

The Fields of Athenry

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INTRO: D C G G
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G G C G D D
By a lonely prison wall, I heard a young girl call....ing.

G C D D
Michael, they are taking you away.

G C G D
For you stole Trevelyan's corn, so the young might see the morn.

D C G G
Now a prison ship lies waiting in the bay.

CHORUS:

G C G G
Low....lie....the fields of Athenry,

G G D D
Where once we watched the small free birds fly.

G C G D
Our love was on the wing; we had dreams and songs to sing.

D C G G
It's so lonely round the fields of Athenry.

G G C G D D
By a lonely prison wall, I heard a young man call....ing.

G C D D
Nothing matters, Mary, when you're free.

G C G D
Against the famine and the crown, I rebelled, they cut me down,

D C G G
Now you must raise our child in dignity.

CHORUS:

G G C G D D
By a lonely harbor wall, she watched the last star fall....ing.

G C D D
As the prison ship sailed out against the sky.

G C G D
For she waits and hopes and prays for her love in Botany Bay.

D C G G
It's so lonely round the fields of Athenry.

CHORUS IS SUNG TWICE AT END

OUTRO (Slowly): D C G G
It's so lonely round the fields of Athenry.

