Nautical

Protest the Hero

The day civil glory dismembered my civility I could have parted ribs and flesh like a different kind of Red Sea Drowned the ancient east in western custom progress And the least of all our pride and sentiments Which turned out to be the closest thing

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To a fashion trend that's ever been put on trialThe rest was cast off as denial of statehood and mastery

The ultimate form of treason is the treacherous use of reason

The treacherous useEmployed by the bastard sons of American

Fore-fathers who keep this fire burning

With the flesh of their would-be American daughters

Daughters, daughters What will happen to our children when the least of us pass on? Us who fought the monsters of our country's crowded closet

Us who dropped the bombs on goodness when we saw it wasn't flawless

Us whose youthful life was hostage to what harm did

Who fought the hardest to be swept under the carpetAnd I'm still a cigarette, softly smoking on the edge of a metal ashtray

I begged this place to let me burn and it whispered, "Burn away"

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