Adolescents "Fifth Avenue"

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A promised phone call home to

A Minnesota mining town

From a tired hungry kid

Whom the Greyhound just let down

On the January snow in his canvas tennis shoes

The kid just took his first walk

Down the great Fifth Avenue

With a guitar on his shoulder

And a pocket full of songs

He's here to make his debut

He's here to right some wrongs

But he's a bit short on references

His future's hanging loose

Just another midnight cowboy

On the great Fifth Avenue

And in some noisy uptown night club

Or in a Bleeker Street cafe

With sweaty hands and shaky knees

He takes the stage

It ain't no friendly city

If you haven't got the bread

Cause those who have ain't sharing

With those who wish they had

Sleeping out in subways

Keeping warm on cheap booze

Living with the high and mighty

On the great Fifth Avenue

And in some noisy uptown night club

Or in a Bleeker Street cafe

With sweaty hands and shaky knees

He takes the stage

In a well guarded beach-house

On the California shore

A man lives with his loneliness

And the songs he writes no more

Not real sure where he came from

And no place to go to

Just some hazy memories

Of the great Fifth Avenue

[The Swedish version is more or less a description of

the Fifth Avenue - the

Chorus can be translated as "I take a taxi from Harlem / down to the Washington Square / five miles reflecting / a whole world".]

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