

There Lies a Ship

$\text{♩} = 144$

The musical score is written on three staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 144. The melody is primarily in the treble clef, with some notes in the bass clef. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

There lies a ship in harbour, just ready to set sail
'Crying 'Heaven shall be my guard, my love, till I return again
Till I return again
Heaven shall be my guard, my love, till I return again'

Says the old man to the daughter, 'what makes you so lament?'
'Oh the lad that you have sent to sea, he can give my heart content
Can give my heart content
The lad that you have sent to sea, he can give my heart content'

'So if that's your inclination', the old man did reply
'I hope he will continue there and on the seas may die
And on the seas may die
I hope he will continue there and on the seas may die'

When seven long years were over and ten long tedious days
She saw his ship come sailing in with her true love o'er the wave
With her true love o'er the wave
She saw his ship come sailing in with her true love o'er the wave

'Yonder sits my angel, she's waiting there for me
Tomorrow to the church we'll go and married we will be
Married we will be
Tomorrow to the church we'll go and married we will be'

When we had been into the church and turning back again
We met her honoured father and several gentlemen
And several gentlemen
We met her honoured father and several gentlemen

He says, 'my dearest daughter, five hundred pounds I'll give
If you'll forsake that sailor lad and come with me to live
And come with me to live
If you'll forsake that sailor lad and come with me to live'

'No, it's not your gold that glitters, nor yet your silver that shines
I'm married to the lad I love and I'm happy in my mind
I'm happy in my mind
I'm married to the lad I love and I'm happy in my mind'