

# Ode to Bickering on Sea

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Oh, Bickering on Sea, jewel of the coast,  
I love to read stories which lift me the most,  
and rescue my mind from the terrible ghost  
of the boredom of life, of work, of a host  
of heavy concerns.

Oh, town of tales, where stories abound,  
I would raise thy sails and guide thee around  
the whole of the world, where common the sound  
of sorrow and tears, of shoulders begowned  
with the routine of life.

Oh, lift up thy head, thou virtual world,  
for stories of life and fun must be told,  
if the weight of the world will not become bold,  
or the humdrum of life, terribly cold,  
and lose us in the dull every day.

I long for a story, I long for more life,  
I cherish each moment where there is less strife.  
I want just to write, and to read, and to craft,  
tales of the people, who struggled and laughed,  
to live to the full the life they were given,  
and find a new path in their seaside haven.  
Whether romance, adventure, mystery, or crime,  
fantasy, sci-fi, humour, or rhyme,  
the stories of Bickering are meant just to be  
a distraction from life and fun just for me.

(And anyone else who fancies them.)