Farewell to Carlingford

When I was young and in my crime I could wonder wild and free There was always a longing in my mind to follow the call of the sea:

So I sing farewell to Carlingford and farewell to Greenore, and I think of you both day and night, 'til I return once more,

And all of the stormy seven seas I have sailed before the mast And on e'vry voyage I'd ever made I swore it would be my last.

So I sing farewell to Carlingford and farewell to Greenore, and I think of you both day and night, until I return once more, 'til I return once more.

Now I have a girl named Mary Boyle, and she lives in Greenore And the foremost part that was in her mind was to keep me save on shore.

So I sing farewell to Carlingford and farewell to Greenore, and I think of you both day and night, until I return once more, 'til I return once more.

Now the landman's life all his own, he can go or he can stay
But when the sea gets in your blood when she calls you must obey

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(Tommy Makem)