

# Shoeshine Man

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Who's that spankin' up the  
Weather of the afternoon?  
Exterminater for the legions of the  
Cockroaches of gloom  
Mister ears hang low  
I'm barkin' at you

It gets scary in the morning  
When the silver night has flown  
We make merry in the gutter  
Where rats like us belong  
You try to rough ride against the tide  
But the tide is awful strong  
La la la la la la

Shoe shine man  
I get hazy on my own  
You get what I'm sayin'?  
Shoe shine man  
You leave them a shine  
But they leave you alone

I been in my bed  
Just a tossin' the night away  
I been dinghy for a schooner  
Row - rowin' the seas of grey  
I was lost but now I'm found  
And running down the drain  
La la la la la la

Shoe shine man  
I get crazy on my own  
You get what I'm sayin'?  
Shoe shine man  
They leave you a dime  
But they leave you alone

I'll be on my way  
If I can keep it under me  
Belly flopping for a medal  
Or a nowhere I have seen  
I'm gonna miss this emptiness  
Like sailors miss gangrene  
La la la la la la

Shoeshine man  
Horse - horsin' 'neath the  
Lady city's whip  
Shoeshine man  
I'll give you a dime and  
I'll give you the slip