## **Yellow Angel**

## **The Tiger Lillies**

In bars and in restaurants
In the cheapest Paris fairground
Each night he is found

With fury and handwringing Each night he's singing Until he's laughed out of town

Jazz band goes jingle jangle Vicious monkeys scramble To show their crippled teeth all worn down

He's drunk and he's obnoxious
And then he's feeling nauseous
He spreads his faded blooms upon the ground

He's drunk on his nirvana Asleep at the piano In this crazy celebration drowns

Jazz band goes jingle jangle Vicious monkeys gamble Shouting Merry Christmas and come on

The musicians they are leaving
Here comes the end of evening
But he can't even raise his head to frown

And from the green fir branches
A yellow angel drops down
And says poor maestro you've lost your crown

They say you sang the tango In the brothels dens and night streets You're a sad and tired clown

And up in the high heavens God extinguishes the candles And the yellow angel drowns