

# DEFUNCT

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SOME SAY THE OLD WAYS ARE BETTER  
THE OLD WAYS ARE BEST  
IF YOU CAN'T SAVE YOUR SOUL SAVE YOUR BREATH  
THE DUCHESS WROTE ME A LETTER  
AND EVERY LINE  
PULLED ALL THE TROUBLE OUT OF MY MIND

: SHE WROTE RAISE UP DE FEET HIGH UP IN THE AIR  
THEY CAN'T TOUCH YOU IF YOU'RE NOT THERE  
YOU DON'T KNOW HOW LUCKY YOU ARE DEFUNCT  
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SHE USED TO BE IN THE PICTURES  
SILVER SCREEN PARADISE  
FIVE HUSBANDS NEMBUTAL RODEO DRIVE  
AFTER HER STAR FADED SHE EMBRACED THE VERTIGO  
NOW SHE LETS THE MOMENT GO WHERE IT GOES...  
: RAISE UP DE FEET ~

SOMETIMES THE VERY BEST THING THAT CAN HAPPEN  
IS NOTHIN' HAPPENIN' AT ALL

SOMEDAY I'LL WRITE A RE-PLY  
TO THE NOTE SHE SENT  
SEND IT BY TRAMP STEAMER OR PONY EXPRESS  
A RED ROSE TO THE DUCHESS  
FOR THE SHEER DELIGHT  
AND THE GRATEFUL RECEPTION OF HER SAGE ADVICE...  
: SHE WROTE ~

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SCINTILLATING NIGHT

THE POISON'S IN THE BLOOD AND THE BLOOD'S IN THE AIR  
OR IS IT THE OTHER WAY AROUND?

EVERYBODY TALKS ABOUT THE TOWN  
- THEY'RE MISSING THE PLACE  
THE THING THAT CAN'T BE REPLACED

: SHOW ME THE SCINTILLATING NIGHT  
THE TREASURE HIDDEN FROM THE STREETS  
SHOW ME THE SCINTILLATING NIGHT  
HELP ME FEEL ALL THE THINGS WE CAN'T SEE  
WE CAN'T SEE

GREASY TAKE-OUT WRAPPERS THE SCENT OF ROTTEN MAGNOLIAS  
IT WAS RIGHT HERE ON THIS GROUND  
THEY BLOWED THE PIANO PLAYER DOWN  
BUT HE NEVER LEFT THE PLACE  
HIS CRY SOUNDING THROUGH THIS LONESOME SPACE ...

: SHOW ME THE SCINTILLATING NIGHT ~

THE PREACHER'S IN THE PRISON THE PRISON'S IN THE SOUL  
OR IS IT THE OTHER WAY AROUND?

AFTER THE PARTY'S LAST GO ROUND  
AND THE FEVERED STREET'S ALL CLEAR  
SHOW ME WHAT'S BEEN WAITING HERE...

: SHOW ME THE SCINTILLATING NIGHT ~

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## SKULLBOX

THE GO-GETTERS DON'T GET HER  
WITH THEIR NUTS AND BOLTS AND LOCKS  
THE JET SETTERS COO AND PET HER  
THEN THEY SPIT AND SLIT THEIR WRISTS  
'CAUSE SHE WON'T FIT IN THEIR SKULL BOX

: SHE SAY MAN I NEED A LITTLE WIGGLE ROOM  
UNDER THE BLOOD OF THE MOON  
FOOT ON THE ROCK I'LL SUFFER THE SHOCKS  
DELIVER ME FROM YOUR SKULL BOX

THE LOTUS EATERS THEY ALL SEEK HER  
TRY AND MEASURE THE TICK OF HER TOCK  
PEARLY SWINE OF EVERY PERSUASION  
THEY WOULD FLIP TO TRIM HER WICK  
BUT SHE WON'T SUBMIT TO THEIR SKULL BOX  
: SHE SAY MAN I NEED A LITTLE WIGGLE ROOM ~

