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# Headlights

Twilight of all that we've become Last light before the morning sun All the stray alarms resound tonight

Headlights are staring down the road Pitch black beyond the silver glow Our conversation's locked up tight

And in the corner of my eye There's something trying to apply And in the campfire at a distance There's a figure in the pyre

Off the record now, right? Wrap it up in tinfoil Off the record now, right? Wear it like you're paranoid Off the record now, right? Feeling like a Tesla coil Off the record now, right? Power up in three-four

You keep telling me that maybe we should do something And I keep telling you it's already done

If it was me behind the wheel Then I would steer into the sea And maybe put this fire out

By the horizon comes the sun So self-important on and on As if the future's safe and sound

# Firebird

There's a barren desert wasteland That I call my own By a dried up riverbank Where I now stand alone

And when the sun does rise It pains the sand in shades of gold I've been here so long But now it's time to break its hold

Tomorrow I'm a bird And I'm leaving in the morning Out of here with the dawn On wings of fire

The future's just a word I'm ignoring every warning Aimed at keeping me down When I could go higher

I'm gonna reach out for the sun I'm gonna burn as bright as one

Tomorrow I'm a bird And I'm not a bit concerned Icarus took a fall That I much admire

Nestled in a sycamore Where lighting struck before I keep my ashes in a jar Awaiting the next storm

# If You're Shooting With Your Left It Means the Right Side Is Working

I was born in the land of plenty I was raised as a privileged child This was once a great community So they say, I don't know why

We built ships and automobiles We made unions, guns and steel Money talks in the angel's silence Selling out once great ideals

Living in a ghost town Feeling like a class clown Running with the magpies Walking like a crow Never saw the factory When it made out history Now it's just a patch where the pennyroyal grows

Born with promise and chance of plenty Walked that road in paramount shoes Couldn't play the abacus melody All I ever wanted was to be of use

One big chord of mocking birds Cover the sky like a big f-word Fame will get you heaps of treasure Dedication is just a word

# Ladders

Underneath your underwear Your skin is white as scares You couldn't catch the sun Cause your ego's on the run

You could break through like a storm And everyone would sing along And all your colors would ignite Like a firework of pride

Take your pills and fall asleep alone Climbing ladders into the unknown And if you lose your teeth tonight At least you've had a lovely time

Underneath your pale facade There beats a playwright's heart You could tell tales of conquest Set yourself so far apart

#### Science

I know why I'm feeling down I've analyzed myself I don't need to hear about it From anybody else And what I know is that Everybody gets depressed

It's science It's science

And what can I do if I know why I'm feeling bad What can I do if I don't talk of my sad, sad life Sad, sad life

It's science My emotion is just an appliance It's science My emotion is just an appliance

Lay my down in Sigmund's couch I've read his every word Explained myself in thick and then confronted the absurd And what can I do if I'm told another "Everybody gets deterred"

I live in a society where sorrow makes you weak So everyday I fake a smile and lie between my teeth

# Missing Mr. Marchie

Now grey is sitting high On my sunny August sky And as the days go by My summer fades and dies

It really is quite strange How little that remains Of the cool and the deranged Cause the mirror's not the same

Standing around like crows With draggled feathers One of those all-time lows Gone mad together

And now I'm all alone And things are worse than ever And I would give all the silence in the world For a crash of broken glass Just a crash of broken glass

Still you haunt me phantom wise And call me once or twice In the garden where I pine Real distraught and paralyzed

# Waiting for the Fall

It's easy to reach sub zero Because I am so conveniently low It's easy to gravitate downward One of these days it's the only way to go

Come on now pick your poison Come on and pain a picture Create and then destroy The memories of grand conjecture

Waiting for the night to take us home Because we have no business in the sun Waiting for the fall to take us down Because we have no summer of our own

Waiting for the night

I seem to be heading this way Because I guess it's lacking in friction I keep accelerating Despite never really having any direction

I'm prone to catastrophic Results and inner workings Come on and board the sinking Ship of fools and excess thinking Lyrics

#### Tomorrow Is Dead to Me

Locked in a cycle Choked on a spiral Alone in a dark room Sunrise to bad moon

It calls out To me

And if you ask me what I'm doing this weekend I always answer in the past tense Cause every day's the same and I can't break away Ever since my accident

Tomorrow's dead to me, yeah dead already (Already, already) Tomorrow's dead to me, yeah dead already (Already, already) Climbing back up Salisbury Hill Nostalgia creep and destiny Tomorrow's dead to me, yeah dead already (Already, already)

My eyes in the mirror Looks like a dragon's My life is my treasure Locked under pressure

It calls out To me

And if you ask me what I'm doing with my life I talk about my master plan Cause nothing that I've ever lived is anything That I would like to do again

### Long Lost Dead and Gone

Round and round It never seems to change Through twists and turns Somehow it stays the same

The pattern keep on changing and I can't adapt (Walls are closing in) The line becomes a circle and I'm lost and trapped (Air is getting thin)

Long lost Dead and gone Locked up Always wrong Been staring at the walls so long The wall is staring back Strange eyes Fade to black

On and on Same illness different name A cage of bones Ensures that we remain

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#### Domino

Fortunate I'm not But I'm always changing Sweden's always raining When it's most inopportune

Black suburban clouds And apartment towers Always counting the hours Until the next drinking moon

And it's almost as if you didn't know better And it's almost as if you made a bad call And it's almost as if you didn't know better And like a domino I'm taking a fall

Always looked the fool No matter the clothing There was always something That seemed all out of style

I was born in March And I'm just as unstable Brought up by fable On the back of a crocodile

#### This Mess I'm In

Falling down a hole And pretending that I'm in control Make it like I'm flying Soaring into parts unknown

Coming down like dead weight Trying hard to feel alive Head above the water Struggling against the tide

Friday I was thirteen Saturday I'm buried Underneath the beating Burden that I carried Everything was torn apart Right from the start Right from the start Sunday I revive And keep up the decline Monday I arrive And then I realize That everything was torn apart Right from the start Right from the start Oh yeah right from the start

Walking in a tightrope Trying hard to miss the ground Denial is my balance I wear it like a worn out crown

Walking up in shambles Never going back to sleep Whatever I have left Is something that I aim to keep

### Corridor

Lay me down to rest And hang your head down low In panic and in shame When you go

Build a raven's nest Of withered bones and teeth And dig a hole for me Underneath

And let the mirror judge If there's madness in our hearts Let the soil embrace And silence our alarms

Let our twilight world Pass into gentle night And let the moon obscure The pallor of our skies

And you keep running down Running down Running down that corridor And no one knows No one knows No one knows what it's there for What it's there for

The tree was always dead Yet never seem to grow Polluted by the grief Down below

In shades of white and grey In heavy slumber's keep In pieces and in shards Let me sleep

#### Journey

It's a night Yeah it's the night that I've been dreaming of It's a party Yeah that party I've been dreading so

And I kept telling you I didn't really want to go I can suffocate just fine in my humble abode

And I don't know the song you're talking about I can't hear the music's way too loud And I've been through this whole scenario before And it's just not gaining ground

Cause the journey is the first part And the journey is the last part And you get so sick of traveling Before your aching heart stops

And the journey is the first part And the journey's where you get off And you get so sick of traveling Before your aching heart stops

You and I are lightning bolts inside a thunder cloud It's still the same, the first and forty-second time around

I always tell myself that getting out is good for me I never seem to learn that misery is company