

Pledge Allegiance

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We're just the braces amidst
These selfish trials and fits
Not so safe or scared or dumb is the rest
Our unravelling has just
Enough of it here to be
Drown propped up and watching
You stare at us pull you down
You read the news
You take the vows
You blame the costs
We play the chords
Now the only course
That traces an end
To the violence
Has left us without any
Chance to stand our ground
... Stand up and ...
March
Get back in line and
Fight
The time to start is
Now
Don't let yourself play the
Fool
There's no way out
Placatingly wound we search
Without purpose the game ends
Promise me today
So tomorrow's a new surprise
All these sores lingering
Shutdown and loving it

The greedy hands will lie
But we stand ready to strike
Yours' is the blood
Theirs' the first
The speed the greed
The machines and the paper dolls
We didn't want this

We didn't need this
We couldn't see it coming
But we're to blame for it
... Stand up and ...
March
Get back in line and
Fight
The time to start is
Now
Don't let yourself play the
Fool
There's no way out
Watch us coming
While you drop away
Bow your fucking heads
And pray for us
Cause it's my time
And it's our side
You can't stop us any longer
Bow your head
Pray for us
It's our time
It's our side

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