Marcie

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Marcie in a coat of flowers

Stops inside a candy store

Reds are sweet and greens are sour

Still no letter at her doorSo she'll wash her flower curtains

Hang them in the wind to dry

Dust her tables with his shirt and

Wave another day goodbyeMarcie's faucet needs a plumber

Marcie's sorrow needs a man

Red is autumn green is summer

Greens are turning and the sandAll along the ocean beaches

Stares up empty at the sky

Marcie buys a bag of peaches

Stops a postman passing byAnd summer goes

Falls to the sidewalk like string and brown paper

Winter blows

Up from the river there's no one to take her
To the seaMarcie dresses warm its snowing
Takes a yellow cab uptown
Red is stop and green's for going

See's a show and rides back downDown along the Hudson river
Past the shipyards in the cold
Still no letter's been delivered
Still the winter days unfoldLike magazines
Fading in dusty gray attics and cellars

Dream back to summer and hear how
He tells her wait for meMarcie leaves and doesn't tell us
Where or why she moved away?
Red is angry green is jealous
That was all she had to saySomeone thought, they saw her Sunday
Window shopping in the rain
Someone heard she bought a one-way ticket
And went west again

Make a dream

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