Lost Ship Waltz Song - song lyrics

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LOST SHIP WALTZ SONG.
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Gaily the good ship started, people farewell were crying,
Friends by the score stood on the shore, sweet hearts their goodbyes were sighing;
Quickly the forms receded, soon they were lost from sight,
And the last signs of land disappeared in the darkness that came with night.
But hark! o'er the sea comes a loud sudden pealing
Of thunder that crashes along through the sky:
The storm strikes the ship, vivid lightning revealing
A hole in the side! "Man the boats!" now comes the cry.

Refrain.
That night out at sea sank the good ship and her crew,
Far from the land and the friends so true;
Whoever must mourn that fatal trip,
When many loved ones were drowned with the fair lost ship.

On the bridge stands the captain, all his commands obeying,
While on the deck and down below women and men are all praying.
Suddenly o'er the vessel comes an enormous wave,
Turning the poor ship o'er on its side, and destroying all chance to save.
The pea sirens sing of their homes in the ocean,
While beckoning victims along to their doom;
A crash and a plunge, then with horror bewild'ring.
The proud Ship sinks down 'neath the waves' watery tomb- Refrain.