

# Orange Claw Hammer

## Captain Beefheart & His Magic Band

Uh thick cloud caught uh piper cubs tail  
The match struck blue on uh railroad rail  
The old puff horse was just pullin' thru  
'n uh' man wore uh peg leg forever  
I'm on the bum where the hoboes run  
The air breaks with filthy chatter  
Oh I don't care there's no place there  
I don't think it matters  
My skin's blazin' thru  
'n my clothes in tatters  
'n the railroad looks  
Like uh "Y" up the hill of ladders  
One shoe fell on the gravel  
One stick poked down  
Gray of age fell down on uh pair of ears  
An eagle shined thru my hole watch pocket  
Uh gingham girl baby girl  
Passed me by in tears  
Uh jack rabbit raised his folded ears  
Uh beautiful sagebrush jack rabbit  
'n an oriole sang like an orange  
His breast full uh worms  
'n his tail clawed the evenin' like uh hammer  
His wings took t' air like uh bomber  
'n my rain can caught me uh cup uh water  
When I got into town  
Odd jobs mam ah' yer horse I'll fodder  
I'm the round house man  
I once was yer father  
Uh little up the road uh wooden  
Candy stripe barber pole o  
'n above it read uh sign "painless parker"  
Licorice twisted around under uh fly  
'n uh youngster cocked 'er eye  
God before me if I'm not crazy  
Is my daughter  
Come little one with yer little  
ole dimpled fingers  
Gimme one 'n I'll buy you uh cherry phosphate

Take you down t' the foamin' brine 'n water  
'n show you the wooden tits  
On the Goddess with the pole out full sail  
That tempted away yer peg legged father  
I was shanghied by uh high hat beaver mustache man  
'n his pirate friend  
I woke up in vomit 'n beer in uh banana bin  
'n uh soft lass with brown skin  
Bore me seven babies with snappin black eyes  
'n beautiful ebony skin  
'n here it is I'm with you my daughter  
Thirty years away can make uh seaman's eyes  
Uh round house man's eyes flow out water  
Salt water

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