## April 15

It's cold out at sea Just me in my company North Atlantic breeze belies the ocean's might I'm down on my knees Gone are all of the dinghies I flail and I freeze No refuge in sight

Angry waves smash the bow into murky depths alow Hull cracks begin to show Still, there is no respite

The last swig of rum Accepting my fate to come Waiting, growing numb Forsaken to my plight

The skies were red this morn They did their best to warn Now I hear the Siren's Song in the ghostly light Storm petrels circle the sky sensing that the end is nigh No hope and no tears to cry I know I have lost this fight

I released my crew I asked no further of them for they'd done all that they could do Told them each for their own

I blessed them

that Lady Luck be true

Into distant dawn

'till they were out of sight ...

There's a feeling in my bones

crossing over twilight zones

to the locker of Davy Jones

It's time to say goodnight

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