Bridges and Balloons

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We sailed away on a winter's day With fate as malleable as clay But ships are fallible, I say And the nautical, like all things, fades and I Can recall our caravel: A little wicker beetle shell With four fine maste and lateen sails Its bearings on Cair ParavelOh my love Oh it was a funny little thing To be the ones to've seenThe sight of bridges and balloons Makes calm canaries irritable They caw and claw all afternoon "Catenaries and dirigibles Brace and buoy the living-room A loom of metal, warp woof wimble" And a thimblesworth of milky moon Can touch hearts larger than a thimbleOh my love Oh it was a funny little thing To be the ones to've seenOh my love Oh it was a funny little thing It was a funny funny little thing

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