

## **Cex**

# **"Way Back Machine"**

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sometimes i can't afford to backslide  
i've been mining through my boyhood fantasies  
and finding that some of them still feel good to me  
still fit perfectly, working like a charm  
draped around my shoulders, old friends keep me  
warm  
in my parents car  
five full years of screaming with the stereo up  
so when i run i just push pedals, my feet barely budge

i've tried keeping the world out  
of my sovereign nation statino wagon  
the place where i felt safe to keep moving  
the scenery changes so i don't have to  
i still can't drink, still convinced  
if i can't do it myself doing it's worthless  
cuz the world will come out in the end from under  
you set yourself up when you're counting on others

i'm not sad, i'm passed desensitized  
friends drop like flies and cut their own lines  
and at the end of the day it's just me and my flat line  
send electricity, let me not smile  
let something puncture the numbing force field  
we erected young men to protect how we feel  
i've been mining by boyhood dreams

and i found one that never made sense to me  
up until now

that car takes a corner carelessly  
tearing its wheels from the street  
from the air to the trees by the side of the road  
twisted heaps of debris, shine of glass  
and the cold wet grass on my face  
some blood in my mouth, the taste washed out  
by the headlights passing on by

i'm lying, resting in the wreckage  
half asleep and completely defenceless  
no protection from scavengers, weather  
and a few days of rain

which worsens the smell of it all  
but no one complains, a crew will be called  
to scrape these remains eventually  
some cars slow down and kids crane their necks to see  
most just swerve left unimpressed, forgetting me

you can make your very own poison, despicable man  
begin by keeping him a boy for as long as you can  
and when the voice in his head says that everything's  
wrong  
let him think we'd convinced but only with the right  
song

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