Matilda

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It started slowly
First a finger then a thumb
Matilda started disappearing in front of everyone
No one noticed how translucent she becomeAs one by one it started softly
First a fumble then a kiss
In all his dreams hed never seen perfection like this
No one noticed her hand tied as it isAs one by one the walkers left the park
And one by one the electric lights went dark
And one by one he buried her down in this hall
Ive got nothing to fearSomebody knows
That Im hiding down here
If I wiggle my toes, they gonna come find me
If I wiggle my toes, Im gonna get freeIt started slowly
Like a joining up of dots
Dolly on a doorstep and an empty cardboard box
The choir yawning as the final penny dropsAs one by one we called her name out loud
One by one we strained to hear a sound
And one by one our torch beam shown down in this hall
Ive got nothing to fearSomebody knows
That Im hiding down here
If I wiggle my toes, they gonna come find me
Somebody knows that Im under these stones
They gonna come find me

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