

# Come Hell Or High Water

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Libertine the name that falls from her lips and splashes on my shoes like sad beads of rain, penetrating the soil and making ready the harvest of our love.

And me?  
I got a bug to squash

This tale's been told a thousand times, so I thought that I shoulda known better  
Than to supplicate a girl, on pedestal shoes  
No pants and a real tight sweater  
I'm laughin' too!  
But it's from my embarrassment that I tremble  
When she saw that I was just a hopeless imitation of the man that I most resemble

And the chords ring so familiar, to a man who's heard it all before  
And the melody will forever linger, like perfume in a hardware store

It ain't that I seek loneliness ...  
I just down right fail to understand  
How a customary girl, on pedestal shoes  
Can all but destroy one man

I wish I'd licked her to the ground  
But I swallowed my tongue instead  
Watched her from the shadows with a hideous frozen grin  
While she carved her name in my head

Some folks talk 'round the way,  
sayin', "B, you really got it made."  
But I crawl 'round my room from night 'till day  
Wonderin' if your star will ever fade

And I'll be here, come hell or high water  
Love you like you're my daughter  
Buy you new shoes 'cause I oughta

And only sometimes will my thoughts turn blue, like the skies  
And every word is you

Now,  
West of Bloody 16th street,  
Are the remains of a man who was broken  
By the rapture of a girl, on pedestal shoes  
And man I tell ya,  
That girl wasn't jokin'

And I've killed my mind a thousand times  
Now my thoughts stay firmly in the present  
But there's a kinda ugly breach, like a ocean in my soul  
Keeps on naggin' me - so incessant

And the silence is louder than a H-Bomb  
That explodes when I close my eyes  
Sendin' shockwaves to the town you're from  
In the hope that you'll stir - come alive

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