

Elvis Costello "Poor Napoleon"

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I can't lie on this bed anymore it burns my skin
You can take the truthful things you've said to me
And fit them on the head of a pin

Poor Napoleon
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You always look so disappointed
When I take my stockings off
Don't you know the facts of life, boy?
Don't you know what these things cost?

She was selling stolen kisses
To traveling salesmen and minstrel singers
You put a penny in the slot
She called you her magic fingers

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I bet she isn't all that's advertised
I bet that isn't all she fakes
Just like that place where they take your spine
And turn it into soap flakes

Bare wires from the socket to the bed where you
embraced that girl
Did you ever think there's far too many people in the
world?
One day they'll probably make a movie out of all of this
There won't even have to be a murder, just a slow
dissolving kiss

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So good night little school boy
You better learn some self control
Did you mess up your hairstyle?
Pour scorn in your begging bowl

Poor Napoleon

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