Boney Was a Warrior

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Boney was a warrior Way, Hey, Ah!
Yes, Boney was a warrior
Jean François!

Boney was from Corsicay Of noble birth, he did say

Boney he was rather short "But tall in pride," he did retort

He found the Paris mob a bore So he gave to them a cannon's roar

With Josephine in love he lulled But then the marriage he annulled

His real love was a gay colleen Known as Madame Guillotine

He so wants an Emperor's band He grabbed it from the Popey's hand

Now Boney wants a pyramid But at the Nile, he sat on a fid

Boney thought he was hell's son But then his fleet met Nelson

Boney whipped the Prussians But then he fought the Russians

The Russians fought him toe to toe Battled him with General Snow

Boney he was sent away Made the King of Elbay In Elba he was sad and blue Nothing there for him to do

Boney left for gay Paree There to raise the Grand Armee

Boney he again rules France And leads us all a merry dance

The Iron Duke was lonely too And so they danced at Waterloo

The Iron Duke still felt bereft
'Til Blucher waltzed in from the left

Boney he was sent away Far off to St. Helena

Boney's getting mighty sick And now we know it's arsenic

Boney broke his heart and died And then he went to hell and fried

Boney appealed to old St. Pete The saint said, "You must take the heat"

The Devil said, "You like to fight? Well I will whip you every night"

But Boney was a warrior Yes, Boney was a warrior!