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Planxty "Thousands Are Sailing"

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You brave Irish heroes where'er you may be I pray, stand a moment and listen to me Your sons and fair daughters are all going away And thousands are sailing to Americay

So good luck to those people and safe may they land They are leaving their country for a far distant strand They are leaving old Ireland, no longer can stay And thousands are sailing to Americay

Now the night before leaving they are bidding goodbye

And it's early next morning their hearts give a sigh They turn, kiss their mothers and then they will say

"Farewell, dear old father, we must now go away"

Oh I pity the mother who rears up the child And likewise the father who labors and toils To try to support them, he will work night and day And when they are reared up they will go away

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