, My bundle it was stole, In a neat locality; Something crossed my mind, Then I looked behind; No bundle could I find, Upon my stick a wobblin'. Enquirin' for the rogue, They said my Connacht brogue,

Wasn't much in vogue, On the rocky road to Dublin.

4. From there I got away, My spirits never failin' Landed on the quay As the ship was sailin'; Captain at me roared, Said that no room had he, When I jumped aboard, A cabin found for Paddy, Down among the pigs I played some funny rigs, Danced some hearty jigs, The water round me bubblin',

When off Holyhead, I wished myself was dead, Or better far instead, On the rocky road to Dublin.

5. The boys of Liverpool, When we safely landed, Called myself a fool; I could no longer stand it; Blood began to boil, Temper I was losin', Poor ould Erin's isle They began abusin', "Hurrah my soul", sez I, My shillelagh I let fly; Some Galway boys were by, Saw I was a hobble in, Then with a loud hurray, They joined in the affray. We quickly cleared the way, For the rocky road to Dublin.

42 Star of The County Down Traditional

1. In Banbridge Town in the County Down Sol Em Ré One morning last July, Sol Do Ré Mim And she smiled as she passed me by. Do Sol Lam She looked so sweet from her two bare feet Ŗé Sol Mim To the sheen of her nut brown hair. Mim Sol Ré Such a coaxing elf, sure I shook myself Sol Mim For to see I was really there. Sol Lam From Bantry Bay up to Derry Quay and Sol Mim Ré From Galway to Dublin Town, Mim Sol Ré No maid I've seen like the sweet colleen That I met in the County Down.

2. As she onward sped, sure I scratched my head, And I looked with a feelin' rare, And I says, says I, to a passer-by, "Who's the maid with the nut brown hair?" He smiled at me and he says, says he, "That's the gem of Ireland's crown. Young Rosie McCann from the banks of the Bann, She's the star of the County Down."
3. At the Harvest Fair she'll be surely there And I'll dress in my Sunday clothes,

With my shoes shone bright and my hat cocked right

For a smile from my nut brown rose.

No pipe I'll smoke, no horse I'll yoke

- Till my plough turns rust coloured brown.
- Till a smiling bride by my own fireside
- Sits the star of the County Down.

43 King of The Fairies



44 Sally Brown

La Shipped on board off a Liverpool liner
Mi La Mi7 La Way hey roll and go
And we rolled all night
And we rolled all day
La To spend my money along with Sally Brown

- 2. Sally Brown is a nice young lady
- 3. She's tall and she's dark and she's not too shady
- 4. Her mother doesn't like no tarry sailor
- 5. She once had to marry a one legged captain
- 6. Sally wouldn't marry me so I shipped across the water
- 7. And now I am courting Sally's daughter
- 8. I shipped off board a Liverpool liner

45 The Foggy Dew Traditional

Mim down the glen one Easter Ré 1. As morn to Sol Mim city fair rode I Mim There Ré Armed lines of marching men in squadrons passed me by Sol No Ré Sim fife did hum nor battle drum Sol Mim did sound it's dread tatoo Mim But the Angelus bell o'er the Liffey swell Mim out through the Sol foggy dew rang

2. Right proudly high over Dublin Town they hung out the flag of war

'Twas better to die 'neath an Irish sky than at Sulva or Sud El Bar

And from the plains of Royal Meath strong men came hurrying through

- While Britannia's Huns, with their long range guns sailed in through the foggy dew
- 3. 'Twas Britannia bade our Wild Geese go that small nations might be free

But their lonely graves are by Sulva's waves or the shore of the Great North Sea

Oh, had they died by Pearse's side or fought with Cathal Brugha

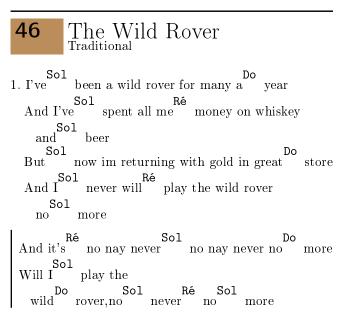
Their names we will keep where the fenians sleep 'neath the shroud of the foggy dew

- 4. But the bravest fell, and the requiem bell rang mournfully and clear
 - For those who died that Eastertide in the springing of the year

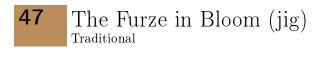
And the world did gaze, in deep amaze, at those fearless men, but few

Who bore the fight that freedom's light might shine through the foggy dew

- 5. Ah, back through the glen I rode again and my heart with grief was sore
 - For I parted then with valiant men whom I never shall see more
 - But to and fro in my dreams I go and I'd kneel and pray for you,
 - For slavery fled, O glorious dead, When you fell in the foggy dew

