

***A MOTHER'S LOVE IS A BLESSING***

**AN [C] IRISH [G7] BOY WAS [G] LEAVING  
[F] LEAVING HIS NATIVE [C] HOME  
[F] CROSSING THE BROAD AT [C] LANTIC  
ONCE [F] MORE HE [DM] WISHED TO [G7] ROAM  
AND [C] AS HE WAS [G7] LEAVING HIS [C] MOTHER  
WHO WAS [F] STANDING AT THE [C] QUAY  
SHE [F] THREW HER [G] ARMS  
[C] AROUND HIS [AM] WAIST  
AND [DM] THIS TO [D7] HIM DID [G] SAY:**

***A [C] MOTHER'S [G7] LOVE'S A [C] BLESSING  
NO [F] MATTER WHERE YOU [C] ROAM  
[F] KEEP HER WHILE SHE'S [C] LIVING  
YOU'LL [DM] MISS HER [D7] WHEN SHE'S [G] GONE  
[C] LOVE HER [F] AS IN [C] CHILDHOOD  
THOUGH [F] FEEBLE OLD AND [C] GREY  
FOR YOU'LL [F] NEVER [G] MISS YOUR  
[C] MOTHER'S [AM] LOVE  
TILL SHE'S [DM] BURIED BE-  
[G] NEATH THE [C] CLAY***

**AND [C] AS THE [G7] YEARS GROW [C] OLDER  
I'LL [F] SETTLE DOWN IN [C] LIFE  
AND [F] CHOOSE A NICE YOUNG [C] COLLEEN  
AND [F] TAKE HER [DM] FOR MY [G] WIFE  
AND [C] AS THE [F] BABIES GROW [C] OLDER  
AND [F] CLIMB AROUND MY [C] KNEE  
I'LL [F] TEACH THEM  
THE VERY SAME [C - AM] LESSON  
THAT MY [DM] MOTHER [D7] TAUGHT TO [G] ME:**