One evening fair as the sun was shining To Kilkenny I did ride I did meet with Captain Brady a tall commander by his side Then you are welcome Highland Paddy By my side you'll surely stand Hear the people shout for freedom We'll rise in the morning with the Fenian band Rise in the morning with the Fenian band In the mornin' we rose early Just before the break of dawn Blackbirds singing in the bushes Greetings to a smiling morn' Gather round me men of Ireland Gather Fenians gather round Hand to hand with sword and musket Spill the blood upon this holy ground Then you are welcome Highland Paddy By my side you'll surely stand Hear the people shout for freedom We'll rise in the morning with the Fenian band Rise in the morning with the Fenian band There's a glen beside the river Just outside Kilkenny Town There we met this noble captain Men lay dead upon the ground Then you are welcome Highland Paddy By my side you'll surely stand Hear the people shout for freedom We'll rise in the morning with the Fenian band Rise in the morning with the Fenian band There's a grave beside the river A mile outside Kilkenny Town There we laid our noble captain Birds were silent when this Fenian died All my life I will remember I'll remember night and day That once I rode into Kilkenny And I heard this noble captain say Then you are welcome Highland Paddy By my side you'll surely stand Hear the people shout for freedom We'll rise in the morning with the Fenian band Rise in the morning with the Fenian band