

WHY SHE'S ACTING THIS WAY

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LIKE SILENCE SHE STANDS
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D
LIKE LAUGHTER SHE FALLS
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FROM A CASTLE OF SAND
D
LIKE A MEMORY SHE CALLS.
G
AND THE MOCKING BIRDS SCREAM
D
'CAUSE THEY CAN'T MAKE HER CRY
A **G**
THEY'LL SOON START T'BELIEVE
D
THAT THE LADY HAS DIED.

AW WHAT IT ALL GOES TO SHOW
IT AIN'T MAY JOB TO SAY
FOR WHO AM I TO KNOW
WHY SHE'S ACTIN' THIS WAY

TAKE YOUR TINKERBELL LIES
AND YOUR WEARY DESIRES
TAKE THE TEARS IN YOUR EYES
AND YOUR CUP FULL OF FIRE

AW ONCE AGAIN TURN AWAY
IF YOU'RE SURE THAT IT'S DONE
TELL YOUR PROPHETS TO PRAY
TELL YOUR BANDITS TO RUN

AW, GIVE YOUR LOVER A CALL
IF YOUR LEGS START TO FAIL
AND HE'LL COME BREAK YOUR FALL
WITH A BED FULL OF NAILS.

TAKE YOUR EYELIDS OF STONE
THEY WON'T DO YOU NO HARM
TAKE YOUR CROSS MADE OF BONES
AND YOUR FLYPAPER ARMS.

NO NEED TO GLANCE BACK AGAIN
THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' TO SEE
JUST THIS DRUNKEN OLD MAN
AND THIS WOMAN AND ME.

AND WHEN EVERYTHING'S PLACED
IN YOUR COFFIN OF GOLD
THROW A SCARF 'ROUND YOUR FACE
'CAUSE THE SUBWAY GETS COLD

AND YOU'VE MADE IT QUITE PLAIN
THAT WE'RE JUST WAISTIN' TIME
AND YOU SAY IT SEEMS STRANGE
THAT I'M STAYIN' BEHIND.

PACK UP YOUR SUNFLOWER SMILE
AND YOUR BANDANA BLUES
TAKE YOUR WORTHLESS DENIALS
THEY'RE ALL YOU GOT LEFT TO LOOSE.

BUT DON'T WORRY 'BOUT ME
I CAN MAKE IT ALONE
'CAUSE I GOT NO PLACE TO BE
AND I AIN'T FAR FROM HOME.

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