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Liberty Belle

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[Chorus]

Is it easy

Just to try it?

Is it the same old line?

Well, is it liberating

Just to be so fine?

Happens all the time

[Verse 3]

You know I love that violence

That you gather when the cold wind blows down news

Of the marriage of the socialite's money to another one's land

And all but one will refuse to stand, yeah

He's just very ridiculed

And it's coming from the back row, side row, never-even-tried row

Nice man if you knew him well

I heard he owned a place called the Liberty Belle, yeah

[Chorus]

Well, is it easy?

I think I'll try it

'Cause it's the same old line

I find it liberating

Just to be so fine

Happens all the time

[Outro]

Well come on, come on, come on, come on, come on

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Boys in the Better Land

[Verse 1]

You're not alive until you start kicking

When the room is spinning and the words aren't sticking

And the radio is all about a runaway model with a face like sin and a heart like a James Joyce novel

[Pre-Chorus]

Saying "Sister, sister, how I missed ya, missed ya

Let's go wrist to wrist and take the skin off of the blister"

If you're a rockstar, pornstar, superstar, doesn't matter what you are

Get yourself a good car, get outta here

[Chorus]

Well

But the boys in the better land

You're always talking 'bout the boys in the better land

The boys in the better land

But the boys in the better land

You're always talking 'bout the boys in the better land

The boys in the better land

[Verse 2]

Driver's got names to fill two double barrels

He spits out "Brits out", only smokes Carrolls

And he's refreshing the world in mind, body and spirit

Mind body and spirit, you better hear it and fear it

Oh, that's the spirit

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In ár gCroíthe go deo

[Intro]

(In ár gCroíthe)

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Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

(In ár gCroíthe)

Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day
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(In ár gCroíthe)
Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

[Verse 1]

She defines the only answer
And I never had the time
She defines the only reason
For feeling
All in all is all we tailor
And they always have the best
And she defines the only reason
For feeling

[Chorus]

Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day
Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day
Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day
Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

[Verse 2]

She defines the only answer
And I never had the time
She defines the only reason
For feeling
All in all is all we tailor
And they always have the best
And she defines the only reason
For feeling, ah, ah

[Chorus]

Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

Gone is the day, gone is the night, gone is the day

Gone is the day, gone is the night

It's gone, it's gone, it's gone, it's gone, it's gone

(In ár gCroíthe)

(In ár gCroíthe)

[Verse 3]

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And I never had the time

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[Outro]

(In ár gCroíthe)

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Jackie Down the Line

[Intro]

Do-do-do

La-la-la

[Verse 1]

My friend Sally says she knows ya

Got a funny point of view

Says you've got away with murder

Maybe one time, maybe two

Something happens in the morning

When I can't see those failing eyes

I can't find a good word for ya

Does it come as a surprise?

[Chorus]

I don't think we rhyme

I will wear you down in time

I will hurt you, I'll desert you

I am Jackie down the line

[Verse 2]

Said did Sally 'bout a future

Before you bored of her as well

If all you want is entertainment

If you can't have it you make hell

[Pre-Chorus]

Don't make no odds for ye

To be told, yeah

Don't make no odds for ye

To be told, yeah

[Chorus]

I don't think we rhyme
I will wear you down in time
I will hurt you, I'll desert you
I am Jackie down the line
I don't think we rhyme
I will make your secrets mine
I will hate ye, I'll debase ye
I am Jackie down the line

Do-do-do

La-la-la

[Verse 3]

So come on down to Sally's boneyard
See her spirit in decline
See the handsome mourners crying
They hawked a beating heart for a sturdy spine, yeah

What good is happiness to me
If I've to wield it carefully?
For care I'll always come up short
It's only right

[Chorus]

I don't think we rhyme
I will wear you down in time
I will hurt ye, I'll desert ye
I'm one Jackeen of a line
I don't think we rhyme

I will take up all your time
I will chew ye, I'll go through ye
I am Jackie down the line
I don't think we rhyme
I will make your secrets mine
I will hate ye, I'll debase ye
I am Jackie down the line
And I will stone ye, I'll alone ye
I am Jackie down the line
If I can make you, I can break you
I am Jackie down the line
I am Jackie down the line

[Outro]

Do-do-do

La-la-la

I Love You

[Chorus 1]

I love you, I love you, I told you I do
It's all I've ever felt, I've never felt so well
And if you don't know it, I wrote you this tune
To be here loving you when I'm in the tomb
I've eddied the heart now, from Dublin to Paris
And if there was sunshine, it was never on me
So close, the rain, so pronounced is the pain
Yeah

[Chorus 2]

