Winter Cruise

I am bone-lean, sailing under Ursa Minor, wrapped, hunched against cold and soot. On this deck, on this aged Baltic liner we sit, a heart clenched, a heart mute.

Wrapped, hunched against cold and soot, you stare at the white froth below. We sit, a heart clenched, a heart mute, above the green sea, above the black undertow.

You stare at the white froth below; I want to scream, suck stars of their light. Above the green sea, above the black undertow we shrivel, see Orion shiver this dank, long night.

I want to scream, suck stars of their light. On this deck, on this aged Baltic liner we shrivel, see Orion shiver. This dank, long night I am bone-lean, sailing under Ursa Minor.

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