IT MUST BE A HELL OF A THING  
TO LIVE INSIDE A TRUMP  
DOWN SO LONG SO LONG SO LONG  
IT LOOKS LIKE UP

I SAW HER DANCING WITH THE RANCHER  
MOVING LIKE A LAVA TEARDROP  
SO FAR BEHIND, SHE'S ALWAYS ADVANCING  
HOW SHE SPIN WITH THAT WILD HORSE GRIN  
BUT SHE'LL NEVER GET IN YOUR SKULL BOX...  
: SHE SAY MAN I NEED A LITTLE WIGGLE ROOM ~

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## ITCHY FINGERS

FIRST ONE TO LEAP BEFORE THEY LOOK  
YOU KNOW WHO TOOK YOUR MAMA'S POCKET BOOK  
THE REAL MCGRAW QUICK ON THE DRAW  
THE FIRST IN THE PICTURE TO PULL THE TRIGGER

: ITCHY FINGERS PUT DOWN YOUR GUN  
ITCHY FINGERS WHAT'S DONE IS DONE  
BACK UP A STEP SCRATCH SOMETHING ELSE  
TRY TO ENJOY THE MISERY MY ITCHY MON AMIS

YOU LOOK IN THE MIRROR NOT TO FORGET  
YOU'RE THE ONE THE WORLD IS OUT TO GET  
TARGET ON YOUR BACK PRICE ON YOUR HEAD  
THAT'D MAKE ANY MAN ITCHY AS HELL

: ITCHY FINGERS ~

LIKE THE KNIFE LISTENS TO THE FORK  
AND THE LIGHT LISTENS TO THE DARK  
LET YOUR HEAD LISTEN TO YOUR HEART

THE WORLD'S TOO CRAZY AND LIFE IS WICKED SHORT  
TO LET A SHORT FUSE BE YOUR SPARK  
DON'T LET THE FLAME GO OUT SO QUICK  
BEND DOWN LOW AND TRIM THE WICK

: ITCHY FINGERS ~

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PITCHFORK LULLABY

: PITCHFORK LULLABY OH MY  
TO SOOTHE THE MONSTER DEEP INSIDE  
PITCHFORK LULLABY

LAY YOUR HEAD ON DOWN  
DOWN ON THE BURNING COALS  
WE'RE WAITING FOR THE LIGHTNING  
TO FLASH US BACK HOME  
: PITCHFORK LULLABY ~

WHEN YOU'VE BEEN BORN AGAIN  
AS MANY TIMES AS US  
ANOTHER NIGHT IN A BURNING BARN  
DON'T SEEM LIKE MUCH...

JUST LIKE THE ROLLING STONES  
WE WANDERED THROUGH THE GREAT UNKNOWN  
THE VILLAGES CURSED US CHASED US WITH THEIR TORCHES  
ALL THE WAY FROM NATCHITOCHE TO THE GULF OF MEXICO

SALTY TOXICITY  
BIVALVE SALVATION  
YOU'VE GOT TO LIVE FREE  
WHEN YOU'RE AN ABOMINATION  
: PITCHFORK LULLABY ~

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SHE'S GOT HEART

A RIGHTEOUS KICK RIGHT WHERE IT COUNTS  
EVERYTIME IT COMES I DON'T SEE IT COMING  
THE DRUMMER'S DRUMMING LIKE TO SAVE HIS LIFE  
THAT'S GOOD 'CAUSE THEY DON'T PAY HIM  
BUT A LOUSY DIME...

: MM-MM THE MONEY WE AIN'T GOT  
MM-MM SHE UNTIES THE KNOT  
YEAH WHEN I'M LOST DEEP IN THE DARK  
HERE SHE COMES WITH EVERTHING SHE'S GOT  
SHE'S GOT HEART HOW-HOW-HOW  
SHE'S GOT HEART HOW-HOW-HOW

DOWN FOR THE COUNT UP WITH THE BELL  
I'M DANCING ON MY FEET WHEN I HEAR IT RINGING  
THIS IS ME SINGING FIGHTING FOR MY LIFE  
WHICH IS GOOD 'CAUSE I DON'T MAKE BUT A LOUSY DIME...  
: MM-MM THE MONEY WE AIN'T GOT ~

