Boots of Spanish Leather

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Oh, I'm sailing away, my own true love I'm sailing away in the morning

Is there something I can send you from across the sea?

From the place where I'll be landing? There's nothing you can send me, my own true love

There's nothing I'm wishing to be owning

Just carry yourself back to me unspoiled

From across that lonesome oceanOh, but I just thought you might want something fine

Maybe silver or of golden

Either from the mountains of Madrid

Or from the coast of BarcelonaIf I had the stars of the darkest night

And the diamonds from the deepest ocean

I'd forsake them all for your sweet kiss

That's all I wish to be owningOh, I might be gone a long ol' time

And it's only that I'm asking

Is there something I can send you to remember me by?

To make your time more easy passing? How can, how can you ask me again?

Well it only brings me sorrow

Oh, the same thing I would want today

I would want again tomorrowOh, I got a letter on a lonesome day

It was from his ship a-sailing

Saying, I don't know when I'll be coming back again

It depends on how I'm feelingIf you, my love, must think that away

I'm sure your mind is a-roaming

I'm sure your thoughts are not with me

But with the country where you're goingSo take heed, take heed of the western wind

Take heed of stormy weather

And yes, there is something you can send back to me

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