## The Land

## **Bathory**

This land is mine to the end of time

None it shall claim or conquer

The mountains high: the endless sky

The forests and the seaOh land rejoice: your son has sailed

Beyond the seas : adventurous trail

Now heading north: to Asa Bay

My place of birth: home of the braveA man he may wither away

Or die in battle with sword in hand

But the river will flow and the wind will blow

Forever across my northern landThis land is mine to the end of time

None it shall claim or conquer

The mountains high: the endless sky

The forests and the seaOh fatherland: oh Northstar high

Two hundred days and night have I

Been away from you my hearts most dear

Returning home: great wealth to shareWork those oars: the wind is still

No southern breeze our sail to fill

The dusk is here and our bay is far

The Dragon soon to sweep the night

So work these oars an Sorsemen: brother's rowThe land where deep in heavy turf the bones and crushed skulls testify

The violent times and troubled days when land was claimed

And paid for in blood and human livesThe land where gold of star will glow in silvery water

And on black wings high the ravens soar above

The glade where as child I was baptized in fire and ice

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