

Folk Songs

"The Leaving of Liverpool"

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Farewell to Prince's Landing Stage

River Mersey, fare thee well

I am bound for California

A place I know right well

Chorus:

So fare thee well, my own true love

When I return united we will be

It's not the leaving of Liverpool that's grieving me

But my darling when I think of thee

I'm bound off for California

By the way of stormy Cape Horn

And I'm bound to write you a letter, love

When I am homeward bound

Chorus:

I have signed on a Yankee Clipper ship

Davy Crockett is her name

And Burgess is the Captain of her

And they say she's a floating Hell

Chorus:

I have shipped with Burgess once before

And I think I know him well

If a man's a seaman, he can get along

If not, then he's sure in Hell

Chorus:

Farewell to lower Frederick Street

Ensign Terrace and Park Lane

For I think it will be a long, long time

Before I see you again

Chorus:

Oh the sun is on the harbour, love

And I wish I could remain

For I know it will be a long, long time

Till I see you again

Chorus:

