Minstrel Boy

Enter The Haggis

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And his wild harp slung behind him

"Land of song", cried the warrior bard
"Though all the world betrays thee
One sword at least thy roads shall guard
One faithful heart shall praise thee"

The minstrel fell but the foreman's sword Could not bring that proud soul under The harp he loved never spoke again For he tore its cords asunder

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