

The Night Pat Murphy Died

Great Big Sea

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As long as a bottle was passed around every man was feelin' gay

O'Leary came with the bagpipes, some music for to play

R: That's how they showed their respect for Paddy Murphy

That's how they showed their honour and their pride

They said it was a sin and shame and they winked at one another

And every drink in the place was full the night Pat Murphy died

2. As Mrs. Murphy sat in the corner pouring out her grief

Kelly and his gang came tearing down the street

They went into an empty room and a bottle of whiskey stole

They put the bottle with the corpse to keep that whiskey cold

R: That's how they showed...

3. About two o'clock in the morning after empty'ing the jug

Doyle rolls up the ice box lid to see poor Paddy's mug

We stopped the clock so Mrs. Murphy couldn't tell the time

And at a quarter after two we argued it was nine

R: That's how they showed...

4. They stopped the hearse on George Street outside Sundance Saloon

They all went in at half past eight and staggered out at noon

They went up to the graveyard, so holy and sublime

Found out when they got there, they'd left the corpse behind!

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