WHEN SHE GIVES IT, SHE GIVES IT TO ME  
FREE FREE  
BUT I DON'T KEEP IT - THAT WOULD KILL IT

A RIGHTEOUS KICK RIGHT WHERE IT COUNTS  
COULD I EVER GIVE BACK WHAT SHE'S GIVING?  
THIS LIFE WE'RE LIVING WON'T SAVE MY LIFE  
WHICH IS GOOD 'CAUSE I CAN'T EVEN SAVE A LOUSY DIME...  
: MM-MM THE MONEY WE AIN'T GOT

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WHITE CHICKEN BONE

TRYIN' TO MAKE ENDS MEET  
SEEMS TO BE WAY BEYOND MY MEANS  
ALL THEM FOOLPROOF SCHEMES  
AND GET RICH DREAMS  
: NOW I FEEL LIKE A FLY  
I FEEL LIKE A FLY  
BUZZIN' ON A WHITE CHICKEN BONE

I'D SLIT MY OWN DAMN THROAT  
BUT MY RAZOR'S TOO DULL AND MEAN  
JUST AS DULL AND MEAN  
AS A NORQUIST SPEECH  
: NOW I FEEL LIKE A FLY ~

TOO GIDDY AND WORKED UP  
TO CRACK A BOOK TAKE A DEEPER LOOK  
YOU FORGET WHAT WE LEARNED ON THE MEKONG -  
EVERY REVOLUTION EATS ITS YOUNG

TRYIN' TO MAKE ENDS MEET  
WHAT DOES THAT FEEL LIKE? IT'S BEEN SO LONG  
IF I COULD SELL A SONG  
WE'D EAT CHICKEN ALL NIGHT LONG  
: NOW I FEEL LIKE A FLY

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## COLONY COLLAPSE

SOMETHING COMES OUT OF THE NIGHT  
AND THINGS GO MISSING IN THE DAY  
EVEN THE ABYSS IS NOW VOID  
THE PAY PHONE ON THE CORNER  
IT USED TO RING AND RING ALL NIGHT LONG  
BUT NOW EVERY SIGNAL IS JUST NOISE  
: NOBODY KNOWS WHAT IT IS  
BUT IT AIN'T ROCK AND ROLL NO MORE  
THIS FAILED APOCALYPSE NO HONEY, NO SAP  
COLONY COLLAPSE

SOMEBODY TOOK OUT THE TIME PIECE  
HIDDEN DEEP IN THE HUMAN HEART  
PULLED OFF THE HANDS LIKE THEY WERE BEE'S WINGS  
NOW EVERY SCREAMING TEEMING MOMENT  
IS GOLDEDN FOLDED, GONE  
HOW DO WE ENDURE SUCH A THING?  
: NOBODY KNOWS WHAT IT IS ~

I MISS THE BLIGHT OF THE SOUL THAT'S DISAPPEARED  
THAT'S HOW I KNOW WE'RE STILL HERE

SOMETIMES I GET THIS SICK FEELING  
WE WAGE WAR AFTER WAR AFTER WAR  
BUT WE NEVER FIGHT THE REAL BATTLE  
THERE'S SOMETHING COMES OUT OF THE NIGHT  
AND WHISPERS IN MY EAR  
BUT IT JUST SOUNDS LIKE BABBLE...  
: NOBODY KNOWS WHAT IT IS ~

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DO LIKE SOPHIE DO

PICTURES IN MY JUNK BOX  
GOLDEN MOMENTS SNAPPED AND CAUGHT  
BUT THE BRIGHTEST PICTURE OF THEM ALL  
IS THE PICTURE OF YOU IN MY HEART

: BOYS, I BEEN UP ON THE HILL  
AND I BEEN DOWN IN THE VALLEY  
AND THERE AIN'T NOBODY IN THIS OLD ROUND WORLD  
CAN DO LIKE SOPHIE DO

WHIRL AWAY, SOPHIE GIRL  
WHIRL AWAY, MY DEAR  
THE DAY WE MET RIGHT THERE AND THEN I FELT  
I'D KNOWN YOU A THOUSAND YEARS  
: BOYS, I BEEN UP ON THE HILL...

