This is the beginning of a poem by "Edgar Allan Poe":

## $Annabel\ Lee$

It was any and may a year ago,
In a kingdowm by the sea,
That a maiden there lived whom you may know
By the name of Annabel Lee

The complete poem can be read on http://www.online-literature.com/poe/576/

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