Jennifer's Veil

The Birthday Party

So you've come back for Jennifer
You know, she hides her face behind a veil
And I'm warning you Frankie, leave on the next train
Your Jennifer she just ain't the sameThey quit waving that thing around
Oh come back, oh come back
And give me a chance to explain
Your baby will never cry againSo don't try to reach out
And don't let the ship's flag down
Point the figure-head at the storm
And drive her hard uponDon't stop and don't stop
And don't let the veil drop
Another ship ready to sail
The rigging is tight like Jennifer's veilShe drew the curtain on her face
Ever since they came and burnt the old place down
And why is she searching through the ashes?
Why, only Jennifer knows that now
And the officer, without a word
Left all his junk and just moved outSo don't try to reach out
And don't let the ship's flag down
Point the figure-head at the glass
Smash, smash, into shardsDon't stop and don't touch
And don't let the veil drop
Behind Jennifer's veilOh God, Frankie is that really you
Oh, get back, don't reach out
Get back
And get that lantern out of my roomAnd don't try to reach out
And don't let the ship's flag down
Down, down over her, like a shroud
And let her sail on the sea like a stoneDon't touch and don't touch
And don't let the veil drop
Another ship ready to dock
The rigging comes loose like Jennifer's veil

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