

**The Town I Loved So Well**  
**The Dubliners**

[Verse]

**G** **D** **C** **G**  
In my memory I will always see  
**C** **G** **D**  
The town that I have loved so well  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
Where our school played ball by the gasyard wall  
**C** **G** **D** **G**  
And we laughed through the smoke and smell.  
**Em** **D** **C** **G**  
Going home in the rain running up the dark lane  
**C** **Am** **D**  
Past the jail and down beside the fountain  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
Those were happy days in so many many ways  
**C** **G** **D** **G**  
In the town I loved so well.

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**G** **D** **C** **G**  
In the early morning the shirt factory horn  
**C** **G** **D**  
Called women from Creggan, the Moor and the Bog  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
While the men on the dole played a mothers role  
**C** **G** **D** **G**  
Fed the children and then walked the dog  
**Em** **D** **C** **G**  
And when times got rough, there was just about enough  
**C** **Am** **D**  
But they saw it through without complaining  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
For deep inside was a burning pride  
**C** **G** **D** **G**  
for the town I loved so well.

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**G** **D** **C** **G**  
There was music there in the Derry air  
**C** **G** **D**  
Like a language that we all could understand  
**G** **D** **C** **G**  
I remember the day when I earned my first pay  
**C** **G** **D** **G**  
as I played in a small pickup band  
**Em** **D** **C** **G**  
There I spent my youth and to tell you the truth

**C Am D**  
I was sad to leave it all behind me  
**G D C G**  
For I d learned about life and I d found a wife  
**C G D G**  
In the town I loved so well.

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**G D C G**  
But when I returned, oh my eyes, how they had burned  
**C G D**  
To see how a town could be brought to it s knees  
**G D C G**  
By the armoured cars and the bombed out bars  
**C G D G**  
And the gas that hangs on to every breeze  
**Em D C G**  
Now the army s installed by that old gasyard wall  
**C Am D**  
And the damned barbed wire gets higher and higher  
**G D C G**  
With their tanks and guns, oh my God, what have they done  
**C G D G**  
To the town I loved so well.

[Verse]

**G D C G**  
Now the music s gone but they carry on  
**C G D**  
For their spirit s been bruised, never broken  
**G D C G**  
Oh, they ll not forget still their hearts are set  
**C G D G**  
On tomorrow and peace once again  
**Em D C G**  
Now what s done is done and what s won is won  
**C Am7 D**  
And what s lost is lost and gone forever  
**G D C G**  
I can only pray for a bright brand new day  
**C G D G**  
In the town I loved so well.