

## **Costello Elvis**

### **"This Sad Burlesque"**

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Words: Mac Manus

Music: Cassidy (2:47)

I write in hopes that by the time you get this letter  
We may live to see a change for the better  
Or are we so devoted to these wretched selfish motives  
When the cold facts and figures all add up  
They cannot contradict this sad burlesque

This sad burlesque  
With miserable failures making entertainment of our  
fate  
Laughter cannot dignify or elevate  
This sad burlesque

Now can they recall being young and idealistic  
Before wading knee-deep in hogwash and arithmetic  
The pitying smirk  
The argument runs like clockwork  
Will run down eventually and splutter to a stop

P.S. Well by now you know the worst of it  
And we've heard all the alibis that they've rehearsed  
The smug predictions  
If it's not a contradiction  
Keep faith in human nature  
And have mercy on the creatures in this sad burlesque

SONG@: Romeo's Seance

Words: M.P. Thomas/Mac Manus

Music: M. Thomas/Mac Manus (3:33)

Is anyone there I can talk to?  
Give us a sign if you're with me  
CAN'T you see that I'm dying to hear you

EVERYONE ELSE HAS LOST INTEREST  
AND I'M ALL ALONE IN THIS DREAM HOUSE  
Though you're gone  
I don't feel like crying  
Romeo is calling you

Knock once or twice if you're out there  
Send me a message my sweetheart  
When I'm out and about I'll be coming to see you

IT ISN'T EASY TO LIVE WITH THIS MATRONLY FACE  
AT THE WINDOW  
Try to contact me, if you can see how I'm suffering  
Romeo is calling you

Scatter the paper and thimbles  
You can take care of the candles  
An unplugged radio plays. She is close NOW  
Me and my hand-holding baby walking the floor and  
the  
ceiling  
THIS IS the song SHE dictated this evening. Romeo is  
calling you ROMEO IS CALLING YOU

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