

BETTY

Billingsgate:

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> BOAT unmoor'd from of Bankside,

Young Charley he was rowing, With him Bet Flounder oft was seen To Billingsgate a-going.

Young Charley he Bet Flounder lov'd, And to her he'd his love relate, To please each night and morn he strove,

Sweet Betty of Billingsgates

As on they row'd, he told his tale, How that, on her he was doating, The boat was upset by a gale, Like a flounder she was floating; He plunged into the river wide, Nor did he a moment wait, To save his dear, his destin'd bride, Sweet Betty of Billingsgate.

Betty she is an high-born fair, A dustman was her daddy, Her mother she sold wooden ware, Mer brother was a Paddy : Sweet Betty at length young Charley blest, And she took him for her mate,

And she took him for her mate, And happy now with her he lives, Sweet Betty of Billingsgate.