

The leaving of Liverpool

Irish trad.

Musical score for 'The leaving of Liverpool' in C major, 4/4 time. The score consists of four staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chords are indicated above the notes. The lyrics are: 'Fare you well the Prin-ce's lan-ding stage, River Mersey, fare you well. I'm off to Ca - li - forn - i - a, a place I know right well. So fare you well, my own true love, when I return un - i - ted we shall be, It's not the lea-ving of Liver-pool that grie-ves me, but my dar-ling when I think of you.'

Fare you well the Prince's
landing stage,
River Mersey, fare you well.
I'm off to California,
a place I know right well.
So fare you well, my own true love,
when I return united we shall be,
It's not the leaving of Liverpool
that grieves me,
but my darling when I think of you.

Farewell to Lower Frederick Street,
Anson Terrace and Park Lane,
farewell, it will be some long time
before I see you again.
So fare you well, my own true love ...

The tug is waiting at the pierhead
to take us down the stream,
our sails are loose
and our anchor secure,
so I'll bid you good-bye once more.
So fare you well, my own true love ...

I'm off to California
by the way of the stormy Cape Horn,
I will send to you a letter, love,
when I am homeward bound.
So fare you well, my own true love ...

I've shipped on a Yankee clipper ship,
Davy Crockett is her name,
and Burgess is the captain of her,
and they say she's a floating shame.
So fare you well, my own true love ...

I'm bound away to leave you,
good-bye, my love, good-bye,
there ain't but one thing that
grieves me, that's leaving you behind.
So fare you well, my own true love ...