Spare-Ohs

Andrew Bird

The finches and sparrows build nests in my chimney With remains of the small flightless birds that you failed to p rotect But the yolk isn't easy in fact it's a drag As they're blowin' through cornfields and mountains of rags All over the suburbs across the great lawns And they're cropdusting gardens all over this town

But nobody cares when it gets in their hair It gets in their lungs as it floats through the air It gets in the food that they buy and prepare But nobody cares when it gets in their hair

Across the great chasms and schisms And the sudden aneurysms Where the black ink will drip across the cuspis of your eyes And your teeth, they're worth more than you can spare Oh, don't tell me that it just isn't fair Don't speak about the cycles of life 'Cause your thoughts are so soft I can cut 'em with a spork, or a bride's knife

And the wine made our mouths too loose Such a reckless choice of words When you told me that I'm too abstruse I just thought it was a kind of bird I swear, I just stood there Not saying a word