## Roddy McCorley

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When he last stepped up that street, his shinning pike in hand Behind him marched in grim array a stalwart earnest band For Antrim town, for Antrim town he led them to the fray And young Roddy McCorley goes to die on the bridge of Toome today

Up the narrow streets he boldly steps, smiling, proud and young Around the hemp rope on his neck his golden ringlets clung There was never a tear in his blue eyes, both sad and bright are they For young Roddy McCorley goes to die on the bridge of Toome today

There was never a one of all your dead more bravely fell in fray
Then he who marches to his fate on the bridge of Toome today
True to the last as we say goodbye he treads the upward way
And young Roddy McCorley goes to die on the bridge of Toome today