the brig - (C) michael k. pellegrino

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       A
in the darkness of the brig
   A           Ab  A
my mind set to thinking
             A
is this really happening
              Ab
or is this just a figment of my mind


       B
that's when i heard a noise
B               Bb B
coming from the shadows
  B
a hand i saw it was black and raw
Db-             Amaj7
outstretched to me
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i took the hand and shook it
the light exposed his face
"howdy man - they call me stan
how'd you find this place?"

I told him of the Jaffery
I told him of it sinking
is this really happening
or is it just a pigment of my eye

we talked all night he set me right
he told me of our captors
they think we're spies but otherwise
they're really not that bad

So he gave me some good advice
he said you've got to watch
our captors are at war
he whispered then he coughed

When the time is right he said he might
try to get back home
He was waiting for that crucial moment
when he was left alone

He'd cut through the wall
With his teeth and fall
right to the sea