

# The Birds

Elbow

The birds are the keepers of our secret  
As they saw us where we lay  
In the deepest grass of springtime  
In a reckless guilty haze

And they wove a sweet indifference  
And it settled on our skin  
Till the eyes that I remembered  
For the last time drew me in

The birds, though I wore your glacial patience  
To a smudge of bitter dust  
On the last day you embraced me  
With a glistening sapling trust

Did they sing a million blessings  
As they watched us slowly part?  
Do they keep those final kisses  
In their tiny racing hearts?

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