## **Tobacco**

## **Zefiro Torna**

Off to hell we must sail for the shores of sweet Barbados

Where the sugar cane grows taller than the God we once believed in

The butcher and his crown raped the land we used to sleep in

Now tomorrow chimes of ghostly crimes that haunt Tobacco Island'Twas 1659 forgotten now for sure

They dragged us from our homeland wit' their musket and their gun

Cromwell and his round heads battered all we knew

Shackled hopes of freedom, we're now but stolen goods

Dark is the horizon, blackened from the sun

This rotten cage of Bridgetown is where I now belongOff to hell we must sail for the shores of sweet Barbados

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Now tomorrow chimes of ghostly crimes that haunt Tobacco IslandRed leg down a peg blistered burns the soul

The floggings they're a plenty but reasons there are none

Our backs belong to landlords where branded is their name

Paid for with ten shillings cheap labor never breaks

The silver moon is shinin', cools the copper blood

Where the livin' meet the dead and together dance as oneOff to hell we must sail for the shores of sweet

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Now tomorrow chimes of ghostly crimes that haunt Tobacco IslandAgony, will you cleanse this misery?

For it's never again I'll breathe the air of home

From this sandy edge

The rolling sea breaks my revenge

With each whisper a thousand waves I hear roar

I'm coming homeDark is the horizon

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