## **Countrywide Soul**

I was a lonely boy Out there searching Couldn't find much joy Too old to fake it Too young to hide it away

I played the master thief Stealing the lives of the people I'd meet Faking away each day so gracelessly

But there's a price that must be paid You can't hide out every day Somebody comes along And blows your cover all away

Oh I lay down in a meadow in the sky And I held my breath as I fell into your eyes I love your hair smells sweet like pure Rocky Mountain air Like the big sky shining on a Winnipeg night Dust in the air and the Northern Lights All in your country wide soul I love your country wide soul

You sure walk along slow That's the only speed I've ever seen you go You take good care of me as the days go by Is that the mail train I see Well I hope it's not carrying any news for me I just can't see myself on the company line

There's another season gone and lord I'm feeling strong Got to find a way to keep this dream dreaming on

Oh I lay down in a meadow in the sky And I held my breath as I fell into your eyes I love your face well it takes me to so many beautiful places Driving through the night under Prairie stars Listening to a band in a St. Johns bar Down by the water on a Halifax shore Listening to the wind and the ocean roar Freight train rolling through the Great Divide The magic in the mushrooms of PEI All in your country wide soul

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