He intermitted honesty by adding up his dignity He put it in his pocketbook, a wooden nickel in his sheath (That's why we say) Love, fend it off (We say) Love, fend it off He'd leave her heart in misery She'd leave it in his company If ever he would relegate A love for her to imitate (We say) Love, fend it off (That's why we say) Love, fend it off (You know we say) Love, fend it off Fend it off I've fallen from grace In a million disguises All over this game There's a lot to be said For the women who fled me All gone, you're still stained