

The ROCKS of BAWN

COME ALL YE LOYAL HEROES, WHEREVER YOU MAY BE
AND DON'T HIRE WITH ANY MASTER
TILL YOU KNOW WHAT THE WORK MIGHT BE
FOR YOU MUST RISE UP EARLY
IN THE CLEAR DAYLIGHT OF DAWN
OR YOU NEVER WILL BE ABLE
FOR TO PLOW THE ROCKS OF BAWN.

MY SHOES THEY ARE WELL WORN OUT
AND MY STOCKINGS ARE GONE THIN
MY HEART IS ALWAYS TREMBLING NOW
FOR FEAR THEY MIGHT GIVE IN
MY HEART IS ALWAYS TREMBLING
IN THE CLEAR DAYLIGHT OF DAWN
AND I NEVER WILL BE ABLE
FOR TO PLOW THE ROCKS OF BAWN.

RISE UP, GALLANT SWEENEY
AND GIVE YOUR HORSE HIS HAY
AND GIVE HIM A GOOD FEED OF OATS
BEFORE YOU START AWAY
DON'T FEED HIM ON SOFT TURNIPS
THAT GROW ON YOUR GREEN LAWN
OR HE NEVER WILL BE ABLE
FOR TO PLOW THE ROCKS OF BAWN.

MY CURSE UPON YOU, SWEENEY -
YOU HAVE ME NEARLY ROBBED
YOU'RE SITTING BY THE FIRESIDE NOW,
YOUR FEET UPON THE HOB
YOU'RE SITTING BY THE FIRESIDE NOW,
IN THE CLEAR DAYLIGHT OF DAWN
AND YOU NEVER WILL BE ABLE
FOR TO PLOW THE ROCKS OF BAWN.

I WISH THE QUEEN OF ENGLAND
WOULD SEND FOR ME IN TIME
AND PLACE ME IN SOME REGIMENT
ALL IN MY YOUTH AND PRIME
I'D FIGHT FOR IRELAND'S GLORY,
IN THE CLEAR DAYLIGHT OF DAWN
AND I NEVER WOULD RETURN AGAIN
TO PLOW THE ROCKS OF BAWN!