Cabaret Clown

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Drawing your curtains And locking the door TV dinner for one You're alone as before Do you leave on the greasepaint To cover the tears Does it hold the illusion Of your star lit years Self parody and bathos Deluded belief Like the blackest of comedies Ending in grief Where was the pathos And where was the man Just a cabaret clown In a Vaudeville sham I'll be seeing you round Cabaret Clown When there's no one around Where was the voice That thrilled me to bits Where were the show stoppers Where were the hits You hanged the arrangements Performance so cruel Where was my hero There now stands a fool And what the hell Did you do to your face Can't you let in the grey And grow old with grace You're a freak and a fraud With contempt for your crowd So beautifully bitter So painfully proud Too much blind pride To admit when you're wrong Envious of others You messed up your song Yes I know the clown's story The clichés the same With you smile on the outside Inside you're in pain So behind the locked door With your dinner for one Do you forget the lyrics To most of your songs When I look at the pantomime What do I see Like a mirror of truth Staring back I see...