Flogging Molly, Life In A Tenement Square

Well I kissed the day, I was on my way From those cold gray blocks of stone For seventeen years of squalor filled tears A time now with innocence lost

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With its rays filled with gloom
Turning all hope to despair
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That was Life in a Tenement Square

I remember the song where the rats sang along And danced for their daily bread While the damp washed the walls That were twenty feet tall Not a child in the house was fed On the porter filled face Of the men left a trace Of the coin they had already spent While our mothers asked God What was Hell ever for When you lived in a Tenement Square

Grab what's left of the coal
From the old cubbyhole
These cinders need more to be a fire
While the ghosts of the soldiers
That lived there before us
Laugh with their guns by their side
I hear them laugh, with their guns by their side

Now politicians they dwell In that forgotten Hell Our misery has been turned into muse Where the fat of the land Now hog, hand-in-hand A crime now of life was ever true

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