

Cass McCombs "A Knock Upon The Door"

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â€œHell!â€ sang the young minstrel, â€œhang
tightly to your purses!
Bitter winter on this blonde city and utter curses!â€
The song ended and the onlookers did roar
Were I sincere, you bet Iâ€™d hear
A knock upon the door

â€œHell!â€ went the Muse, intent, â€œyou take me
for granted!
Youâ€™ve made me a harlot, if I may be candid!â€
The label dropped her, not before they shopped her in
a bidding war
Were I sincere, you bet Iâ€™d hear
A knock upon the door

The tired minstrel, leaving town, heard the Museâ€™s
weeping
He turned up the Elvis tape in his grey car, creeping
â€œSex and Death! Was I not the breadth among the
two?â€ she poured
â€œWere you sincere, I bet youâ€™d hear
my knock upon your door!â€

He said, â€œDear Muse, Come here! Need a lift
somewhere?
Youâ€™ve got the wrong man, I was only kidding back
there.
I worship you! Forgive me for behaving like such a
boor.
I am sincere: I hope to hear
Your knock upon my door!â€

â€œThe Causeless Cause of Flawless Flaws has video
on you.â€ She scorned.
â€œEvidence, in none defense, should I have you
burned, deformed.
Hey! Hell is real and so will be your sores!
Heck with sincere, hark, I hear
A knock upon the door.â€

The derisive Muse said, â€œyour therapy isnâ€™t
working, is it?â€

Memphis huckster-Hitler-hustler! Arenâ€™t you a Clear
yet?
Always brooding the meaning of sex, pretending to be
poor.
Klock is here! Hark, I hear
A knock upon the door.â€”

His head throbbed under her voice, ubiquitous and soft
Beads streamed from his hair, soaking his black t-
shirtâ€™s cloth
gut feeling was to leave her words on the cutting-room
floor
He thought, â€œIf I stay here, Iâ€™ll never hear
That knock upon the doorâ€”

Muse, exhausted, peered the accosted, her hand on
her abdomen
A human voice to her songs, she could not condemn
Because of a communion they had had of yore
The blessed day is near, soon theyâ€™ll hear
A knock upon the door

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