## No Place Like London

## **Stephen Sondheim**

I have sailed the world, beheld its wonders
From the Dardanelles to the mountains of Peru
But there's no place like London!
I feel home againI could hear the city bells ring
Whatever I would do
No, there's no place like London!Mr. Todd, sir
You are young

Life has been kind to you

You will learnSo Antony, it is here we go our several ways
Farewell, I shall not soon forget the good ship bountiful
Nor the young man who saved my lifeAlms, alms for a miserable woman
On a miserable chilly mornin'

Oh, thank you, sir, thank youHow would you like a little squiff, dear A little jig-jig, a little bounce around the bush Wouldn't you like to push me crumpet?

It looks to me, dear, like you've got plenty there to pushAlms, alms for a pitiful woman What's got wandering wits

Hey, don't I know you, mister? Must you glare at me, woman?

Off with you, off I say

Then how would you like to fish me squiff, Mister?

We'll go jig-jig, a little

Off I said to the devil with you! Alms, alms for a desperate woman Pardon me, sir But there's no need to fear the likes of her

She's only a half-crazed beggar woman

London's full of themThere's a hole in the world like a great black pit

And the vermin of the world inhabit it

And it's morals aren't worth what a pig can spit

And it goes by the name of LondonAt the top of the hole sit the privileged few

Making mock of the vermin in the lower zoo

Turning beauty into filth and greed

I too have sailed the world and seen its wonders

For the cruelty of men is as wondrous as Peru

But there's no place like London

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