**By a lonely prison wall,**

**I heard a young girl calling,**

**Michael they are taking you away**

**For you stole Trevelyn’s corn,**

**So the young might see the morn,**

**Now a prison ship lies waiting in the bay**

***Chorus***

***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***

***It’s so lonely round the fields of Athenry***

**By a lonely prison wall,**

**I heard a young man calling,**

**Nothing matters Mary when you’re free**

**Against the Famine and the Crown,**

**I rebelled they ran me down,**

**Now you must raise our child with dignity**

***Chorus (see above)***

**By a lonely harbour wall,**

**she watched the last star falling,**

**As that prison ship sailed against the sky,**

**Sure she’ll wait and hope and pray,**

**For her love in Botany Bay**

**It’s so lonely round the fields of Athenry**