The Dog-Ear Years

Jethro Tull

Rusted and ropy

Dog-eared old copy

Vintage and classic

Or just plain Jurassic

All words to describe meRelaxed in the knowledge

That happily present

Are all things to sustain me

Nurture and claim me

Roll back the mileageOh, you have settled beside me

To the far and the wide of me

A matter of choosing

Of finding and losing

On the rough ride with meTake whiskey with water

Kick stones down the gutter

Think back to long days with

Stale breath recycled in my faceRattling through airways

Plastic on cold trays

Watching through windows

Deep landscapes below

Another time and spaceThere must come some time

To walk through the night line

Hands tight, heads high

These are the dog-ear yearsDon't turn back, don't linger

For God's sake keep moving

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