

Great Big Sea

"Excursion around the bay"

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Well it was on this Monday morning
And the day be calm and fine
To the Harbour Grace excursion
With the boys to have a time
And just before the sailor
Took the gangway from the pier
I saw some fella haul me wife
Aboard as a volunteer

Chorus:

Oh me, oh my, I heard me old wife cry
Oh me, oh my, I think I'm gonna die!
Oh me, oh my, I heard me old wife say,
"I wish I'd never taken this excursion around the bay"

We had full three hundred souls aboard, oh what a
splendid sight!
Dressed all in regimental to make our spirits bright
And meself being in the double, when a funny things
they'd say
They choke themselves from laughing when they'd see
us in the bay

Chorus

Me wife she got no better, she turned a sickly green
I fed her cake and candy, fat pork and kerosene
Castor Oil and sugar of candy, I rubbed pure oil on her
face
And I said she'll be a dandy when we reaches Harbour
Grace!

Chorus

My wife she got no better, my wife me darling dear
The screeches from her gob you could hear in
Carbonear
I tried every place in Harbour Grace,
Tried every store and shop,
To get her something for a cure or take her to the hop

Chorus

She died below the brandies as we were coming back
We buried her in the ocean, wrapped up in a Union Jack
So now I am a single man, in search of a pretty face
And the woman that says she'll have me, I'm off for
Harbour Grace!

Chorus

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