The Lobster Quadrille

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[Em] "Will you walk a little faster?" said a whiting to a snail,

[G] "There's a porpoise close behind us, and he's treading on my tail.

[Em] See how eagerly the lobsters and the turtles all advance!

[G] They are waiting on the shingle -- will you come and join the dance?

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[G] When they take us up and throw us, with the lobsters, out to sea!"

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[G] Said he thanked the whiting kindly, but he would not join the dance.

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[Em] "What matters it how far we go?" his scaly friend replied.

[G] "There is another shore, you know, upon the other side.

[Em] The further off from England the nearer is to France --

[G] Then turn not pale, beloved snail, but come and join the dance.

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