The Pogues, Sally MacLennane

(Shane MacGowan)

Well Jimmy played harmonica in the pub where I was born He played it from the night time to the peaceful early morn He soothed the souls of psychos and the men who had the horn And they all looked very happy in the morning

Now Jimmy didn't like his place in this world of ours Where the elephant man broke strong men's necks When he'd had too many Powers So sad to see the grieving of the people that he's leaving And he took the road for God knows in the morning

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The years passed by the times had changed I grew to be a man I learned to love the virtues of sweet Sally MacLennane I took the jeers and drank the beers and crawled back home at dawn And ended up a barman in the morning

I played the pump and took the hump and watered whiskey down I talked of whores and horses to the men who drank the brown I heard them say that Jimmy's making money far away And some people left for heaven without warning

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When Jimmy came back home he was surprised that they were gone He asked me all the details of the train that they went on Some people they are scared to croak but Jimmy drank until he choked And he took the road for heaven in the morning

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