

# Marc Almond, Gyp The Blood

And here I sit  
A cowardly boy  
Adventure only dreams

A captain of  
A pirate ship  
A million crimson themes

I wish to be  
Content you see  
To take the softer seat

To summon gut  
To play the slut  
My bass drum for to beat

Hey!

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Skull and crossbones to the breeze  
A heave ho to depart

But it happened that  
There came a ghost  
To visit on my soul

I coloured him  
From picture books  
With eyes as rich as gold

A ghost who would  
Embody  
All my sickly frame would be

A hero  
And a challenger  
Of heart and spirit free

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And gyp the blood  
And I retook  
The world upon our backs

And we drank from dawn  
To dusk  
How the warm breeze took our drags

For we had the reins  
On europe we  
Had our anger like a flame

The balls to fight  
The system  
And the nerve to win the game

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So purity  
I would spit upon  
All saintly sights be damned

For it seems correct  
To kill and steal  
To be a proper man

I find myself  
Full up with hate  
To lose it on the world

An eye for deeds  
Of darker shade  
And a lip so wickedly curled

A skull encrusted  
Captains hat  
Fell down upon my brow

I gathered all  
My hopes and schemes  
All wisdom for to know

And rip the shirts  
I wore around  
My shoulders like a robe

Dark ermine trim  
And tainted grin  
Grim warnings to forbode

And all the love within me  
Would be churned for something sour  
My angels tongue ripped from my throat  
And tortured by the hour

For I have no time to learn  
For love wounds me with its touch  
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