Under The Serpent Sign

Nothgard

Once upon a time a young knave
Was born under the serpent sign
Thirsty for lands unknown
He armed for a quest into the forest of oath

In the dawn of the night he escaped Far from home into the forest of death Days and Nights he strayed around Till he came to a place never'd been found

A cave so dark
His shadow unseen
For goblins apart
A bad place to be?

Awaited for days!
Surrounded soon
By dancing creatures
In the nightlight of moon

A young girl took him by his hand Whispering words he couldn't understand She gave him a jar and a bottle of mead And they danced and sang till the midnight heat

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Sit down friend and be our guest But abuse our grace We set fire in your chest

The amiss virtues avarice and greed He yield soon and began to seek The treasure of his well patrons Stole their gold and their loveliest maid

After years of fortune his young face changed By a curse of the elders Days faded, of weeks became years His body was now frail and gross to see

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An old doter in the bloom of his years Once to proud to heed the caveat So try ever to deal justly Abort the virtues avarice and greed