

Faded Flowers

Shriekback

This is the sound of poisons
The sickness no one knows
No one is crying for us this time
Our shapes are blurring under miracles of snow
Weave a circle round him three times
You have to plan your moves at these times
Our hearts are breaking
One more song to go

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Only the anacrusis
The main event remains
Shameful and naked, out there in the
Great cold outdoors
We have to do these things again
Bathe in this incandescent glow
The leap to something I don't know
There is no doubt upon us when
The greasy men come back again

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