

## A Nation Once Again

The Dubliners

When boyhood's fire was in my blood  
I read of ancient freemen  
Of Greece and Rome who bravely stood  
Three hundred men and three men  
And then I prayed I yet might see  
Our fetters rent in twain  
And Ireland long a province be a nation once again  
A nation once again, A nation once again  
And Ireland long a province be a nation once again

And from that time through wildest woe  
That hope has shown a far light  
Nor could love's brightest summer glow  
Outshine that solemn starlight  
It seem to watch abov' my head  
Through foreign fields and fame  
Its angel voice sang 'round my bed, A nation once again  
A nation once again, A nation once again  
And Ireland long a province be a nation once again

So as I grew from boy to man  
I bent me to my bidding  
My spirit of each selfish plan  
And cruel passion ridding  
For thus I hope some day to wake  
Nor can such hope be vain  
When my dear country shall be made A nation once again  
A nation once again A nation once again  
And Ireland long a province be a nation once again