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I saw the dagger eyes staring back at me I knew I'd never have a chance to plead Guilty, but in the sight of fallen men They bury you before you speak (The sin and the sentence)

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