Dead Men and Sinners (Album Version)

Murder By Death

We set out for the sea with icicles in our beards Where the wind bit like dog's teeth

And the sea swept our ship

Like the hand of a God who had been enragedSo we carried our dead to the shore

And that left nine more

There was violence in the air tonight

When the ship split in halfWe lost two to the brine

And the seawater swilled across the floor

And the captain lives no more

For he sleeps on the ocean floorThe old bastard was as big as a bear

And his coffin was made of a redwood's trunk

His appetite never thinned

His belly was wide as two barrels of ginCut the engine, tie it off to the post

Heave away at my call listen well, one and all

We'll be rid of this scourge

When his body goes overboardHe'd been in irons for seventy days

Fed just gunpowder to fuel his rage

Screamed bloody murder and tore at his chains

We've made him this wayWe were left on that isle with a skeleton crew

Made of dead men and sinners

Hell bound through and through

Then it was he who came to our shore and he left no more

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