The Amorous Humphrey Plugg

Scott Walker

Hello Mr. Big Shot

Say, you're looking smart

I've had a tiring day

I took the kids along to the parkYou've become a stranger

Every night with the boys

Got a new suit

That old smile's come back

And I kiss the children good night

And I slip away on the newly waxed floorI've become a giant

I fill every street

I dwarf the rooftops

I hunchback the moonStars dance at my feet

Leave it all behind me

Screaming kids on my knee

And the telly swallowing me

And the neighbor shouting next door

And the subway trembling the roller-skate floorI seek the buildings blazing with moonlight

In Channing Way

Their very eyes seem to suck you in with their laughter

They seem to sayYou're all right now

So stop a while behind our smile

In Channing WayOh to die of kisses

Ecstasies and charms

Pavements of poets will write that I died

In nine angel's armsAnd they all were smiling

Still seductive as sin in their eyes

The man I had been

No more hard luck stories to wear

Nothing left to give

Why the hell should I careAnn knows my smile and buries my shadow

In Channing Way

And with her cellophane sighs

Corrina the candle

Begs me to stayYou're all right now

So stop a while behind our smile

In Channing Way

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