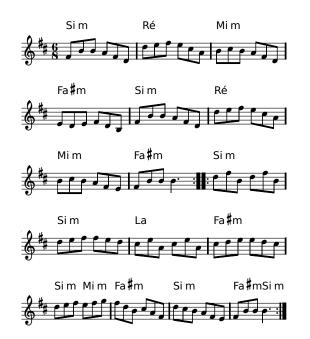


- 2. I went into an ale-house I used to frequent And I told the landlady me money was spent I asked her for credit,she answered me 'Nay Such a custom as yours I can get any day
- 3. I took from my pocket 10 sovereigns bright And the landladie's eyes opened wide with delight She said I have whiskey and wines of the best And the words that I spoke were only in jest
- 4. I'll go home to my parents confess what I've done And I'll ask them to pardon their prodigal son And when they forgive me as oft times before Sure I never will play the wild rover no more









- **49** The Yellow Goat Traditional
- **50** Cuz Teehan's Traditional

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- **51** Mrs Crowley's Traditional

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52 The Jug of Punch Traditional

Ré 1. One pleasent evening in the month of June, La Ré As I was sleeping in my room, Sol La A small bird sat on an ivy bunch, Ré Sol La7 Ré And the song he sang was The Jug Of Punch. Ré Mim Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo - ra lay, La Ré Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Sol La A small bird sat on an ivy bunch, Ré Sol La7 Ré And the song he sang was the jug of punch.

- 2. What more diveration can a man desire, Than to sit him by an alehouse fire, Upon his knee a pritty wench, And on the table a jug of punch. Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Upon his knee a pritty wench, And on the table a jug of punch.
- 3. Let the doctors come with all their art They'll make no impression upon me heart Even the cripple forgets his hunch When he's snug outside of a jug of punch Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Even the cripple forgets his hunch When he's snug outside of a jug of punch.
- 4. If I get drunk, well, me money's me own, And them don't like me, they can leave me alone; I'll tune me fiddle and I'll rosin me bow And I'll be welcome wherever I go. Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay, Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay,
 I'll tune me fiddle and I'll rosin me bow And I'll be welcome wherever I go.

5. And when I'm dead and I'm in me grave No costly tombstone will I crave.
Lay me down by me native peat,
With a jug of punch at me head and feet.
Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay,
Too-ra loo-ra loo, too-ra loo-ra lay,
Lay me down by me native peat,
With a jug of punch at me head and feet.

53 Les Filles des Forges Traditionnel

- Lam Sol
 Digue, ding don, don, ce sont les filles des forges
 Des forges de Paimpont, digue ding dondaine
 Des forges de Paimpont, dingue ding dondon
- Digue, ding don, don, elles s'en vont à confesse Au curé du canton, digue ding dondaine Au curé du canton, dingue ding dondon
- Digue, ding don, don, qu'avions-vous fait les filles Pour demander pardon, digue ding dondaine Pour demander pardon, dingue ding dondon
- Digue, ding don, don, j'avions couru les bals
 Et les jolis garçons, digue ding dondaine
 Et les jolis garçons, dingue ding dondon
- Digue, ding don, don, ma fille pour pénitence Nous nous embrasserons, digue ding dondaine Nous nous embrasserons, dingue ding dondon
- 6. Digue, ding don, don, je n'embrasse point les prêtres Mais les jolis garçons, digue ding dondaine Qu'ont du poil au menton, dingue ding dondon
- 7. Digue, ding don, don, ce sont les filles des forgesDes forges de Paimpont, digue ding dondaineDes forges de Paimpont, dingue ding dondon

54 Weile Weile Waile Waile

La 1. There was an old woman and she lived in the woods, Ré La weile weile waile

Mi There was an old woman and she lived in the woods, Mi7 La down by the river Sai - le

- 2. She had a baby three months old, weile weile waile She had a baby three months old, down by the river Saile
- 3. She had a pen knife long and sharp, weile weile waile She had a pen knife long and sharp, down by the river Saile
- 4. She stuck the pen knife in the babys heart, weile weile waile

She stuck the pen knife in the babys heart, down by the river Saile

5. There were three loud knocks come a'knockin on the door, weile weile waile

There were three loud knocks come a'knockin on the door, down by the river Saile

6. There were two policemen and a special-branchman, weile weile waile

There were two policemen and a special-branchman, down by the river Saile

- 7. They put a rope around her neck, weile weile waile They put a rope around her neck, down by the river Saile
- 8. They pulled the rope and she got hang, weile weile waile

They pulled the rope and she got hang, down by the river Saile

- 9. And that was the end of the woman in the woods, weile weile waile
 - And that was the end of the baby too, down by the river Saile

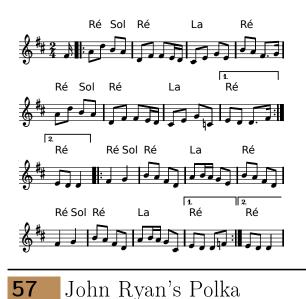
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Wedding Polka Traditional





