

Key: A modal
Tuning: AEADE

Based on the version by
The Gloucester Hornpipe and Clog Society

The Diamond

Break/Intro

Handwritten musical notation for the Break/Intro section. It consists of three staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation includes various notes, rests, and fingerings (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9). There are also some 'x' marks and a 'p' (piano) marking. The second staff has a bass clef and continues the melody. The third staff has a treble clef and continues the melody. The word 'The' is written at the end of the third staff.

Verse

Handwritten musical notation for the Verse section. It consists of three staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation includes various notes, rests, and fingerings (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9). There are also some 'x' marks and a 'p' (piano) marking. The second staff has a bass clef and continues the melody. The third staff has a treble clef and continues the melody. The lyrics are written below the staves: "Dia - mond is a ship me boys for the da - vis Strait she's bound and the quay it is all gar - nished with the bonn - ie lass - es round".

Chorus

Handwritten musical notation for the Chorus section. It consists of three staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notation includes various notes, rests, and fingerings (e.g., 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9). There are also some 'x' marks and a 'p' (piano) marking. The second staff has a bass clef and continues the melody. The third staff has a treble clef and continues the melody. The lyrics are written below the staves: "And it's cheer up me lads let your hearts never fail for the Bonn - ie ship the dia - mond's gone fish - ing for the whale".

The Diamond – Lyrics

Verse 1

'The Diamond' is the ship, me boys
For the Davis Strait we're bound
And the quay it is all garnished
With the bonnie lasses 'round

Verse 2

Captain Thompson gives the orders
To sail the ocean wide
Where the sun it never sets, me lads
Nor dark clouds fill the skies

Chorus

And it's cheer up, me lads
Let your hearts never fail
For the bonny ship 'The Diamond' goes
A-fishin' for the whale

Verse 3

Along the quay at Peterhead
The lasses stand around
With their shawls all pulled about them
And their salt tears runnin' down

Verse 4

Now, don't you weep, my bonny lass
Though you'll be left behind
For the rose will bloom on Greenland's ice
Before we change our minds

Chorus

And it's cheer up, me lads
Let your hearts never fail
For the bonny ship The Diamond's goes
A-fishin' for the whale

Verse 5

Here's a-health to the Resolution
Likewise the Eliza Swan
Here's a-health to the Battler of Montrose
And the Diamond ship of fame

Verse 6

We wear the trousers of the white
And the jackets of the blue
When we return to Peterhead
We'll have sweethearts anew

Chorus

And it's cheer up, me lads
Let your hearts never fail
For the bonny ship 'The Diamond' goes
A-fishin' for the whale

Verse 7

Well it'll be bright both day and night
When Greenland lads come home
With a ship that's full of oil, me boys
And money to our names

Verse 8

We'll make the cradles for to rock
And the blankets for to tear
And every lass in Peterhead sing
"Hushabye, my dear"

Chorus

And it's cheer up, me lads
Let your hearts never fail
For the bonny ship 'The Diamond'
goes
A-fishin' for the whale