NOW THERE'S MANY WE AIN'T SEEN HIDE NOR HAIR OF  
SINCE THE STORM BEEN AND GONE  
AND IF I NEVER NO MORE SEE YOU AGAIN  
YOU'RE ALWAYS IN MY HEART  
: BOYS, I BEEN UP ON THE HILL~

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## BROKEN MAGIC

: BROKEN MAGIC IN THE SONG SHE WEAVES  
IT TWISTS ITS WAY THROUGH THE LEAVES  
DOWN TO THE ROOTS OF MY SOUL  
AND O WHAT SHE MAKES OF ME SHE MAKES OF ME  
WITH HER BROKEN MAGIC

THE SERPENT SHEDS ITS SKIN IN THE STRAW MOONLIGHT  
WHILE THE HEAT KEEPS DIGGING IN  
I'VE FORGOTTEN ALL THE CEREMONIES  
TO LOOSEN THE SCREWS RELEASE THE BLUES  
THEN HER SONG COMES OUT OF THE RUINS...  
: BROKEN MAGIC ~

THE RAVEN LIFTS ITS WINGS ITS SILVERY WINGS  
AND A SHIVER RUNS THROUGH EVERYTHING  
I THOUGHT I KNEW ALL THE RIGHT NUMBERS  
THE STEPS AND THE MOVES  
THEY ALL DIE AWAY WHEN HER SONG PENETRATES ...

IF I COULD JUST SEE HER FACE  
HER FINGERS MOVING ON THE STRINGS  
IF I COULD JUST SEE HER FACE  
WOULD THAT DESTROY EVERYTHING?

THE SERPENT SHEDS ITS SKIN THROUGH THE INFERNAL NIGHT  
BUT IT COMES TIME FOR THE SUN TO RISE  
HOW LONG DID I DANCE  
BEFORE THE SONG DISAPPEARED?  
I COULD GO ON DANCING FOR A THOUSAND YEARS ...  
: BROKEN MAGIC ~

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A TRIPPY FAREWELL

BOOM BOOM GOES THE KING OF MY HEART  
BOOM BOOM GOES THE QUEEN  
JAMES DEAN HAD SENSE ENOUGH TO RIDE  
RIDE RIGHT OUT OF THE SCENE

: A TRIPPY FAREWELL, HIROSHIMA BABES  
NOW WE PASS ON THE SCORCHED EARTH  
IF WE WOULD HAVE BEEN HUMAN  
IT WOULD ALL FEEL A WHOLE LOT WORSE

BOW DOWN TO THE HAIRLESS PROPHET  
NOT YET TWENTY-TWO  
HOW YOU EXPECT TO GET ANY OFF IT  
IF YA DON'T GIVE IT A SHAKE OR TWO

: A TRIPPY FAREWELL ~

THIS IS THE WORLD ON FIRE  
THIS IS YOUR BRAIN ON DRUGS  
THIS IS A HEART ON THE ROCKS  
FINALLY FINDING LOVE AT LAST SIGHT...

BOOM BOOM GOES THE SHOE ON THE LECTERN  
BOOM BOOM GOES THE ICE  
BIPOLAR BEARS ARE WALTZING MATHILDA  
IN A BURNED-OUT SONNY BONO PARADISE

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THE MINUTES ARE LIKE DIAMONDS  
THE HOURS ARE LIKE PEARLS  
WHAT DID YOU WANT IN THIS LIFE  
YOU COULDN'T FIND IN THIS WORLD?

: YOU DON'T KNOW HOW LUCKY YOU ARE, BOYS  
- DEFUNCT

ALL THEIR DENIALS THEY DENY  
THEIR IGNORANCE THEY IGNORE  
BEHIND THEIR ROSY WORDS  
THEIR HEARTS ARE FULL OF WAR

: YOU DON'T KNOW HOW LUCKY YOU ARE, BOYS  
- DEFUNCT

GIVE A MAN ENOUGH ROPE  
YOU KNOW WHAT HE'S GONNA DO  
GIMME FRIENDS AND WINE AND MEMORIES  
AND A LITTLE BIT OF WIGGLE ROOM

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