

# The Deader

## Two Gallants

So now let me tell you about this girl of mine  
Heart like all men's dreams in the days of '49  
I turn hollow no me more swallow this fast only she breaks  
But distance keeps her miles or meters what difference does it make 'Cause here they come  
again to repossess my dreams  
Child don't play yourself, things are never what they seem  
A bridge a river a pale moon sliver, city shines so bright  
But to my despair I wake up where they sleep out every night And the girl I love is oh, so far  
away  
I wonder can she hear me as I go through my day Oh, now the raging sea she laps upon my door  
I'll round a thousand horns just to drown upon her shore  
Blood red roses, go down Moses, oh billowing sails  
Those so weak-willed guts all sea-filled thrown them o'er the rails  
Boys tighten up the jib and sing a hearty song  
We been driftin', driftin', for far too long  
I take no care me I'm so bare-breasted on the bow  
Scabbed and wheathered, skin of leather who's the deader now But the girl I love is oh so, oh so  
far away  
I wonder can she hear me as I go through my day  
It's so long lady angel, I guess I'll say goodbye  
But I do believe I'm aging right before your eyes Wash up on her coast, not a nickel to my name  
Sold my, sold my, sold my gold watch and chain  
Enough to hire a band of liars to march me on my way  
Through hills and valleys sugar ditch alleys up to her open gate The girl I love is oh so, oh so far  
away  
I wonder can she hear me as I go through my day  
It's so long lady angel, I guess I'll say goodbye  
But I do believe I'm aging right before your eyes  
Cock crow in the morning, heard it loud and clear  
Ask her for to marry, she answers with a tear  
"Boy you have my heart and you know you always will  
But that ain't enough to hold me 'cause love don't pay the bills." I turned away in shame for all  
my days in vain  
Guess I'll just drag on, no one loves you till you're gone  
Let the river be my guide, let the desert be my bride  
Till my heart turns to steel, till I no longer feel That the girl I love is oh so, oh so far away  
I wonder can she hear me as I go through my day  
It's so long lady angel, I guess I'll say goodbye  
But I do believe I'm aging right before your eyes

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