(Over The Moonless Depths Of Night-Dark Seas)

THE LOG OF THE NORTHERN MARINER:

The great serpent-prow of my ship, Wave-

Render cleaves the nighted

Waters as we voyage across the dark, icy sea, towards the unkno  $wn \dots$ 

Above, the brigth winter's moon emerges from a veil of cloud to

Its lucent rays upon us, and a clinging, supine seamist writhers upon

The midnight waves, swirled by the colol, whispering wind which Catches our great sail, pushing us onwards, vever onwards... An d

Beyond the tang of the darkling sea, the scent of nights is as strong

And heady as summer blossom. I know not what awaits us at the e lder

Isle of Mists... that grim and mistery-

haunted place which beckons me

To it's shadowed embrace, swathed in dark legendry and etwined in the

Mantle of ancient sorceries... and yet I must hearken to it's e thereal

Call... for mayhap the gods have decreed this to be my final vo yage...