Iron Hand

Dire Straits

With all the clarity of dream The sky so blue, the grass so green The rank and file and the navy blue The deep and strong, the straight and trueThe blue line they got the given sign The belts and boots march forward in time The wood and the leather, the club and shield Swept like a wave across the battlefieldNow with all the clarity of dream The blood so red, the grass so green The gleam of spur on Chestnut flank The cavalry did burst upon the ranksOh, the iron will and iron hand In England's green and pleasant land No music for the shameful scene That night they said it had even shocked the queenWell alas, we've seen it all before Knights in armour, days of yore The same old fears and the same old crimes We haven't changed since ancient times

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