## **Eleventh Earl of Mar**

## **Genesis**

The sun had been up for a couple of hours Covered the ground with a layer of gold Spirits were high and the raining had stopped The larder was low but boy that wasn't all Eleventh Earl of Mar, couldn't get them very far Daddy, oh Daddy, you promisedOut on the road in the direction of Perth Backwards and forwards in a circle they went Found a city half open and ready to greet Those conquering heroes, with blisters on their feet Eleventh Earl of Mar, somehow got them all this far Daddy, you promised, you promisedSee the Stewart all dressed up He's got eyes in the back of his head Who came in a cockleshell boat That could only just float, couldn't even lift a sword Dressed too fine and smelling of wineDaddy you've got to go Here comes the bishop all dressed up He's gonna bless you if you're ready to pay One wave of his funny old stick There's a band of light across your eyesWaited a week still they hadn't appeared That glorious timing that everyone feared So they're riding along on the crest of a wave They're headed for London and that will be their grave Eleventh Earl of Mar, well he couldn't get them down that far Daddy, I'm waiting, I'm waitingTime to go to bed now, never seems too keen To be a guest now in a house of dreams Flying from a hillside, beckoning the trees A sailboat's awning, mimicking the breezeI'm fighting gravity falling My daddy won't let them get me A voice screams, seems to be calling The face turns, features are burning, ohDaddy, you've got to go See the fifteen going by,tell the lairds and the Lords They're running backwards today And once again you stand aloneBury your memories, bury your friends Leave it alone for a year or two Till the stories go hazy and the legends come true Then do it again, some things never end Eleventh Earl of Mar, won't be going very far You promised, you promised, you promised, Daddy

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