Matinee Idol

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This is the day
The day of the death
The death of the matinee idol
Still so beautiful as the angels
came down from on high So sweet

As the angels came down from on highSo sweet and so soft

So charmingly daft

So young was the matinee idol

Lips of crimson slightly open

As the flash and all fame put to restWalk, walk along that wall

No it is not from the academy

Walk, walk along that wall

From this moment you'll cease to be

The undying love of the public eyeSo goes one more

Away from the maze

Away for to sit at the table

Above babel, far from this world

While standing on the boulevardWalk, walk along that wall

No it is not from the academy

Walk, walk along that wall

From this moment on you'll cease to beBut still, whomever has looked at

Looked at beauty is marked out

Is marked out already by death

Whomever has looked at

Looked at beauty is marked out

Is marked out already by deathStill so beautiful as the angels

As the angels came down from on high

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