

Daniel Cowman

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On the day that Daniel Cowman stopped existing
The world should have ended right then and there
At precisely four-fifteen when he stopped existing
The world should have ended
How could it go on?
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Oh and I don't exist
I don't exist ...

So now that we've got that straight
Doesn't mean that I can fly
Doesn't mean I that I can go do whatever I want.
Now that we've got that clear
And you know that I'm not here
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I please.

The premature ejaculation of his death
(sentence) hit Daniel in the face like a big round spitball hwk-pffffff.
And everything got hazy in the courtroom and then he stood up
And then he sat back down another two times in the row.
And everything got real slow like a gunshot in the movies
And he remembered heroin boy walking in through the door
Bouncing off the walls and the floor
Taking off his belt taking off his pants
Filling up the bathtub
Getting ready to go in for a swim.
Singing I don't exist
I don't exist ...

And now that we've got that straight,
Doesn't mean that I can fly
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I want.
Now that we've got that clear
And you know that I'm not here
Doesn't mean that I can go do whatever I please.
And you start remembering and remembering and remembering
And remembering...

The heroin boy, he walked through the door,
And he was screaming
And I was like 'why's you screaming like it's the end of the world?'
And he was like 'well it is.'
And I was sitting in the corner with my pants down
And I was sure that someone next door was blowing up balloons
And it was red and orange.

And there was that swell lady at the bar just tryin to buy gin
And there was this other lady at the bar and she was tryin to sell gin
It worked out good for the boths of them.

And heroin boy started taking off his belt,
Started taking off his pants,
Started taking off his shoes
Started filling up the bathtub
Getting ready to go in for a swim

I says "No-o.
You're goin to drown.
He says 'No,
I can't drown.
Simply because...

Shhhhhhhh.

A man destined to hang
Can never drown,
A man destined to hang
Can never drown,
A man destined to hang
Can never ever drown.

A man destined to drown
Can never burn,
A man destined to drown
Can never burn,
A man destined to drown
Can never ever burn.

A man destined to fry
Can never ever ever
A man destined to fry
Can never ever ever
A man destined to fry
Can never ever ever die...
In any other way but frying,
Lucky that I'm dying
By hanging and not drowning.

So now that we've got that straight
Can't I just be left alone?
I want to take a fuckin' bath