

Fiddler's Green

(Words and Music) John Conolly

As I walked by the dockside one evening so rare To view the still waters and take the salt air I heard an old fisherman singing this song Oh take me away boys, my time is not long

Chorus Dress me up in my oilskins and jumper No more on the docks I'll be seen Just tell my old ship-mates I'm taking a trip, mates And I'll see you someday in Fiddler's Green

Oh Fiddler's Green is a place I've heard tell Where the fishermen go if they don't go to Hell Where the weather is fair and the dolphins do play And the cold coast of Greenland is far, far away

Where the sky's always clear and there's never a gale Where the fish jump on board with a swish of their tail Where you lie at your leisure, there's no work to do And the skipper's below making tea for the crew

When you get back in dock and the long trip is through There's pubs and there's clubs and there's lasses there too Where the girls are all pretty and the beer is all free And there's bottles of rum growing from every tree

Oh I don't want a harp nor a halo, not me Just give me a breeze and a good rolling sea And I'll play my old squeezebox as we sail along With the wind in the rigging to sing me the song