

BALLANTRAE

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SEE THE BILLOWS RISE AND FALL  
RIDE THE SWELL AND GRIP THE RAIL  
SAIL TOWARDS THE OPEN BURST OF DAY  
SHADOWS RACE AGAINST THE BOW  
DARKNESS IS BEHIND YOU NOW  
UP AHEAD THE LIGHTS OF BALLANTRAE

SEE THE SOLID AILSA ROCK  
GUARDIAN AGAINST THE WAVES  
MIGHTY CRAG THAT KEEPS THE HORDES AT BAY  
IRISH HILLS ARE TO THE STERN  
TURN YOUR CHEEK AGAINST THE WIND  
FEEL THE CHILL AND LOOK TO BALLANTRAE

PEOPLE TELL YOU THAT BLOOD IS THICKER THAN WATER  
DON'T FORGET IT NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO  
WHEN THERE'S BAD BLOOD AND BROTHER TURNS AGAINST BROTHER  
PEOPLE SUFFER , FOLK LIKE ME AND YOU

VOICES RINGING IN YOUR BRAIN  
CALL YOU TO AMERICA  
AMERICA'S A WILDERNESS THEY SAY  
FIGURES STANDING ON THE SHORE  
WAVE FAREWELL FOREVER MORE  
AS YOU TURN YOUR BACK ON BALLANTRAE