

The Prodigals "Quart Of Gin"

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See the raindrops start to fall, the man with
outstretched hand
See your dreams unravelling and nothing goes as
planned
Cabs go by and you heave a sigh as you dream of a
girl long gone
And all you see's a cup of tea when the whole long day
is done.
Cheer up, chin up, dry up your tears and stick your
head in sand
Walk away and talk away for what's to understand
The house is cold and the roof is old, the roof might
well give in
But we don't give a damn we've a slice of ham and a
quart of cork dry gin.

Dry your eye when you start to cry
Lie down upon the settee
Light up your fag and you take a drag
And you sit and watch the TV.
Watch the sinners and the saints,
And the saints who fall in sin,
For the heart that breaks and the thousand aches
There's a quart of cork dry gin.

There's a ghost beside my window, there's a ghost
beside my bed
What I leave behind stays in my mind with the ghosts
inside my head
I lift my load, look down the road, and ahead, behind's
the same
When I start to run I've just begun to go the way I came.
At half-past-four they bar the door and the pub it
empties fast.
I'd rather stay than walk away to the shadows of the
past.
I hear their song and it's loud and strong, but I know
when they begin
That their serenade will quickly fade with a quart of
cork dry gin.

(chorus)

Willy was a little wild and he shot his neighbors dead
The lad was bad, but the judge was sad
And he wept as he shook his head
"My boy," says he, "there's clemency for many a venial
sin
But if this is true I sentence you to dine with the
cherebim."
"Well then, alas, it comes to pass that I must take my
rest
Lay me down into the ground with a bottle on me chest.
I'd like a tune sung 'neath the moon by a maiden sweet
and thin
And by my head when I am dead pour a quart of cork
dry gin."

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