

## Suffocate

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Paddy maintains we're all yellow inside, gun smoke got him and  
no mistake  
Sez he wants his car on the road, he can't even locate the brak  
es  
He'd give his kingdom for a drink he would, he'd sell his mothe  
r like he sold his blood  
Waiting for dole satisfies him, Paddy didn't even learn how to  
swim

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18 beats 21 you bet, it's all just a gag john, no sweat  
The old man says he still needs a hand and the neighbours only  
ever want cigarettes  
Drinks in the evening, everybody's emigrating  
Or planning for it any way, oh it's all the same old thing

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Come out of your Celtic twilight kids, join the bums down here  
by the bank  
We're all having a rare aul time, put another drop of the juice  
in the tank  
Rise there, Paddy, rise, forget your stupid pride  
Oh the state of us, what the hell is happening?

It's a hard life when grown men can't afford the price of a pac  
ket of ten

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