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## **Bright Eyes** "Poison Oak"

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Poison oak, some boyhood bravery When a telephone was tin can on a string And I fell asleep with you still talking to me You said, you weren't afraid to die

In Polaroids, you were dressed in women's clothes Were you made ashamed, why'd you lock them in a drawer?

Well, I don't think that I ever loved you more

Than when you turned away, when you slammed the door

When you stole the car and drove towards Mexico And you wrote bad checks just to fill your arm I was young enough, I still believed in war

Well, let the poets cry themselves to sleep And all their tearful words will turn back into steam

But me, I'm a single cell on the serpent's tongue There's a muddy field where a garden was And I'm glad you got away but I'm still stuck out here My clothes are soaking wet from your brother's tears

And I never thought this life was possible You're the yellow bird that I've been waiting for

The end of paralysis, I was a statuette Now I'm drunk as hell on a piano bench And when I press the keys it all gets reversed The sound of loneliness makes me happier

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