Carrickfergus Loudon Wainwright III

[Intro] D Em A D Bm Em A

Em A D Bm I wish I was, in Carrickfergus Em Α Only for nights, in Ballygrant Em A I would swim over the deepest ocean Em Α The deepest ocean to be by your side D BmBut the sea is wide and I can t swim over D Bm G And nor have I the wings to fly A D Em If I could find me a handy boatman Em A To ferry me over to my love and die Em A My childhood days bring back sad reflections Em A Of happy time spend so long ago. Em A D My boyhood friends and my own relations Em A Have all passed on like the melting snow D Bm I ll spend my days in endless roving D Bm G Soft is the grass and my bed is free Em Α Oh to be home now in Carrickfergus Em Α On the long road down to the salty sea Em A And in Kilkenny it is reported On marble stone as black as ink Em Α With gold and silver I did support her Em Α

But I ll sing no more now till I get a drink

For I m drunk today and I m rarely sober

D Bm G A

A handsome rover from town to town

Em A now and my days are numbered

Em A D

So come on ye young men and lay me down