

# Lord Salisbury

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Lord Salisbury said to me  
"Though we spend our lives in isolation  
Girdled 'round by the Emerald Sea  
No fear shall we know".  
Look away, look away, look away  
To the lamp-lit square  
At the ebb of May  
Look away, look away, look away  
For our survival

Lord Salisbury takes his time  
The government sits in contemplation  
All is ordered and in its prime  
No fear shall we know  
Look away, look away, look away  
To the fog-bound ship in the icy bay  
Look away, look away, look away  
For our survival

On the mantelpiece is a silver clock  
And it counts the hours and they won't turn back  
The evening set and the room forgets  
The day that went before  
And through my window  
Iron wheels on a cobbled mews  
You will know changes soon

Lord Salisbury reads the news  
And puts the paper on the table  
Many paths will be ours to choose  
No fear shall we know  
Look away, look away, look away  
To the fleets of steel and the waves of grey  
Look away, look away, look away  
For our survival

The Queen is old but she lingers still  
Like the fading ring of a distant bell  
And Oscar Wilde in his prison cell  
Laments a brighter day  
And in some window a red flag flies  
In a meeting room  
You will know changes soon

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Look away, look away, look away  
To the lonesome cry of the modern day  
Look away, look away, look away  
For our survival