

## Rosalie, 1927: How Long Has This Been Going On?

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'Neath the stars, at bazaars  
Often I've had to caress men.  
Five or ten, dollars then, I'd collect from all those yes-men.  
Don't be sad, I must add, that they meant no more than chess-  
men.

Darling, can't you see?  
'Twas for charity?  
Though these lips have made slips, it was never really serious.  
Who'd have thought, I'd be brought to a state that's so delirio  
us?

I could cry salty tears.  
Where have I been all these years?  
Little wow, tell me now:  
How long has this been going on?

There were chills up my spine,  
And some thrills I can't define.  
Listen sweet, I repeat:  
How long has this been going on?

Oh, I feel that I could melt  
Into heaven I'm hurled.  
I know how Columbus felt  
Finding another world.

Kiss me once, then once more,  
What a dunce I was before.  
What a break, for heaven's sake,  
How long has this been going on?

Dear, when into your arms I creep;  
That divine rendezvous.  
Don't wake me if I'm asleep.  
Let me dream that it's true.

Kiss me twice, then once more--  
That makes thrice, let's make it four.  
What a break, for heaven's sake,  
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