## Sevengill (Notorynchus Cepedianus)

**Giant Squid** 

Down here I wait with all my benthic friends Underneath the gate listening to lives end Those with seven gills will investigate each thunderous crash a nd corresponding shape In great detail, I described you to them In case the bridge is how you choose to end I'd like to have some last words with you before you end up on the Farallone's rocky shores Where the real beasts await to have their way With all the failures washed out from the bay A hundred years have past since just last autumn Please come to the bay, see who now lives on the bottom I'd like to have some last words before I forget how to walk up on these muddy shores and entirely cease to breathe like a man Seeing things only with the tips of my hands My heart is crushed by the jaws of regret Upon knowing where you now make your bed The depths at which I've chained to you I pray those shackles eventually rust through Held under by chiton like lies Amongst the corpses I'll never surface Debris bouncing off my hide Covered in detritus I've lost purpose What comfort lies in years of hating me? Haven't you in some way found a rare peace? Please realize your very soul's at stake you're still a man and I was just a tool of fate Your bite marks riddled my soul It got damn cold with all those holes So I left it on shore for all the gulls Take it There wasn't much left Take it Bit it's all yours Take it Down here I wait with all my benthic friends

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