

# Nickel Creek, Moonfleet Beach

Moonfleet Beach is a terror of the sea  
and most deadly when a southwestern gale  
wakes the anger of the wave from its own easy sleep  
and I'm the only man who's made it out alive to tell the tale

I was an orphan boy  
of 15 years old  
when Elsevere took me to his home  
I still wonder if he knew  
as he kept me from the cold  
that later saving my life  
he would forfeit his own

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they hear the sounds of a struggle against the sea  
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they thank god they're not fighting for their lives  
on Moonfleet Beach

Elsevere was like a good father to me  
we got closer and closer each day  
but soon time struck cold  
and we had nothing for our bread and meat  
so we left our home, condemned our home  
and find ourselves a way

with nowhere else to turn we joined with a contraband  
and listened on the deck with the crew  
to the captain as he said "we'll need every last man  
to do their best, now raise the sails we have a dangerous job to do"

we had a smooth trip there  
oh lord and it left the peer  
but Elsevere lay heavy on the rail  
he said "son look yonder there!  
our doom is surely near  
can't ya feel it hear it blow a strong southwestern gale"

we were blown to the dreaded beach  
a rope of strong within our reach  
from the people that had gathered from the town  
Elsevere grabbed it in his hand  
and started making for the land  
but he looked and saw that I was almost drowned  
he left the rope to rescue me  
they pulled me out of the dreadful sea  
I looked for Elsevere but he couldn't be found

when the storms blow hard  
i lie awake at night  
and think about the one father ive known  
he saved my soul by giving up his life  
just like him who died to give us soul eternal hope

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