To Youth (My Sweet Roisin Dubh)

Flogging Molly

Tell me why must a man be of service To his lord and the god seldom high? From the grave spring the name of our fathers But there's no glint in a dead man's eye

Tell me why are our fields filled with hunger And fruitless the crop, bitter soil So I say my farewell to a nation As the leaf waves goodbye to it's son

So it's to youth I sing you this story
And it's of youth I sing it now
Like the train that derails without warning
I must leave what I left far behind

So goodbye, sweet Roisin Dubh I say goodbye

Tell me why must our peace be this puzzle
That fractures the land, splinters war
The last nails cite the shame in our coffin
But in the end we must all die alone

So it's to youth I sing you this story
And it's of youth I sing it now
Like the train that derails without warning
Some must leave what they left far behind

So goodbye, sweet Roisin Dubh I say goodbye

And the bark fell from tree to the ground that now bleed On the anguish that never learned to shout With the clash of the drum, we'll surrender the gun And on this sadness we shall no longer speak

Until tank and the bomb are but all forgotten songs
That's when I and we will sing again
So goodbye to my love, my sweet Roisin Dubh

Goodbye now until we meet again

Tell me why must our grief still be grieving
For a language that never spoke its loss
But this tongue speak with fire will tear down the barb wire
Rip the belly from the waxy ghost

So it's to youth I sing you this story
And it's of youth I sing it now
Like the train that derails without warning
We must leave what we left far behind

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So goodbye, sweet Roisin Dubh I say goodbye So goodbye, sweet Roisin Dubh I say goodbye

> Until we meet again Until we meet again Until we meet again

She arrives to beautify
But slumber now must rest
Oh my Roisin Dubh, I'll forever love
The youth you once possessed

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