Antebellum

The Human Abstract

In the fall we circle through the leaves and talk about the little ones
And we smile but never say too much, the moment always vanishing
One by one the neighbor's lights come on
Our October day is almost goneI know the borderlines we drew between us
Keep the weapons down, keep the wounded safe
I know our antebellum innocence
Was never meant to see the light of our armistice dayIn the spring we climbed the rolling hills and talked about our budding plans
And we smiled, our faces like a mirror showing us our secret sides
But then the fights, the sharp words splintering the night
How I couldn't be what you'd need, but oh how I could make you bleedI know the borderlines we drew between us
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But how much would I give to have it back again?
How much did we lose to live this way?You'll go home, I'll stay here, seasons keep on marching
I'll stay here, you'll go home with only strangers watchingI know the borderlines we drew between us
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