Song Of A Hundred Toads

The Handsome Family

On my way out to the gold mines, crossing the western hills Me and my little dog Clyde and a horse named Prancing Bill I slept under the stars, I heard the coyotes sing And the sun was a golden coin shining just for me The sun shone just for me

But high up in the mountains, Bill began to foam And as I whipped and tugged him, he bucked against his load Around a hairpin turn, the wagon tumbled o'er And down the jagged rocks, Bill fell with all I owned He fell with all I owned

As the sun died out, coyotes began to howl Little Clyde's head rose and answered with a growl But when I bent to call him, he snapped at me and ran And then I was alone in the silent rocks and sand The silent rocks and sand

By my fifth day of walking, I was crawling on my knees In handfuls of dust from between the dying weeds I laid down in the dirt as the sun lost her glow But I was welcomed in the dark by the song of a hundred toads The song of a hundred toads

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