A Salty Dog

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All hands on deck We've run afloat I heard the captain cry Explore the ship Replace the cook Let no one leave alive Across the straits Around the horn How far can sailors fly A twisted path Our tortured course And no one left alive

We sailed for parts Unknown to man Where ships come home to die No lofty peak Nor fortress hold Could match our captain's eye

Upon the seventh sea sick day We made our port of call A sand so white And seas so blue No mortal place at all

We fired the gun And burned the mast And rowed from ship to shore The captain cried We sailors wept Our tears were tears of joy How many moons And many Junes Have passed since we made land A salty dog The seaman's log Your witness, my own hand