## The Trapper and the Furrier

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The trapper and the furrier went walking through paradise And all the animals lay clawless and toothless before them And all the mother's stepped away from their babies Leaving them open and easy to handle The trapper and the furrier went walking through paradise They took some for now and they got some for later And they marveled at the pelts, not a bullet hole in them And they filled up the cages with pets for their children

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The owner and the manager went walking through paradise And all the shelves were filled with awards and achievements And on every corner, a power presentation And on every floor, an army of workers The owner and the manager went walking through paradise And all their charts showed so much promise and progress No sick days, no snow days, no unions, no taxes And they wandered towards home, kings of their castles

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The lawyer and the pharmacist went walking through paradise And all the sick were around and with fevers unbreaking Crying and bleeding and coughing and shaking And arms out stretched, prescription collecting The lawyer and the pharmacist went walking through paradise Pressed suits in a courtroom, aroma of chloroform And they smiled at the judge, disposition so sunny Cause they didn't have the cure but sure needed the money

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