

Olcott's Irish Serenade - song lyrics

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Katy, my darling, alone I am waiting.
Waiting and watching alone by the stile.
Why keep me here, while my heart is inside, dear?
So open your door, love, and give me your smile
You promised you'd meet me at eight, by the stile, dear.
Where are you now, when your lover is here?
Oh, come to me quickly, my heart it is yearning,
Yearning and waiting for you, Katy dear.

Ah, never fear, you'll be safe in my keeping,
I will guard o'er you, asleep or awake.
Nothing can harm you while my love's around you;
I'd lay down my life, Katy, for your dear sake
As true as the stars keeping watch thro' the long night.
Such will my faithful watch constantly be;
To cheer you, to guide you o'er life's stormy ocean.
Give me but that lot, and Joy waits for me.