

Dear friends and companions Jim McGonigle (James Eoghain)

Dear friends and companions come listen to me
Aye and raise up your voices this chorus with me
For the hour's fast approaching when I'm going away
And I'm going to leave you for many's a long day.

Chorus

Now here's a health to the company aye and one to my wee lass
We will drink and be merry all out of one glass
We will drink and be merry all grief to refrain
For we may or may never all meet here again.

Now here's a health to the wee girl that I love so well
Sure there's none in this wide world with her could excel
With a smile on her countenance as she sits on my knee
And I'll always remember her kindness to me.

Here's a health to the big ship now I see her on the dock
And I wish her safe landed without fear or shock
And I wish her safe landed in the land of the free
And I'll always remember your kindness to me.