Rock Paper Scissors

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It's rock paper scissors as to whether

I will get over you at all

It's hand against hand and both hands are mine

It's standing in a circular line

Which is not to say that I'm not also happyA happy meal with a surprise inside

Surprise, surprise is another bright light in your eyes

Exposing all the stuff you're not calculating enough to hideThis melancholy that I carry makes me feel so grown up

At my kitchen table doing shots of resignation
I never thought I'd see the day when I would I say I give up
And break the stallions of my wildest expectationsBut I do not want to know you this way
Surrounded by so much pain

But how am I supposed to let go of you this way
Like a bird into the sky of my brain?I think, I could accept all these dark colors
As just part of some bigger color scheme

If it wasn't for that drippy string quartet of sadness
Underscoring each smiling sceneDesire drags me right out of myself
Like a gas-soaked rope tied to a piece of coal

And I'm getting pretty good at looking at the bright side
While the flames rip along the sand and, and swallow me wholeBut this melancholy that I carry makes me feel
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