

# An Englishman in New York

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Demented New York athletes staggering 'round the block  
Deformed Chicanos pour in, Chicago's rolling stock  
Digital bathrooms drilling for furs  
Surgical stockings marked his and hers  
Guggenheim attitudes back to back with Jewish Baroque  
No way street, no way street, no way street  
Happy to see you, have a nice day

Defecting Russian dancers dance into Hockney prints  
Exclusive to Bloomingdales, gift-wrapped in red from the land of blue rinse  
They boggle at menus in Olde English verse  
"Ode to burger" by Keats at his worst  
The hissing of omelettes, the breaking of legs  
Don't shoot 'till you see the whites of their eggs  
The pink fillet mignon looks black on the negs  
Strange apparatus, you've never seen  
Strange apparatus, even stranger theme  
Street alligators, big Anglophile will navigate us through a change of style  
I came, I saw, what manner of beast is this?  
New York, you talk a little bit left of centre  
A scream, a shout  
New York is throwing it's weight around  
Walk tall, walk straight, spit the world right in the eye  
The stronger the wood, the straighter the arrow  
Dismembered hopeful My-Lai veterans queuing for sleaze  
"Sorry no dogs, no fags, no shriners and no amputees"  
Sexual athlete applies for audition  
Willing to make it in any position  
Just one of the extras with blood on their faces  
In snow-white and the seven basket cases  
I'm happy and dopey and dirty in places

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Lock up your daughters, Avon crawling  
Devoted collectors of paraphernalia out walking the rock  
Battle and bitch for the ultimate kitsch of a crucifix clock  
Two miniature romans, running on rails appear every hour and bang in the nails  
I've got to have it, Christ, I gotta be the first on our block  
Disturbing facts about Nazi splinter groups seen on the news  
They're picketing synagogues and claiming that Hitler was King of the Jews  
Caught in the tunnel, an ambulance howls  
A men's room attendant is flapping his jowls  
Sssshh, Howard Johnson is moving his bowels

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