Well, I love you, imagine a world without you
It's only ever you, I only think of you
And if it's a blessing, I want it for you

If I must have a future, I want it with you
System in our hearts, you only had it before
You only open the window, never open up the door
And I love you, I love you, told you I do

[Verse 1]

Selling genocide and half-cut pride, I understand
I had to be there from the start, I had to be the fucking man
It was a clamber of the life, I sucked the ring off every hand
Had 'em plying me with drink, even met with their demands
When the cherries lined up, I kept the spoilings for myself
'Til I had thirty ways of dying looking at me from the shelf
Cloud-parting smile I had, a real good child I was
But this island's run by sharks with children's bones stuck in their jaws
Now the morning's filled with cokeys tryna talk you through it all
Is their mammy Fine Gael and is their daddy Fianna Fáil?
And they say they love the land, but they don't feel it go to waste
Hold a mirror to the youth and they will only see their face
Makes flowers read like broadsheets, every young man wants to die
Say it to the man who profits, and the bastard walks by
And the bastard walks by, and the bastard walks by
Say it to him fifty times and still the bastard won't cry
Would I lie?

[Chorus 3]

I love you, I love you, I told you I do
It's all I've ever felt, I've never felt so well
And if you don't know it, I wrote you this tune
To be here loving you when I'm in the tomb
System in our hearts, you only had it before
Echo, echo, echo, the lights, they go

The lights, they go, the lights, they go

Echo, echo

[Verse 2]

Selling genocide and half-cut pride, I understand

I had to be there from the start, I had to be the fucking man

It was a clamber of the life, I sucked the ring off every hand

Had 'em plying me with drink, even met with their demands

And I loved you like a penny loves the pocket of a priest

And I'll love you 'til the grass around my gravestone is deceased

And I'm heading for the cokeys, I will tell them 'bout it all

About the gall of Fine Gael and the fail of Fianna Fáil

And now the flowers read like broadsheets, every young man wants to die

Say it to the man who profits, and the bastard walks by

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On Twisted Ground

[Verse 1]

I can't watch it all

As it's left like this

So the moment folds

Into permanence

And the clouds amass

Not a breath of wind

But a final gasp

All engulfed within

[Verse 2]

Like a patch in time

The extent of this

Could erode outside
Of the evidence
For the question now
Will we always be
On the twisted ground
Of our horrid dreams?

[Chorus]

You could've watched it all
You could've watched it all
You could've watched it all
You could've watched it all
You could've watched it all

[Verse 3]

Where the answer lies
In a midst the waves
So erupts the tide
Upon which you sail
Oh, my dearest friend
How it came to this
With your searing end
Into the abyss

[Pre-Chorus]

In my experience
Of any permanence

[Chorus]

You could've watched it all
You could've watched it all

You could've watched it all

Don't Cling to Life

[Verse 1]

With all your chances gone awry
To be collected by your palms
If I had only stood aside
With dower sediment in hand
Forego delusion to disarm
Then dance around your lonely cave
In my relentless state of charm
Let's stay close for all our days

[Verse 2]

And as it banes deadly grip
The world collapses 'round my room
The water floats, the floor's adrift
Your eyes demand the darkest gloom
With hands held tight, it goes and goes
The light that once shot off the pale
A steady hand's return to stone
Let's stay close for all our days

[Pre-Chorus]

Failing this, let's dance and cry
Failing this, let's dance and cry
So we remember why we die
We remember why we die, yeah
Failing this, let's dance and cry
Failing this, let's dance and cry
So we remember why we die
We remember why we die

[Chorus]

Don't cling to life, don't cling to life

Don't cling to life, don't cling to life

There's nothing on the other side

There's nothing on the other side

Don't cling to life, don't cling to life

Don't cling to life, don't cling to life

There's nothing on the other side

There's nothing on the other side

Only Good Things

[Verse 1]

Jewels on the signs of streets with strange names that I've seen before

The sun and horizon collide in a way that's unnatural

You lie down beside me, we catch our day

Your eyes strip me, blindly I share with you my whole world

[Chorus]

Show me to think only good things, only good things

Show me to think only good things, only good things

[Verse 2]

Jewels in your eyes like Vega at night, it's a retrospect

All the magpies, they'd rob you blind if I'd written it

Have you written back?

You're shy now, beside you I'm in my head

Your eyes strip me, blindly I share with you my whole world

[Chorus]

Show me to think only good things, only good things

Show me to think only good things, only good things

[Post-Chorus]

How beautiful, how beautiful

How it's so beautiful, how beautiful

[Outro]

Jewels on the signs of streets with your name that I've seen before

The sun and horizon collide in a way that's so natural