Jimmy Buffett "A Pirate Looks At Forty"

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Mother, mother ocean, I have heard you call

Wanted to sail upon your waters since I was three feet

tall

Youve seen it all, youve seen it all

Watched the men who rode you switch from sails to steam

And in your belly you hold the treasures few have ever seen

Most of em dream, most of em dream

Yes I am a pirate, two hundred years too late
The cannons don't thunder, there's nothin to plunder
Im an over-forty victim of fate
Arriving too late, arriving too late

Ive done a bit of smugglin, Ive run my share of grass I made enough money to buy miami, but I pissed it away so fast

Never meant to last, never meant to last

And I have been drunk now for over two weeks
I passed out and I rallied and I sprung a few leaks
But I got stop wishin, got to go fishin
Down to rock bottom again
Just a few friends, just a few friends

(instrumental)

I go for younger women, lived with several awhile Though I ran em away, theyd come back one day Still could manage to smile Just takes a while, just takes a while

Mother, mother ocean, after all the years Ive found My occupational hazard being my occupations just not around

I feel like Ive drowned, gonna head uptown

Coda:

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