Mysterium

Manilla Road

O'er the sea of dreams, he sailed As the fair winds turned to gales Come to search the land outback Seeking knowledge that we lacked

The sea of dreams
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Ludwig Leichhardt was his name Explorer, destined for fame He would find his quest to be Across the sea of dreams

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With compass and journal He set out 'cross the lands To seek Australia's truths For science and for man

From east to northern coast
He charted lands unseen
Received a heroes name
For all his honoured deeds
Then came the final quest
To trek from coast to coast
It proved to be his last
And turned him to a ghost

Into the outbacks unknown Venturing from coast to coast His expedition lost, vanished with no trace Except for 'L's' carved in trees A burnt gun sling, near Sturt Creek Bearing his name plate, stamped 1848 We may never really know What fate befell our heroes Australia's lost patrol Is still a mystery For science and adventure His work, a valued treasure Into the great unknown His life's destiny Following his dreams Into history.