

## A Challenge (The Wanderer)

The Skids

I  
The wanderer told me  
Of galleon shores  
    how mystery beckons  
    while fire lights close  
He spoke of danger in unholy men  
The eye of the lion who looks over men

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge

II  
The wanderer left me  
Excited by need  
    To run from the mountains  
    and take to the shores  
He swore an oath  
To journey afar  
    holding his head high  
    drenched in fatigue

III  
I watched from a distance  
The manner of his way  
    and fought for a reason  
    to which I could remain  
I gathered the soil  
The fodder of my feed  
    and ran from the mountains  
    the honeycombe of seed.

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge  
    hi ho.

IV  
I took to the ocean  
Affection of the sea  
    the roaring of winds  
    the blessing of my plead  
Gales held a warning  
Of what lay ahead  
    the signs of a strange land  
    those mysteries of sea

V  
I braved through the storm  
Resolute in fright  
    and leapt at the landing  
    no caution in sight  
A fire on the sea shore  
Defiant to the last  
    desire took control  
    the famine and the fast

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge  
hi ho.

VI

I seen in the distance  
The wanderer so bold  
the might and the standing  
a journey for the true  
I boasted of my glory  
An action of the brave  
he laughed and he shunned  
and turning with disdain

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge  
hi ho.

VII

The parasite within me  
Drowned among the flak  
releasing my bravado  
the stunt of my attack  
The wanderer soon left me  
Alone, the sunken plume  
widower of a mountain  
so sullen and so soon

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge

VIII

I dreamed of a mountain  
High above the sea  
the guardian of beauty  
custodian of free  
Take me home, I'm weary  
Sentinel of sea.  
The danger of a journey  
oh sea, the sea, I see.

I've never seen anything  
I've wanted to sail  
Give unto me, a challenge  
hi ho.