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## 7 *turnagain coat*

went to sea at the age of seven, grew up a cabin boy  
by sixteen I was on the *Hunter*, living the sailor's joy

ride the wave when the tide comes in, float back on the boat  
take the side with righteous pride, wearing a turnagain coat

*hey ho hey ho*

in 76 I was one of the picks for the 3<sup>rd</sup> voyage of Cook  
and I named Alaskan waters when he made me take a look  
he died in the sandwich isles when the natives made attack  
so I took over the *Resolution* and guided her on back

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that chapter took up four years, and in the coming four  
I was at Dogger Bank and Gibraltar in the Fourth Anglo-Dutch War  
then royal navy jobs dried up, the echelons did freeze  
with the final capitulation to the american colonies

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in retrospect, the job I got was one you wouldn't choose...  
but I took Fletcher Christian along on my first breadfruit cruise  
and even though he mutinied and sailed off to Pitcairn  
I made a 2<sup>nd</sup> breadfruit cruise cuz some people never larn

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then the war against Batavia, and more battles at sea  
I fought them hard and in reward, gold medals came to me  
next I sailed down under, governor of New South Wales  
but the rum rebellion mutineers tried to throw me in their jails  
but when you are a sailor, no landlocked jails can contain ya.  
I sailed from Sydney down to Hobart on the *Porpoise* to Tasmania.

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I was court-martialed a couple more times, but always was acquitted,  
singing my songs of the open sea and the faroff lands visited.

I was a sailor around the world – my trips were legendary  
and Jules Verne wrote a book in French among the many many many...

Mel Gibson played the mutineer, and he's young and hot and such,  
But Sir Anthony Hopkins played my part, thank you very much.