

Find the words in the poem that help answer the questions below.

- 1. Holmes does not use Constitution's name in the poem. Instead, what does he call her?
- 2. What words describe Constitution's condition?
- 3. (a) Does Holmes think Constitution should be saved? _____
 - (b) Find examples in the poem to support your answer.

Use what you have learned about Constitution to provide some of the details behind the poem:

- 4. Name some of the heroes who served aboard her.
- 5. Name two of the ships with which she did battle.
- 6. Name one country representing Constitution's "vanquished foe."
- 7. Rather than let her rot at the pier or use her for target practice, what would Holmes prefer to be her fate?
- 8. What happened to her after she retired and where is she today? (use other side for your answer)

