



Though their eyes speak of depths  
filled with struggle and strife  
Their smiles below say I don't owe them my life

As the souls of the dead fill the space of my eyes  
And my boat listed over and tried to capsize  
I'm this far from drowning, this far from the sea  
I remember the living, do they think of me?  
When my bones in the ocean forever will be

Now that I'm staring down at the darkest abyss  
I'm not sure what I want, but I don't think it's this  
As my comrades call to stand fast and forge on

My Mother Told Me  
[chorus]  
My mother told me  
Someday I would buy  
Galley with good oars  
Sail to distant shores  
[chorus]  
[verse]  
Stand up on the prow  
Noble barque I steer  
(Steady) Steady course  
How many foe-men  
How many foe-men...  
[chorus x2]  
[verse]

e to the haven

When she dived down low (huh)

[chorus]

No line was cut, no whale was freed  
The captain's mind was not of greed  
And he belonged to the Whalemans' creed  
She took that ship in tow (nub)

[chorus]  
[da-da interlude]

For forty days or even more

He said, "Last time you was paid off,  
 "But I'll give you a chance  
 and I'll take your advance  
 And I'll send you to sea once more"  
 Once more, once more,  
 send you to sea once more  
 But I'll give you a chance  
 and I'll take your advance  
 And I'll send you to sea once more  
 I shipped onboard of a whaling barque  
 We were bound for the Greenland seas  
 Where cold winds blow  
 through frost and snow  
 Why lamata run would freeze  
 And worst to bear,  
 I'd no hard weather gear  
 As I'd spent all my money ashore

## Hoist the Colours

The King and his men  
stole the queen from her bed  
and bound her in her bones  
The seas be ours and by the powers  
Where we will we'll roam

[solo]  
Yo, ho, all hands,  
hoist the colours high  
Heave ho, thieves and beggars,  
never shall we die

[chorus]  
Yo, ho, haul together,  
hoist the colours high  
Heave ho, thieves and beggars,  
never shall we die

T'was on the field of Molly-Del-Ray  
Away Santiana!  
Well both his legs got blown away  
Along the plains of Mexico

[Chorus]

It was a fierce and bitter strife  
Away Santiana!

The general Taylor took him  
Along the plains of Mexico

[Chorus]

(There's Liverpool Pat in his tarpaulin  
 And Yankee John the pocket rat -  
 She would not wear and she would not  
 stay -  
 She shipped great seas both night and  
 day -  
 [Chorus]  
 It's rotten beef and weevily bread -  
 It was pump or drown the old man  
 said -  
 The sails all furled, our work is done -  
 and now ashore we'll take our rum -  
 [Chorus 2x]

We know our steam and diesels  
but what's a mainyard for?  
A stoker ain't a stoker with a shovel anymore

Don't haul on the rope, don't climb up the mast  
If you see a sailing ship it might be your last  
Just get your civvies ready for another run-ashore  
A sailor ain't a sailor, ain't a sailor anymore

Two cans of beer a day and that's your bleeding lot  
And now we've got an extra one because they

So we'll put on our civvy-clothes find a pub ashore  
A sailor's just a sailor just like he was before

[chorus x2]

The line went slack then tight once more  
All boats were lost, there were only four  
But still that whale did go (huh)

[chorus]

## Off To Sea

When first I landed in Liverpool,  
I went upon the spree  
With money at last, I spent it fast,  
I got drunk as drunk could be  
But when my money was all gone,  
it was then that I wanted more  
But a man must be blind to make up  
his mind to go to sea once more

Once more, once more,  
                   go to sea once more  
 But a man must be blind to make up  
                   his mind to go to sea once more

And as I walked down London road  
I met with a Rapper Brown  
I asked him if he'd take me in  
and he looked at me with a frown

I make sail for the dawn 'til the darkness has gone

As the souls of the dead live for'er in my mind  
As I live all the years that they left me behind  
I'll stay on the shore but still gaze at the sea

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