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Celtic Thunder "Isle Of Hope"

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On the first day on January, Eighteen ninety-two, They opened Ellis Island and they let The people through. And the first to cross the treshold Of that isle of hope and tears, Was Annie Moore from Ireland Who was all of fifteen years.

CHORUS:

Isle of hope, isle of tears, Isle of freedom, isle of fears, But it's not the isle you left behind. That isle of hunger, isle of pain, Isle you'll never see again But the isle of home is always on your mind.

In a little bag she carried All her past and history, And her dreams for the future In the land of liberty. And courage is the passport When your old world disappears But there's no future in the past When you're fifteen years

Chorus

When they closed down Ellis Island In nineteen fourty-three, Seventeen million people Had come there for sanctuary. And in Springtime when I came here And I stepped onto it's piers, I thought of how it must have been When you're fifteen years.

Chorus

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