Distant Land to Roam

Ralph Stanley

I remember very well

On one dark and dreary day

Just as I was leaving home

For a distant land to roamMother said (mother said)

My dear boy (my dear boy)

I hope I'll see you next year again

Fare you well (fare you well)

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So I left my dear old home

For a distant land to roamNow I wandered far away

From my home I've gone astray

Now I'm coming, coming home

Never more from thee to roamMother said (mother said)

My dear boy (my dear boy)

I hope I'll see you next year again

Fare you well (fare you well)

Fare you well (fare you well)

So I left my dear old home

For a distant land to roamNow these words she said to me

As she took me by the hand

If on earth we meet no more

May we meet at God's right handMother said (mother said)

My dear boy (my dear boy)

I hope I'll see you next year again

Fare you well (fare you well)

Fare you well (fare you well)

So I left my dear old home

For a distant land to roam

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