Medicine Bottle

Red House Painters

Giving in to love

And sharing my time

Letting someone into my misery

I told it all step by stepHow I landed on the island

And how I swim across the sea

And it crosses my mind

That I may awake to a knife in meNo more breath in my hair or ladies underwear

Tossed up over the alarm clock

Blood dripping from the bed to a neatly written poem

Heartfelt last line readingThere is no more mystery

Is it going to happen, my love?

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Is it going to happen, my love?"It's all in my head", she said, "Morning after nightmare"

"You're building a wall", she said, "Higher than the both of us

So try living life instead of hiding in the bedroom

Show me a smile and I'll promise not to leave you"It happened under a rainy cloud

Passing through the dark south

We went into a big house

And slept in a small bedI didn't know you then

As well as you of me

We talked of our sad lives

And we went on separately And we went on separately

I found your overseas souvenirs

Holiday greeting cards

Those long forgotten high school fears"It's all in my head", I said

Banging on the piano

I've not been so alone

I thought, since kicking in the wombI drank so much tea

I wrote my letters in kanji

Around the block I walked and walked

Pretending you were with meNot wanting to die out here

Without youThe hurting never ends

Like birthdays and old friends, we forget

That this fresh blood and bone is human

Trading phone linesTrading lines

Unwilling to face

That love is found on the inside

Not the outsideAnd like a medicine bottle

In the cabinet, I'll keep you

And like a medicine bottle In my hand I will hold youAnd swallow you slowly As to last me a lifetime Without holding too tight I do not want to loseThe thrill that it gives me To look out from my window And sky without houses From my world in my bedroomIt's all in his head, she read In a girlfriend's self-help book It's all, 'cause he's making A war with himselfLike two sides of a wall That separates two countries He shuts out the world he once knew To love youNot wanting to die out here Without you Not wanting to die out here Without you

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