Tombstone Blues

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The sweet pretty things are in bed now of course

The city fathers they're trying to endorse

The reincarnation of Paul Revere's horse

But the town has no need to be nervous The ghost of Belle Starr, she hands down her wits

To Jezebel the nun who violently knits

A bald wig for Jack the Ripper who sits

At the head of the chamber of commerceMama's in the fact'ry, she ain't got no shoes

Daddy's in the alley, he's lookin' for the fuse

I'm in the streets with the tombstone bluesThe hysterical bride in the penny arcade

Screaming she moans, "I've just been made"

Then she sends out for the doctor who pulls down the shade

Says, "My advice is to not let the boys in" Now the medicine man comes and he shuffles inside

He walks with a swagger and he says to the bride

"Stop all this weeping and swallow your pride

You will not die, it's not poison"Mama's in the fact'ry, she ain't got no shoes

Daddy's in the alley, he's lookin' for the fuse

I'm in the streets with the tombstone bluesWell, John the Baptist after torturing a thief

Looks up to his hero the Commander-in-Chief

"Tell me great hero, but please make it brief

Is there a hole for me to get sick in?"The Commander-in-Chief answers him, chasing a fly

Saying, "Death to all those who would whimper and cry"

And dropping a bar bell he points to the sky

Saying, "The sun is not yellow it's chicken" Mama's in the fact'ry, she ain't got no shoes

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