I met him on the motorway, said he was a free man And did I have a cigarette
He'd been all over travelling, looking for a little gold
He said with a laugh, I found nothing yet
He had to get out of Ireland
The police there they've got a lot of tricks
They give a dog a bad name You better believe that it always sticks

chorus:

And he was worried about the rain Lord, he'd never seen it rain so hard And I was thinking about that flame that burned in his heart

He'd heard about a job in London town
He hit the road from Liverpool
But if your name is Pat or Michael
Some men treat you like a fool
And he loved to hear old Brady sing
He knew all the words to Arthur Mc Bride
And when I put it on my stereo,
Old man broke right down and cried

He talked about a bar he knew in Dublin Lord, he wished we were there tonight And we talked about the travelling - Sooner or later we're gonna get it right When I left him on that same motorway, It was a bright cafe in a dark night And as I turned away to leave him He said, Lady Luck may she treat you right