After The Ball

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You light on my feet Fine and so fleet So indiscreet We should meet around midnight You may be insincere You whisper in my ear Some words that may be unclear But they sound so right

And my head begins to spin When my heart says it's a sin Never let the dance begin Once again to begin

You have your way with the women You who captivate with your rhythm I can't quite forget or forgive them

I'm not just a doll built for the ball After I fall dancing is all you may recall After the ball

I remember well elegant swell The spell you weave very well in the moonlight Every move you make Your flashing eyes would break The hardest heart in Atlanta it just ain't right.

You, a master of the game Me a moth and you a flame You don't even know my name Just a dame All the same

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So do your worst You'll be my first At last in love I'm lost and long to care

Free from it all Fated to fall My femme fatale Always on call Winsome withal After the ball