Paddy Schmidt "THE FIELDS OF ATHENRY"

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By a lonely prison wall

I heard a young girl calling

"Michael they are taking you away

For you stole Travellyn´s corn

so that the young might see the morn´

Now the prison ship lies waiting in the bay"

By a lonely prison wall

I heard a young man calling

"Nothing matters, Mary,

when youÂ're free

Against the famine and the Crown

I rebelled, they ran me down

Now you must raise our child with dignity"

By a lonely harbour wall

she watched the last star falling

While the prison ship

sailed out against the sky

Sure she wait and hope and pray

for her love in Botany Bay

ItÂ's so lonely round the fields of Athenry

Low lie the fields of Athenry

Where once we watched

the small free birds fly

Our love was on the wing

we had dreams and songs to sing

ItÂ's so lonely Â'round the fields of Athenry

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