Natural Disaster

Andrew Bird

Look upon the field of snow and find the desert sea

Under the ice the springs will flow to release

Fecundates like a natural disaster, disasterFrom the first drop of water to the rage of Niagara

Collapse upon the forest floor and down upon your knees

Anthurium Lacrimae decays underneath the canopies

Like a natural disaster, a disasterIt's the one that's been happening over and over again

No peace in the valleys, malarial alleys where the kittens have pleurisyDonning our goggles, Valerian ogles to

see microscopically

A colony of dermestids, undressed and digested

A gray spotted owl and a wolf with a lung diseaseCollapse upon the forest floor and down upon your knees

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