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## "May I Sleep In Your Barn Tonight, Mister"

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One night it was dark and 'twas stormy And along came a tramp in the rain He was making his way to some station To catch a long distance train.

May I sleep in your barn tonight mister It is cold lying out on the ground And the cold north wind it is blowing And I have no place to lie down.

Oh I have no tobacco or matches And I'm sure that I'll do you no harm I will tell you my story kind mister For it runs through my heart like a thorn.

It was three years ago last summer I shall never forget that sad day When a stranger came out from the city And said that he wanted to stay.

One night as I came from my workshop I was whistling and singing with joy I expected a kind hearted welcome From my sweet loving wife and my boy.

But what should I find I find but a letter It was placed in the room on the stand And the moment my eyes fell upon it I picked it right up in my hand.

Now this note said my wife and the stranger They had left and had taken my son Oh I wonder if God up in Heaven Only knows what this stranger has done

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