

The Byronic Man

Cradle of Filth

As lonely as a poet on the Walls of Jericho
Or the moon without the comfort of the stars
I am loathe to know it that a man without a soul
Is nothing but a split canopic jarI proved it, improved it
Drove a sonnet right through it
And in this state of bliss
Evil kissed with wet lips, pen-filled fingertipsWhich through me, far through me
Illuminati usually pissed
But with words of some hurts worth
I threw a party that extended God's listExciting new flames that my fame would claim for me
Reciting back the almanac of travestiesThey call me bad
Mad Caliban with manners dangerous to know
A passing fad
Taught in all debauch in excess and in cantoGrown wild, this child
Whole harems defiled
Faustina's and Mina's
Lady Libertine and her sisters between herWhat spread of lies when lovers die
Which circle of hell is mine when I arriveThey call me bad
Mad Caliban with manners dangerous to know
A passing fad
Taught in all debauch crow against the virgin snowGrown colder, my shoulder
Like a boulder beside her
And bolder, not wiser
My dark seed took up root inside herThat mouldered, where older
Beddings would hold a passionate sigh
But Laudanum and soda, Lord Numb coda
Merited a forest of inherited spiteFleeing grief for foreign maps
I still played vampire aristocrats
Unloading my gun in hot promiscuous lapsThen shooting swans in a gondola
I tripped my foot on a fallen star
And there's nothing like a mouthful of Venetian tar
To let you know just who you fucking areThe patron saint of heartache
I can't see my world is falling
The world is falling downThe patron saint of heartache
I can't see my world is falling
The world is falling downEverafter can they hear my laughter
The patron saint of heartache
Never craft a better bed of disaster
The patron saint of heartacheThey call me bad

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Whereupon I tell them to go fuck their mothers
And so on my grave

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