## Opium

## Jump, Little Children

"Do you smoke opium?" he said As he opened my wallet on the street Please god please can you breathe a little softer It's hard enough to stand up straight cause I'm beat Don't call your girlfriend on the phone There's lots of other numbers you can use Get this dial tone off me

Let's go out and get some coffee Caffeine will make you less and less confused I didn't want to be Chinese I just ended up in this part of town I'm an entertainer And I will try to make you saner At least turn your frown upside down

Her take a look upon my face It's dark, I know you can't see at all But try and take some notice At least try and focus Or else you're going to stumble or even fall There's a man coming from the south land Just coming off the fix, the sleeve tricks

Strike it up if judah sticks The brass band, hold hands Right across the new land Have an accent pay your rent, at least conceal your identity Cause it's cheaper when it's free The warble in the purple And the bubble's in trouble again

I heard there was a murder just upstairs I saw the graffiti on the van The tears on her cheek, were as clean as a squeak A crack in the window and they ran Please let me hold you by the belt the fall is at least three stories down It's easier I swear, comb your teeth and brush your hair A few flights of steps and we're into town

"do you smoke opium?" he said As he offered the back seat of a cab If you have no quid, don't you even make a bid Don't worry, I'll just put it on your tab The yellow of the hood began to roar The seat became soft or so it seemed Just press it to your skin, and let the fun begin

The music inside your throat will make you scream There's a man coming from the south land Just coming off the fix, the sleeve tricks Strike it up if judah sticks The brass band, hold hands Right across the new land Have an accent pay your rent, at least conceal your identity

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The warble in the purple And the bubble's in trouble again You don't know me, but I'm famous You might even like me, given a chance I'm nervous, and I'm shaking

I'm toasted, and I'm still baking From the drug that gives this evening such romance "do you smoke opium?" he said As we walked into the early morning gray With my hand upon his sleeve, before I took my leave I said "no, and now I'll be on my way"