

Yankee Sailor

Great Big Sea

We were poor
But I was satisfied
And I thought that you were, too

You were pure
And I was terrified
I wasn't good enough for you

When they sailed
Into the harbour
I could see it in your eyes

I knew
That you were dreaming
Of leaving me behind

You say "America is beautiful"
And I sure hope you're right
If I could see you across the water
I'd say "America is beautiful tonight"
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When I met
That Yankee sailor
He stood tall and shook my hand

He took pleasure
In the moment
In the measure of a man

Then he turned
And left me standing
And he asked you out to dance

But when you met
That Yankee sailor
I knew I didn't stand a chance

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