Castleisland Polka







58 Whiskey In The Jar Traditional

- 1. As I was a goin' over the far famed Kerry mountains Do Sol I met with captain Farrell and his money he was counting
 I first produced me pistol and then produced me rapier
 Saying "Stand and deliver" for I am a bold deceiver
 Musha ring dumma do damma da Sol whack fol' the daddy 'ol bo whack fol' the daddy 'ol there's whiskey in the jar
- I counted out his money and it made a pretty penny I put it in me pocket and I took it home to Jenny She said and she swore that she never would deceive me
 - But the devil take the women for they never can be easy
- I went up in my chamber, all for to take a slumber I dreamt of gold and jewels and for sure 't was no wonder
 - But Jenny drew my charges and she filled them up with water
 - And sent for captain Farrell to be ready for the slaughter
- 4. 't was early in the morning, as I rose to travel The guards were all around me likewise captain Farrell
 - I first produced me pistol for she stole away me rapier
 - I couldn't shoot the water, so a prisoner I was taken
- 5. If anyone can aid me it's my brother in the army If I knew his station down in Cork or in Killarney And if he'll come and join me, we'll go rovin' near Killkenny
 - And sure he'll treat me better than this fuckin' cunt of Jenny

59	Whiskey, You're the Devil Traditional
Sol Oh, whi Sol astray	skey you're the devil, You're leading me
You're s than t Sol	
Now b Ré Off to 1 Sol Drums Do Devil a Lo' far Lar Me thi Sol Me rig	tery doodelum the da
. The Fr	rench are fighting boldly

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- 2. The French are fighting boldly Men are dying hot and coldly Give every man his flask of powder His firelock on his shoulder Lo' fare thee well With me thitery doodelum the da Me thitery doodelum the da Me right fol' tur-a laddie-o There's whiskey in the jar
- Says the mother : "Do not wrong me Don't take me daughter from me For if you do I will torment you

And after death me ghost will haunt you"

We're off, fare thee well With me thitery doodelum the da

Me thitery doodelum the da

- Me right fol' tur-a laddie-o
- There's whiskey in the jar

60 Tri Martolod

Tri martolod yaouank (tra la la, la di ga dra) Tri martolod yaouank o voned da veajiñ Tri martolod yaouank (tra la la, la di ga dra) Tri martolod yaouank o voned da veajiñ O voned da veajiñ ge, o voned da veajiñ (bis)

- Gant avel bet kaset (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 Gant avel bet kaset betek an Douar Nevez
 Betek an Douar Nevez ge, betek an Douar Nevez
- E-kichen maen ar veilh (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 E-kichen maen ar veilh o deus mouilhet o eorioù
 O deus mouilhet o eorioù ge, o deus mouilhet o eorioù
- 3. Hag e-barzh ar veilh-se (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 Hag e-barzh ar veilh-se e oa ur servijourez
 E oa ur servijourez ge, e oa ur servijourez
- 4. Hag e c'houlenn ganin (tra la la, la di ga dra) Hag e c'houlenn ganin pelec'h 'n eus graet konesañs Pelec'h 'n eus graet konesañs ge, pelec'h 'n eus graet konesañs
- 5. E Naoned, er marc'had (tra la la, la di ga dra) E Naoned, er marc'had hor boa choazet ur walenn Hor boa choazet ur walenn ge, hor boa choazet ur walenn
- 6. Gwalenn ar promesa (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 Gwalenn ar promesa, ha par omp da zimeziñ
 Ha par omp da zimeziñ ge, ha par omp da zimeziñ
- 7. Ni 'zimezo hon-daou (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 Ni 'zimezo hon-daou, ha pa n'eus ket avañtaj
 Ha pa n'eus ket avañtaj ge, ha pa n'eus ket avañtaj
- 8. Ma mamm c'hwi zo 'n hoc'h aez (tra la la, la di ga dra)
 - Ma mamm c'hwi zo 'n hoc'h aez, n'ouzoc'h ket piv zo diaes
 - N'ouzoc'h ket piv zo diaes ge, n'ouzoc'h ket piv zo diaes

