

## 09c Bold Princess Royal - Mr Anderson

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On the fourteenth day of Feb'ry we sailed from the land  
in the bold *Princess Royal* bound for Newfoundland.  
We had forty bright seamen for a ship's company,  
and boldly from the eastward to the westward bore we.

2  
We had not been sailing past days two or three  
when a man from our masthead a sail he did see.  
She came bearing down on us to see what we were,  
while under her mizzen black colours she wore.

3  
Now when this bold pirate she hove alongside  
with a long speaking trumpet, 'Whence come you?'  
he cried.  
Our captain being aft, boys, he answered them so:  
'We came from fair London; we're bound to Cairo.'

4  
'Come haul up your courses and heave your ship to,  
for I have a letter I'll send home by you.'  
'I will not haul up my courses and heave my ship to,  
but it shall be in some harbour, and not alongside you.'

5  
'Good Lord,' says our captain, 'what shall we do now?'  
here comes a bold pirate to rob us, I know.  
'O no,' cries our chief mate, 'that ne'er shall be so.  
We'll shake out a reef boys, and from her we'll go.'

6  
We hoisted our topsails, and our staysails too;  
T'-gallants and royals, boys, and from her we flew.  
They fired shots after us but could not prevail,  
when the bold *Princess Royal* soon shewed them her tail.

7  
She chased us to windward for all that long day;  
she chased us to windward, but she could not make way;  
she chased us to windward, but she could make no way;  
so she hauled up her mainsail and then bore away.

8  
'Thank God,' cried our captain, 'since the pirate is gone.  
Go down to your grog, boys, go down everyone;  
go down to your grog, boys, and be of good cheer,  
for you've escaped the pirate, brave boys never fear.'