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My father was the keeper of the Eddystone light
And he slept with a mermaid one fine night
From this union there came three
A porpoise and a porgy and the other was me!

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Yo ho ho, the wind blows free,
Oh for the life on the rolling sea!

One night, as I was a-trimming of the glim
Singing a verse from the evening hymn
A voice on the starboard shouted "Ahoy!"
And there was my mother, a-sitting on a buoy.

CHORUS

"Oh, where are the rest of my children three?"
My mother then she asked of me.
One was exhibited as a talking fish
The other was served from a chafing dish.

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Then the phosphorous flashed in her seaweed hair.
I looked again, and my mother wasn't there
But her voice came echoing back from the night
"To Hell with the keeper of the Eddystone Light!"

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