

How Long Has This Been Going On?

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As a tot, when I trotted in little velvet panties,
I was kissed by my sisters, my cousins, and my aunties.
Sad to tell, it was hell, an inferno worse than Dante's. So my dear I swore,
"Never, never more !"

On my list, I insisted that kissing must be crossed out.
Now, I find I was blind, and oh my! How I lost out! I could cry salty tears,
Where have I been all these years?

Little wow, tell me now,
How long has this been going on? There were chills up my spine,
And some thrills I can't define.

Listen, sweet, I repeat,
How long has this been going on? Oh, I feel that I could melt,
Into Heaven I'm hurled!

I know how Columbus felt,
Finding another world. Kiss me once, then once more.

What a dunce I was before.

What a break! For Heaven's sake!

How long has this been going on? Dear, when in your arms I creep,
That divine rendezvous,

Don't wake me, if I'm asleep,

Let me dream that it's true! Kiss me twice, then once more.

That makes thrice, let's make it four!

What a break! For Heaven's sake!

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