

Pound Pound Pound

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I was standing on a corner kicking my heels
Had my coat buttoned up beneath my chin
And I saw in some girl's eyes, she thought I was making deals
There was just me and the clock struck out
I was looking for something to scream and shout about
So I took a train and I went back home
There was no one to tell so I didn't telephone
That place is just another big unknown to me
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The sea made angry faces, the waves were getting high
Saw them kicking down onto the front
And the cars dodged the water that was flooding on by
And I just stood there, an orphan fool
I saw kids smoking chain on their way back from school
A tramp got reckless in the center of town
He was talking about Jesus as the sun went down
A lifetime of sorrows, he was ready to drown
A lifetime of sorrows, I think he was going to drown

Well I hit this bar where I used to hang out
Talked to the guy behind the bar, then dropped a few names
He didn't know what I was talking about
So I put my money down and I shot some pool
Beat two punks, I was feeling cool
A couple of girls started to flirt
And I felt really old as they tugged my shirt
And I walked outside as they hurled some dirt at me
I walked outside as they hurled dirt at me

Went to visit Helen by St. Helen's Park
That place used to frighten me now all I can see
Was a couple of wide-
boy sharks flashing their teeth in the small-town dark
Huddled myself in the cold
That old red brick house I can find it blindfolded
I loved her when I was sixteen
She was an old town new brown beauty queen
Now I just spend my time filling the gaps in between her and me
Well I just spend my time filling the gaps that have grown in