

Iron & Wine

"Graces For Saints And Ramblers"

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There were banged up hens (?) stealing first base
underneath the tables so we never sang grace
falling out of bed for the workday week
there was kissing in the cracks of the flash flood
streets
there were button blossoms and merry Johnny rottens
(?)
chewed up and swallowed by the profit they were trying
to follow
Bit too green (?) and we paid no tax on our quick
romantic cul de sac

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there were washed out cars in our bark-old clothes
they were rubbing on each other rubbing ghost on
ghost
there were jonesed-up punks and Jesus freaks
weaving in and out of trouble wrapping round and
round a leash
there were sleepless dreamers, blues day preachers
the message and the messenger, gum beneath the
register
the sweet gum tree by the dug dunk tank (?)
we could never give enough to the bad-luck bank
there were hopeless sinners, sweepstake winners
they danced with the farmer's daughter, capered with
the corporate lawyers

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There was laughing in the night, sugar in the shade
there were backstab handshakes made on faith
we were never out of time and we never entertained

anybody said out of habit that the wind was going to
change
there were restless misfits, teething biscuits
bodies full of penny wishes, parties full of pretty dishes
side by side with the birds and bees
and we never sang grace and never ever took a knee
with the saints and ramblers, movie star handlers
high above the aviary, underneath the cemetery
and we never wondered why, 'cause the sun was in
our eyes
there was seed for the field, there was grease for the
wheel
we were drinking with the luminaries, eating with the
visionaries

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