Northsea Train

The Walkabouts

The rain crawls up the coast I know you hate This one-way chase A drunk, his wife and her friend The drunk tries to stand The friend says lay right there Now it's all tower blocks And blood blue flags And closed up shops The guardhouse light turns off As the rain stops cold crawls back alone They're lining up the last suspects Beneath a rusty glow

The Northsea train's on time Northsea train

The procession is unsure It's full of strays With mongrel names They know not what they've done And at least today That'll be okay Hooded coats in zigzag rows Draggin' coal back to their homes

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Collecting pieces of us all As if their cargo, will break our fall

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Vanquished from all Rhyme and duty I'm struck and stranded Vanished neath the beauty

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