

Tension

10,000 Maniacs

Frail hinges pivot
On a case's door
Commemorative
Souvenirs from places

Containers change with occasion
Cellophane encased
Displaying paper
Certificate

Credit years of service
A tool of central enterprises
The early hope
For permanence

The words the rings
Consistency
And
Social security

The miracles high tragedy
A thought mistaken for a memory
Dress lengths assassinations
Fractured family ties and christenings

Local posts will list your friends
In order of disappearance
Lawn scattered tins feed birds
The portion baked

For absent guests
The mass edition icon
God sent comfort
Your salvation

But who grants absolution
For sins that never were committed
Tension makes a tangle
Of each thought becomes

Inconvenience
Sound never penetrates
The servile edges break and faint
A thought mistaken for a memory

Clear the dust
From smiles in boxes
Pass the patterned wall
Recall their voices