- 9. N'hon eus na ti na plouz, (tra la la, la di ga dra)N'hon eus na ti na plouz, na gwele da gousket en nozNa gwele da gousket en noz ge, na gwele da gousket en noz
- 10. N'eus na liñser na lenn, (tra la la, la di ga dra)N'eus na liñser na lenn, na pennwele dindan ar pennNa pennwele dindan ar penn ge, na pennwele dindan ar penn
- 11. N'hon eus na skuell na loa, (tra la la, la di ga dra)N'hon eus na skuell na loa, na danvez d'ober baraNa danvez d'ober bara ge, na danvez d'ober bara
- 12. Ni 'ray 'vel ar glujar (tra la la, la di ga dra)Ni 'ray 'vel ar glujar, ni 'gousko war an douarNi 'gousko war an douar ge, ni 'gousko war an douar
- 13. Ni ray 'vel ar c'hefeleg, (tra la la, la di ga dra)Ni ray 'vel ar c'hefeleg, pa sav an heol 'ya da redekPa sav an heol 'ya da redek ge, pa sav an heol 'ya da redek
- 14. Echu eo ma jañson, (tra la la, la di ga dra)Echu eo ma jañson, an hini 'oar 'c'hontinuiAn hini 'oar 'c'hontinui, an hini 'oar 'c'hontinu

61 Bugger Off

So bugger off, you bastards bugger off! (Fuck You!) Bugger off, you bastards bugger off! (Fuck You!) Sol Em Like a herd of bloody swine that refuse to leave the Do trough You'll get no more this evening so you bastards bugger off

1. Well you've been a lovely audience, but oh the time Sol does pass.

Em Do Ré So don't you all be lettin' the door hit you in the ass. Do Sol You've been a splendid audience, but enough is Ré enough.

Sol Do Ré Sol We'd take it very kindly if you'd all just bugger off!

2. Here's to all the batenders and waitresses who've been servin you your beers,

and puttin up with your knoxious breath and your stupid drunken leers.

so leave your money on the table when you go,

tomorrow you'll have a sorry head and nothin left to show

3. Here's to all the lovely ladies who might be waitin for the band,

and thinkin one of them might make a charmin one night stand.

Please don't be offended girls this song is not for you. we'll be happy to oblige you when this nasty job is through.

4. So you've been promisin the ladies a night of lovin bliss,

but truth be told your far to drunk to stand up straight and piss.

So give it up you lousy sods you'll not be gettin laid. and the sooner that you're out the door the sooner

we'll get paid.

- 5. So bugger off, you bastards bugger off! (Fuck You!)Bugger off, you bastards bugger off! (Fuck You!)Like a herd of fucking swine that refuse to leave the trough
 - You'll get no more this evening so you bastards bugger off

62 Dérobée de Guigamp Traditionnel

63 Don't Get Married Girls

- Mim 1. Don't get married, girls. You'll sign away your life. Sol Ré Mim You may start off as a woman, but you'll end up as the wife. La Mim You could be a vestal virgin, take the veil, or be a nun, Sol Ré Do Si7 But don't get married, girls, for marriage isn't fun. Mi Si7 Oh, it's great when you're romancing and he plays the lover's part. La Mi Si7 You're the flowers in his garden. You're the flame that warms his heart. La Mi La Mi And his love will last forever and he'll promise you the moon, Si7 But just wait until you're married and he'll sing a different tune. La Mi Si7 But just wait until you're the dumplings in his stew, La Mi La Mi You're his tapioca pudding. You're the dumplings in his stew, La Mi La Mi You're his tapioca pudding. You're the dishes you provide, Si7 But he'll soon begin to wonder what he ever saw in you. La Mi Si7 Mi Still he takes without com plaining all the dishes you provide, Si7 Mi But you know he likes to have a little jam tart on the side.
- 2. So don't get married, girls. It's very badly paid.
 You may start off as the mistress, but you'll end up as the maid.
 Be a daring deep sea diver. Be a polished polyglot,
 But don't get married, girls, for marriage isn't hot.
 Have you seen him in the morning with a face that looks like death,
 With dandruff on his pillow and tobacco on his breath?
 Still he needs some reassurance with his cup of tea in bed,
 'Cos he's worried 'bout the mortgage and the bald patch on his head,
 And he thinks that you're his mother, lays his head upon your breast,
 So you try to boost his ego, iron his shirt, and warm his vest.
 Then you get him off to work. The mighty hunter is restored,
 And he leaves you there with nothing but the dreams you can't afford.
- 3. So don't get married, girls. Men are all the same. They'll just use you when they want you. You'd be better on the game. Be a call girl, be a stripper, be a hostess, be a whore, But don't get married, girls, for marriage is a bore. When he comes home in the evening, he can hardly spare a look. All he says is, "What's for dinner?" After all, you're just the cook. Then he takes you to a party and he eyes you with a frown, And you know you've got to look your best. You mustn't let him down. And he'll fix you with that look, and there's that twinkle in his eye, Like he's entered in a raffle and he's won you for a prize, But when the party's over, you'll go slogging through the sludge Half the time a decoration and the other half a drudge.

4. So don't get married. It'll drive you round the bend.
It's a lane without a turning. It's the end without an end.
Take a lover every Friday, take up tennis, be a nurse,
But don't get married, girls, for marriage is a curse.
For you get him off to work. The mighty hunter is restored,
And he leaves you there with nothing but the dreams you can't afford.