The Graduates

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[Verse 1]
We were the French club dropouts
But we never got excused from class
The secretary must have been high
To turn a blind eye on us sneaking out back
And we were pregnant on the balcony
And you caught me with a cigarette
I never put the thing on my lips
Just crushed it and spit on where I laid it to rest[Chorus]
I was the best at being second place
But now I'm just the runner-up
At being the second one you think of every day
Before you go back to one[Verse 2]
We were the law school rejects
So we quarrelled at the bar instead
Shot out in four words or less
You want a jail, you want a mess, you have the right to drink less
Then we were floating on a balcony
And I fell into a trampoline
I never should've looked for a hand
From an invisible pushmi-pullyu pushin' on me[Chorus]
I was the best at being second place
But now I'm just the silver you dread
And only in the shape of a bullet
Am I ever the shape you see when you wake up dead[Bridge]
So will you cauterize the bleeding or bastardize the meaning?
I'm the one worth seeing
As a waif, a friend, I guess that's the extent
More than assisted when you cut inside the paper
To project it from the lighthouse and eject it out into the void[Outro]
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