## **The Dubliners**

## **The Mero**

Somebody under the bed Whoever can it be? I feel so very nervous, I call for Joanie Joanie lights the candle but there's nobody there Hay-hi-diddly-I And out goes she

Skippin' ropes still turnin', Children at their play In and out of Catherine St, In and out to pray I haven't prayed for 20 years Or sung a happy song Since praying went with innocence And the divil played along

And we all went up to the Mero, Hey there who's your man? It's only Johnny 40 coats, Sure he's a desperate man

Bang Bang shoots the buses With his golden key Hay-hi-diddly-I And out goes she

Me father was a stater And me mother loved a tan She loved her ham and her sausages And her soldier fancy man

Nora's up in Jacobs, And Mary's on the town And I joined the transport union when they said me nose was brown

And we all went up to the Mero Hey there who's your man? It's Alfie Byrne out walking, Sure he's a dacent man

Bang Bang shoots the buses With his golden key Hay-hi-diddly-I And out goes she

I'm a tanner for the Mero And me compo money's hid If Mary's in the faffity way She can blame the Cisco kid I'll be langers in the mornin, Me longers need a patch Awh jaysus there's Con Martin I hope yis win the match

My Uncle had a wolfhound That never had to pee But Haylemon snatched it Down on Eden Quay

Now I have my primo And me scaffolders are blue For helping the black babies And Dolly Fosset too

And we all went up to the Mero Hey there who's your man It's Brendan Behan out walking Sure he's the ginger man

Bang Bang shoots the buses With his golden key Hay-hi-diddly-I And out goes she

It's true that Dublin's changing Since the pillar was blown down By the winds of violence that are buggering up the town We used to solve our difference With a diggin' match and a jar Now they're all playin' bang bang That's goin' too bleedin' far

And we all go up to the Mero Hey there who's yer man It's only me guardian angel Get a large one for yer man

There's no use bleedin' rushin' Sure now it's the holy hour A plenary indulgence And another baby power