Barrytown

Steely Dan

I'm not one to look behind I know that times must change But over there in Barrytown They do things very strangeAnd though you're not my enemy I like things like they used to be And though you'd like some company I'm standing by myself Go play with someone elseI can see by what you carry That you come from BarrytownDon't believe I'm taken in By stories I have heard I just read the daily news And swear by every wordAnd don't think that I'm out of line For speaking out for what is mine I'd like to see you do just fine But look at what you wear And the way you cut your hairI can see by what you carry That you come from BarrytownIn the beginning we recall That the word was hurled Barrytown people got to be From another worldLeave me or I'll be Just like the others you will meet They won't act as kindly If they see you on the streetAnd don't you scream or make a shout It's nothing you can do about It was there when you came out It's a special lack of grace

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