I Fought in a War

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I fought in a war and I left my friends behind me
To go looking for the enemy and it wasn't very long
Before I would stand with another boy in front of me
And a corpse that just fell into me, with the bullets flying roundAnd I reminded myself of the words you said when we were getting on
And I bet you're making shells back home for a steady boy to wear
Round his neck, well it won't hurt to think of you as if you're waiting for
This letter to arrive because I'll be here quite a whileI fought in a war and I left my friends behind me
To go looking for the enemy, and it wasn't very long
Before I found out that the sickness there ahead of me
Went beyond the bedsit infamy of the decade gone beforeI reminded myself of the words you said when we were getting on
And I bet you're making shells back home for a steady man to wear
Round his neck, well it won't hurt to think of you as if you're waiting for
This letter to arrive because I'll be here quite a whileI fought in a war, I didn't know where it would end
It stretched before me infinitely, I couldn't really think
Of the day beyond now, keep your head down pal, there's trouble plenty
In this hour, this day, I can see hope, I can see lightAnd I reminded myself of the looks you gave when we were getting on
And I bet you're making shells back home for a steady man to wear
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