The Traitor

The morning air does compel you To float down the spiral stairs Spanish-blue stockings yawning And the ashes in the air Oh Captain, you ask yourself I miss her of the raven hair What future did you behold When you stole me away from there When you stole me away from there

She of the bloom and frost Of cucumber and olive oil She of the spring I've lost To the song of the nightingale Well, the penitent man will be forgiven But the black-hearted will rot So oh golden king forgive me For not being what I'm not For not being what I'm not

The captain says he won't answer From his throne of light and pearls Your grotesque, shrouded body That you loathe and you love Is just an accident only you can bear You're invisible and as wild as the sea And you hurt what you hold most dear You're the traitor, and you are me Sea Wolf