Sail on, sail on*

(The Humming of the Ban)

original key

from Thomas Moore's *Irish Melodies*

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Quietly rocking



* *in original publication this song follows* "Avenging and bright."

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smil - ing bil - low seems to say "Tho' death be - neath our sur - face be, Less
if some des - ert land we meet, Where nev - er yet false - heart - ed men Pro -
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cold we are, less false than they, Whose smil - ing wreck'd thy
faned a world, that else were sweet, Then rest thee, bark, but
19
1
2
hopes and thee."
not till
p
p dim.
23
then.
dying away