The Bellman

Crescent Shield

"The Chorus" Curse the hand of the man With the bell he doth ring One did tell me

"The Young" Old man with traveler's hands Scarred by age and salt of the sea Tell me, warn thee your tales Of cried from the ocean's abide

"The Bellman" You fallow lads with smoother hands Beware the beyond sea The sun does not quite follow The skies of the water you seek

Sunsets sadden Mornings terrify!

On and on from the shores they do go With their hearts and minds one way do they know My bell will ring And they will sing A song I did too once sing

Mercator's Poles and Meridian Lines The stars will guide, the sun will time The winds of trade will guide the way To the unknown and then Home

Hold my hand and stay With me listen to what I warn you For so long am I imprisoned To these streets of ports call Still they sail, hence I raise My bell and strike its chime of fate!

On and on from the shores we do go With our hearts and minds one way do we know Our bell will ring, And we will sing The song we always dreamed to sing Mercator's Poles and Meridian Lines The stars will guide, the sun will time The winds of trade will guide the way To the unknown and then

Solo

Unseen or heard is the ghost Of the Bellman we know

Unless you're the fool who Is doomed from the moment you sail

Once was he the arrogant Bellman ago

Cursed to live on to call The cry of the fell

Cursed be the hand of the man With the bell he doth ring

Death to you all whose Warnings you never did heed

Beware of the shivering bell When you set forth to sea

For it rings the chime of fate!