

Oh, the wind is free an' we're bound for the sea

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

The lassies are wavin' to you an' to me

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#):

*Sing, me lads, cheerily*

*Heave, me lads, cheerily*

*Heave away cheerily o-ho!*

*For the gold that we prize an' for sunnier skies*

*Away to the south'ard we go!*

They're shoutin' goodbye, an' the gals they do cry

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

So sing up, me darlin's, an' wipe yer tears dry

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

They're cryin', Come back, my dear John an' dear Jack

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

There's water in front an' no door at the back

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

But we're Johnnies bold who can work for our gold

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

An' stand a good dousin' wi'out catchin' cold

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

The gals to the south'ard are bully an' fine

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

When we gits to Melbourne we'll have a good time

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

A John he is true to his Sal an' his Sue

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

So long as he's able to keep 'em in view

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

We'll heave her up, bullies, an' run her away

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

We'll soon be a'headin' out on a long lay

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

They're crying, 'Come back, my dear sailor in blue

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

For no one can fill the place vacant by you'

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

They love us for money, whoever he be

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

But when it's all gone we are shanghaied to sea

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)

Then sing, 'Goodbye Sally, your wonders I'll tell

Chorus: Heave away cheerily o-ho!

But when with another, I'll wish you in hell

Chorus: As off to the south'ard we go... [KOR](#)