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(Geoff Noble)

Come listen to me story
Of ships so proud and fine
Of captains and of fishermen
All from the Maritimes
Great carpenters and craftsmen
Who worked with skill and pride
Built mighty ships of the bluenose line
to sail the ocean wide

cho: The Bluenose Line, the Bluenose Line
Fastest ships in all the world
To plow the stormy brine

From Halifax to Yarmouth
St. Johns to Charlotte town
Great ships were built of oak and spruce
To tame the ocean down
With triple masts and triple decks
The Marco Polo fine
She was the fastest ship to sail
for the mighty Blackball Line

The Will-i-am D. Lawrence
Ten thousand tons so fine
She was the largest wooden ship
Built in the Maritimes
Eight thousand yard of sail she'd sport
To catch the wind and fly
Took storm and gale and wind and hail
And high seas in her stride

Four thousand and five hundred ships
In Registry at one time
With captains brave who knew the waves
All from the Maritimes
McKensie and Bill Laurence
James Smith and Captain Wren
Brave and disciplined they were
In charge of many men

The seas were ruled by bluenose ships

All from the Eastern Shore
The fastest way to travel
In years counted in scores
But then with steam and iron
Cunard, who took the mail
The bluenose ships were past their time
Tho' they ruled the days of sail

note:Geoff Noble was a tugboatman out of Vancouver B.C.,
who has since moved to Halifax. (?)SGL

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