

Dear Old Donegal

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[D]It seems like only yesterday
I [G]sailed from out of [D]Cork
A wanderer from [E]Erin's isle
I landed in New [A]York
There [D]wasn't a soul to greet me
there
A [G]stranger on your [D]shore
But [G]Irish luck was [D]with me here
And riches came galore
And [G]now that I'm going back again
To [D]dear old Erin's isle
My friends will meet me on the pier
And [E]greet me with a smile
Their [D]faces, sure, I've almost forgot
I've [G]been so long a [D]way
But me mother will intro[E]duce them
all
And this to me will [A]say

[CHORUS]

Shake [D]hands with your Uncle Mike,
me boy
And [G]there's is your sister, Kate
Sure [D]she's the girl you used to swing
Down [E]by the garden gate
Shake [D]hands with all of the
neighbors
And [G]kiss the colleens [D]all
You're as [G]welcome as the
[D]flowers in May
To [E]dear old Donne[D]gal

[D]They'll give a party when I go
home
They'll [G]come from near and [D]far
They'll line the roads for [E]miles and
miles
With [E]Irish jaunty [A]cars
The [D]whiskey flow and we'll be gay
We'll [G]fill your hearts with [D]joy
The piper'll play an [E]Irish tune
To greet the Yankee [D]boy
We'll [G]dance and sing the whole
night long
Such [D]fun as never seen
The lads'll be decked in [E]corduroy
The colleens wearin' [D]green
There'll be thousands there that I never
saw
I've [G]been so long away
But me mother will intro[E]duce them
all
And this to me will [D]say

[REPEAT CHORUS]

[D]Meet Branigan, Fannigan, Milligan,
Gilligan
Duffy, McCuffy, Ma[A]lachy, Mahone
[D]Rafferty, Lafferty, Donnelly,
Connelly
Dooley, O'Hooley, Muldowney,
Malone
Madigan, Cadigan, Lanihan, Flanihan
Fagan, O'Hagan, O'Hoolihan, Flynn
Shanihan, Manihan, Fogarty, Hogarty
Kelly, O'Kelly, McGuinness, McGuinn

[REPEAT CHORUS]