

## To Holmgard and Beyond

Turisas

Far beyond the sea and distant lands  
Came men with thirty ships  
Had wanted to reach the Neva by night  
But the weather was not on their side  
And as the wind grew stronger and stronger  
The rain ran down our cheeks  
The bow was turned towards Gardar  
The sail flew up again  
Holmgard and beyond  
That's where the winds will us guide  
For fame and for gold  
Set sail for those lands unknown  
Osmo and Dalk, Kyy, Kokko and Ulf  
Were glad to be off the oars  
Turo had eaten too much again  
Now hanging himself overboard  
The Tostensson twins were excited as always  
Adventure was their game  
Myself, Hakon the Bastard  
was out to find my name  
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Who is "I" without a past?  
A river without a source?  
An event without a cause?  
Threads of different lengths  
Some longer, some shorter  
So many of them spun together  
The crones keep on weaving  
The algorithm of our lives  
Cause and effect, the fates of men  
We know the way to Aldeigju  
Upstream the river Alode  
You take us to the portage  
And further (South)  
Long is the way to the unknown  
Long are the rivers in the East  
Far lies the land that Ingvar  
And his men desire to reach  
Many dangers lie ahead  
Some of us may never return  
Rather sold as a slave to the Saracens  
Than chained to your bed, chained by your life!  
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