Be a Clown

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I'll remember forever When I was but three Mama, who was clever Remarking to me If son when you're grown up You want everything nice I've got your future sewn up If you take this adviceBe a clown, be a clown All the world loves a clown Act the fool, play the calf And you'll always have the last laughWear the cap and the bells And you'll rate with all the great swells If you become a doctor, folks'll face you with dread If you become a dentist, they'll be glad when you're dead You'll get a bigger hand if you can stand on your head Be a clown, be a clown, be a clown Be a clown, be a clown All the world loves a clown Show 'em tricks, tell 'em jokes And you'll only stop with top folksBe a crack Jackanapes And they'll imitate you like apes Why be a great composer with your rent in arrears Why be a major poet and you'll owe it for years When crowds'll pay to giggle if you wiggle your ears Be a clown, be a clown, be a clown Be a clown, be a clown All the world loves a clown If you just make 'em roar Watch your Mounte bank account soarWear a painted mustache And you're sure to make a big splash A college education I should never propose A bachelor's degree won't even keep you in clothes But millions you will win if you can spin on your nose Be a clown, be a clown, be a clownGive 'em quips, give 'em fun And they'll happy to say you're A-1 If you become a farmer you've the weather to buck If you become a gambler you'll be stuck with your luck But Jack you'll never lack if you can quack like a duck Be a clown, be a clown, be a clown

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