Telltale Kitchen

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The bananas lookin brown except for where I left that sticker And the spice rack is empty cept for cinnamon, salt and pepper The tea in the jar is ten years old, Lemon Lint and Chamomold And the coffeepot is stickin to the maker.

Which is stickin to the counter

Soup-can sentinels guard the pre-colonial cupboard With hibernating honey, tins of tuna and cardboard crackers

And now the brand new honey with the angel face

Wants to come over and see my place

And chewin on a grape slash raisin I mull it over

But I know it would kill the deal

If she saw my Achilles heelTelltale Kitchen

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The microwave is broken

The smoke detectors smokin

Telltale kitchenOver in the fridge the mustard, catsup, mayonnaise and butter

Have formed an uncanny resemblance to each other

And the prehistoric bagels in the bag in the back

Are hiding from the dairy on the death row rack

As the fish flavored iceberg spawns upstream in the freezer

You would think that the sink wouldnt stink

"cause it looks like its hardly been used

But who knows what grows in the disposal

After years of beers half drunk get dumped

And no-ones fixin the water pumpTelltale Kitchen

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If you are what you eat

Im maggoty meat

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Of a porridge of origin too ancient to remember

But mercifully the rubber cap is permanently stuck there

So the substrate self-perpetuates ad-nauseinfinitum

My ego is an ego sequestered in the freezer

Like an Eskimo they leggo for bein a grumpy geezer

And the trough-full of drosophila assaulting the falafel

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A bouquet of its own
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