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LOVE ON THE SEA AT NIGHT

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A lady, or was she a tramp? went walking by the sea.
The sea, all intent upon its own motion, lapped her feet.
Foolish woman to take pleasure in such a trifling act.
The sea did not know that she was there, nor would it care.

Little knew the fog horn far
That announced the falling mist,
That this chance we'd not resist.

Little knew the chiming "Ben",
Passing time could not have scattered--
His solemn toll, unheard, had scattered.

No one knew and no one cared
But two hidden deep in night,
Darkness turning wrong to right.

Remember once a London day,
Had it lasted past the morn,
Love, my dear, might not be torn.