## **Firewater**

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Talkin' shit like shut up and listen to me Because cutting through the crap is my specialty Like a bomb I'm dropping yes a ton of lead You're trying to figure out the last thing I said I'm a redwood I love to be a tree yes I'm a druid My words are flowing out like a fluid Never give in never conform I'll be bustin' out rhymes in a triplet form Dead leaves on the trees in spring can't hear the birds sing A light powdered snow on the ground is glistening Vipers slither atop a colder ground they quiver A crack in the sky snow is falling and inside we shiver While I doze I suppose I could get lost With a brown skin friend claiming kin to crazy horse I stink of vino my greasy clothes are rancid but I tip the bottle back the spirits are in me kid Firewater call it liquid rapture Into the flash and flames of my crazy nature Firewater the world's a mixture Of broken liquored people get the picture Firewater call it liquid rapture Into the flash and flames of my crazy nature Firewater the world's a mixture Of broken liquored people get the picture Whiskey be spittle at the corners of my mouth I'm rather liquored light flickers, I got the shakes and jitters I roll I'm like raging bull bumrushin' the show Hand to my head sway in the fire I've waded into All alone except for the whiskey voices Whores laugh, neon signs flash other choices I stagger stumble to toast the past while I mumble Slur my song slow porno show marquee words crumble Firewater call it liquid rapture Into the flash and flames of my crazy nature Firewater the world's a mixture Of broken liquored people get the picture Firewater call it liquid rapture Into the flash and flames of my crazy nature Firewater the world's a mixture

Of broken liquored people get the picture You're hangin' around the house with all your friends Steady drinking smoking the green weed And head is sort of blinking you're going with the flow And everybody is getting plowed The voices and the music and the noise is getting loud You got a heavy buzz on when seven o'clock rolls around So you piule inside the clunker start heading downtown Only nineteen but you know where you can get it So you slide inside the bar and everything is hitting By about eleven o'clock your brain is near dead You really can't remember who was the one that said Let's go into the bathroom and meet this guy Chuck He's got a thirty dollar white powder pick me up Ten minutes later the whole vibe had changed You try for conversation but you know you're acting strange Your eyes are wide open but your smile is gone You just keep fiending 'til the fucking break of dawn Vipers slither atop a colder ground they quiver A crack in the sky snow is falling and inside we shiver While I doze I suppose

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