

## ***MURSHEEN DURKIN***

**IN THE DAYS WHEN I WAS COURTIN'  
I WAS NEVER TIRED RESORTIN'  
TO AN ALE-HOUSE OR A PLAY-HOUSE  
AND MANY THE HOUSE BESIDES  
I TOLD MY BROTHER SEAMUS  
I'D GO OFF AND GET RIGHT FAMOUS  
AND NEVER WOULD RETURN AGAIN  
TILL I'D SEEN THE WORLD WIDE!**

***SO GOODBYE MUIRSHEEN DURKIN  
I'M SICK AND TIRED OF WORKING  
NO MORE I'LL DIG THE PRATIES  
NO LONGER I'LL BE FOOLED  
AS SURE AS ME NAME IS CARNEY  
I'LL GO OFF TO CALIFORNIA,  
WHERE INSTEAD OF DIGGIN' PRATIES  
I'LL BE DIGGIN' LUMPS OF GOLD!***

**I'VE COURTED GIRLS IN BLARNEY  
KANTURK AND IN KILLARNEY  
IN PASSAGE AND IN QUEENSTOWN  
THAT IS THE COBH OF CORK  
SO GOODBYE TO ALL THIS PLEASURE  
FOR I'M GOING TO TAKE ME LEISURE  
AND THE NEXT THING YOU WILL HEAR FROM ME  
WILL BE A LETTER FROM NEW YORK!**

**GOODBYE TO ALL THE BOYS AT HOME -  
I'M SAILING FAR ACROSS THE FOAM  
TO TRY AND MAKE ME FORTUNE  
IN FAR AMERIKAY  
THERE'S GOLD AND MONEY PLENTY  
FOR THE POOR AND FOR THE GENTRY  
AND WHEN I COME BACK AGAIN  
I NEVER MORE WILL STRAY!**