WHILE HISTORY'S MUSE

Air: Paddy Whack

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WHILE HISTORY'S MUSE THE MEMORIAL WAS KEEPING
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OF ALL THAT THE DARK HAND OF DESTINY WEAVES,
                F -
         G
BESIDE HER THE GENIUS OF ERIN STOOD WEEPING
   Am - Dm
                   C
FOR HERS WAS THE STORY THAT BLOTTED THE LEAVES
  C - F C
BUT OH, HOW THE TEARS IN HER EYELIDS GREW BRIGHT
   C - D7
                  G
WHEN AFTER WHOLE PAGES OF SORROW AND SHAME
     C - G F - C
SHE SAW HISTORY WRITE WITH A PENCIL OF LIGHT
    Am -
                   Dm C - F -
THAT ILLUMINED THE WHOLE VOLUME, HER WELLINGTON'S NAME
                              F -
    "HAIL, STAR OF MY ISLE," SAID THE SPIRIT ALL SPARKLING
      C - D7
    WITH BEAMS SUCH AS BREAK FROM HER OWN DEWY SKIES
        C - G F - C
    "THROUGH AGES OF SORROW DESERTED AND DARKLING
       Am - Dm C
    I'VE WATCHED FOR SOME GLORY LIKE THINE TO ARISE
        C - F C
    FOR THOUGH HEROES I'VE NUMBERED UNBLESSED WAS THEIR LOT
        C - D7
                             G
    AND UNHALLOWED THEY SLEEP IN THE CROSSWAYS OF FAME
      C - G F - C
    BUT OH, THERE IS NOT ONE DISHONORING BLOT
        Am - Dm C - F -
   ON THE WREATH THAT ENCIRCLES MY WELLINGTON'S NAME."
                        F -
YET STILL THE LAST CROWN OF THY TOILS IS REMAINING
  C D7
                  G
THE GRANDEST, THE PUREST, EVEN THOU HAS YET KNOWN
   C - G
                    F - C
THOUGH PROUD WAS THY TASK, OTHER NATIONS UNCHAINING
   Am - Dm
FAR PROUDER TO HEAL THE DEEP WOUNDS OF THY OWN
   C - F
AT THE FOOT OF THAT THRONE, FOR WHOSE WEAL THOU HAS STOOD
            D7
                          G
GO PLEAD FOR THE LAND THAT FIRST CRADLED THY FAME
        G
                         F -
AND BRIGHT O'ER THE FLOOD OF HER TEARS AND HER BLOOD
     Am - Dm
                   C - F - C C C
LET THE RAINBOW OF HOPE BE HER WELLINGTON'S NAME.
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