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The Lyrics

Old Solem's Ghost

The Cleveland Inn behind me and I was walking home I took a short cut o'er the moor when I suddenly felt alone The port had flowed like water and the summer night was warm Though I was tight I was fit for a fight as I swayed me way back home

Don't you hear the sound the Ghost of Solem rides Old Solem he will never get across the Moor tonight

I'd been walkin' for half an hour or more and come on by White Cross The lights went out in Commondale and I was getting lost Just then I thought I heard a sound like our old horse and cart I'm sure there was something out there in the summer night so dark

Then he was there in front of my eyes, a man on a pony and trap He turned and run straight through me sending shivers down my back My hair stood on end I was shakin' with fear surprised at what I saw The night the ghost of Solem rode out across the moor

Well don't you know I shook and I swore you know I nearly died I won't be out there on those moors the nights that Solem rides So if you hear the sound of a pony and trap get down out of sight And let the ghost of Solem passed as he rides home tonight

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