

## Smear the Queen

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slap your cheeks for color  
and suck your stomach to your spine  
it's alright, it's alright, you look fine

horsewhipped you'll forever be  
but much as his love runs down your thigh

throw your arms around my neck  
& throw the rest against my chest  
you woke up with your hands down  
someone else's stretch-pants  
held your breath 'til you blacked out  
wash his taste out of your mouth  
surprised that i could stomach it

led him by the halter  
put the blinders on your eyes

it's time, it's time, you look like mine

a man you can never be  
but just as the horseflies crowd your eyes  
i tried, i tried  
so before you change your mind

throw your belt around my neck  
a brick in the small of the back  
smear the queen  
they bashed his teeth in with an elbow cast  
held his throat 'til he passed out  
count the men inside your mouth  
surprised that you could stomach it

bridle yourself for secret love  
an armful of charm  
held up in hotel Golgotha  
the bridegroom of blood

useless & covetous of love  
it's over & over  
the pale horse you should be frightened of  
the horror, the horror

a kiss on the forehead  
a kiss for the lip strap  
a kiss on the nose band  
a kiss on the throat latch