## Wooden Overcoat

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There's a man in a pitch black hat And his underwear's made of mud He jumps like a pouncing cat And he lands with a sickening thud His head is surrounded by ravens The plague has progressed to his heart Best that you meet him clean shaven Cos his razor is not kept sharp And he's wearing a wooden overcoat

He's known in the underworld He lives in the undergrowth And he's knowingly undersold Though he's never been under oath His devil's are arrayed in armies And his angels will fix the fight He'll shape you like origami And throw you away at night And he's wearing a wooden overcoat

His house is a damp museum And all of his servants worms Mating in mausoleums Licking the floor for germs And his cabinet's full of wonders There's specimens everywhere He's negative six feet under And has to submerge for air And he's wearing a wooden overcoat

Don't ever act too humble Don't eat away thy heart He's tearing apart each dungeon His tail's an evil dart And he's wearing a wooden overcoat