

## Levellers "Fifteen Years"

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I never was a violent man  
Said the man in the bar with his head in his hands  
He's trying his best to understand the 'cause of his  
dismay  
But the years of gin have broken him  
They've left him cold where he's fitted in  
But it's too late now to turn around and find another  
way

And the lights in the late night lock-in  
Have faded away when he gets in  
The girl from fifteen years ago  
Has packed and gone away

That's never how it used to be, what happened to all  
that energy  
You took one too many liberties, I'm tired of being  
afraid  
So after the fight she took flight hiding swollen eyes  
and a wounded pride  
The best years of her life denied is sold for liquid  
shares

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And the victims of their world  
Are advertised on posters  
Just a beach and a pretty girl  
You just take this potion

It's another week till his check comes through  
He's got a fiver left to spend on food  
The doors of the bar are open and he breaks another  
rule  
But he sits on the stool that bears his name  
He's got a favorite glass an' is called the same  
He's never been kept waiting, 'cause he pays the  
landlord's wage

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