Supermarket Blues

by Jerry Ratch

Man on aisle nine looking for the answer to cancer

Will the partially clothed couple on aisle four please put the rest of their clothing back on

If you are finished doing whatever it was you were doing?

Man on aisle five trying to imagine While peeking between the cereal boxes

Hootie and one of the blowfish on aisle three Bring a mop please

Lightning and thunder on aisle thirteen Man washing his hair with gasoline

Chasing all the shopping carts Half way down the block Gotta beat the time clock Gotta wear a blue smock One day sales Buy something for your nails Frozen lobster tails Day-old snails Screw the parking meters Get some Egg-Beaters

Got those supermarket blues Gotta get me some shoes Go sleep in a dumpster Take a big snooze Hit a party Drink some booze

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I got nothin' So I got nothin' to lose

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