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Everything is still Not a chicken not a body Just an awful sickenin' silence roarin' in my ears And the fog of death deepens and lies upon the land An ould wan rolls over on her back The grass stains all green upon her chin I can still hear her keenin' and screamin' in the wind

God's curse upon you Lord John Russell May your blackhearted soul rot in hell There's no love left on earth And god is dead in heaven In the dark and deadly days of Black 47

God's curse upon you Lord Trevalian May your great Queen Victoria rot in hell 'Til England and its Empire Answer before heaven For the crimes they committed in Black 47 Paudie says "c'mon now Don't look back, she's not livin', she's a phantom And she'll curse us if we look into her eyes" Oh God, I must be dyin' - the fever's in me brain For can't you see that pack of children up ahead The beards of old men sproutin' from their chins Can't you hear their screams of hunger on the wind

Oh darlin' Paudie save me I think I'm sinkin' fast, me blood is boilin' Don't let me die here in a ditch If the hunger doesn't get me - the fever surely will So Paudie picked me up and threw me 'cross his shoulders He nursed me everyday 'til we reached Amerikay Screamin' and shoutin' like a madman at the wind

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