

# I'll Settle For Old Ireland

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They sing about the hills of Oklahoma  
Or the big Swiss mountains where the yodelers call  
They sing about the black hills of Dakota  
But I'll settle for the hills of Donegal

With the homesick blues each Irish heart is hurtin'  
In London California Adelaide  
And while they're over searchin' for their fortune  
With a little happiness they've got it made

Those songs about the fairest of the sexes  
Or the belles of Tennessee I've heard before  
They sing about the yellow rose of Texas  
But I'll settle for the rose of Aranmore

They sing about the sun in California  
Or the pretty songs of Nashville, Tennessee  
They sing about the moon in Carolina  
But I'll settle for the cottage by the lee

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Those glossy magazines with pretty pictures  
Of continental gold and yellow sands  
But the homeland and her charms they can't depict them  
I'll settle for the shores of Ireland  
Yes I'll settle for the shores of Ireland