

Delirium Tremens
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Goodbye to the Port and Brandy, to the Vodka and the Stag,
A **A7** **D**
to the Schmiddick and the Harpic, the bottled draught and keg.
D **G**
As I sat lookin up the Guinness and I could never figure out,
A **A7** **G** **A D**
how your man stayed up on the surfboard after 14 pints of stout.

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I dreamt a dream the other night, I couldn t sleep a wink,
A **A7**
the rats were tryin to count the sheep and I was off the drink.
D **G**
There were footsteps in the parlour and voices on the stairs,
A **A7**
and I was climbin up the walls and movin round the chairs.

D **G**
I looked out from under the blanket and up at the fireplace,
A **A7**
there was the Pope and John F. Kennedy were starin in me face.
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And Suddenly it dawned at me I was getting the old D.T.s,
A **A7**
when the Child o Prague began to dance around the mantelpiece.

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Well, I swore upon the Bible I d never touch a drop,
A **A7**
my heart was palpitatin , I was sure twas going to stop,
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Thinkin I was dyin I gave my soul to God to keep,
A **A7**
a tenner to St. Anthony to help me get some sleep.

D **G**
I fell into an awful nightmare - got a dreadful shock,

A **A7**
 when I dreamt there was no Duty-free at the airport down in Knock.
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 And Ian Paisley was sayin the rosary,
G
 and Mother Theresa was taking the the pill,
A **A7**
 and Frank Patterson was out of his head, he was singin Spancil Hill.

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 I dreamt I was in ecstasy in Heaven, and in agony in Hell,
A **A7**
 I was bored in Limbo and then I was in Purgatory as well.
D
 And there was original sins and venial sins,
G
 and mortal sins by the score,
A
 so I tied barbed wire around my underpants,
A7
 and I flagellated myself on the floor.

D
 Then I dreamt I was in the confessional box,
G
 and the auld Bishop said to me,
A
 Any impure thoughts, my child?
A7
 Sure the f**king barbed wire was killin me !
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 And then I dreamt I was in the jacuzzi with that auld hoor from No. 10,
A **A7**
 and then I knew I d never ever, ever drink again.

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