

Fishamble Street

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The musical score for 'Fishamble Street' is presented in four staves. The first two staves are in the key of G major (one sharp), and the last two staves are in the key of G minor (two flats). The time signature is 6/8. The chords are indicated above the notes. The first staff has chords G, Am, D7, G, G, C, D, G. The second staff has chords Em, Am, D, G, G, Am, D, G. The third staff has chords Cm, Gm, Gm, F, Gm. The fourth staff has chords Gm, F, Gm, Dm, Gm, Gm.

Fishamble Street is a little street near Dublin's Christ Church Cathedral that is remarkable for one thing: its 'Great Music Hall' was the site of the first performance of Handel's 'Messiah' in April 1742, a year prior to its first performance in London. It was expected to be a great success - in order to ensure room for everyone in the hall, gentlemen were requested not to wear swords and ladies not to wear hoops (good advice even today)! The 'Great Music Hall' is long gone, although the building evidently still remains (Wikipedia entry is somewhat ambiguous).

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T:Fishamble Street

C:© BB

F:095fish_st

R:jig

Q:160

M:6/8

L:1/8

K:G

Bl"G"dBG "Am"ecAl"D7"fdc "G"BAGl"G"DGB "C"EGcl"D"FA d "G"G2 el
"Em"b2 g "Am"a2 el"D"fga "G"gdcl"G"BGB "Am"ABcl"D"dAF "G"G2 :l
[K:Gm] dl"Cm"ede c2 el"Gm"dcd B2 fl"Gm"GAB "F"cdcl"Gm"dgg aggl
"Gm"b2 a "F"a2 fl"Gm"adc BAGl"Dm"ARc d^cdl"Gm"RGF "Gm"G2 :l