Jolly Ploughboy Misc Traditional

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The Merry Ploughboy

CAPO 2

C G7 C
I am a merry ploughboy, and I plow the fields by day,
G7 C
Till a sudden thought came to my mind, that I should run away,
G7 C
Now I ve always hated slavery, since the day that I was born,
G7 C
So I m off to join the IRA, and I m off tomorrow morn.

(CHORUS:)

So, we re off to Dublin, in the Green in the Green, Where the helmets glisten in the sun, Where the bayonets flash and the rifles crash, To the echo of a Thompson gun.

Now I leave aside my old gray coat, and I leave aside my plough, And I leave aside my horse and yoke, no more I ll need them now. And I ll take my short revolver, and my bandolier of lead,

And live or die I can but try to avenge my countries dead.

CHO:

Now there s one I leave behind me, she s the coleen I adore, $\mbox{\footnotemark}$ And I wonder will she think of me, when she hears them cannons roar,

Ah, but when the war is over, and when dear old Ireland s free, I will take her to the church to wed, and a rebels wife she ll be.

CHO: