

Michael McGuire "Shameless Exhile"

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Well nobody gathered in the streets to watch him
leave, but he knew
that people are what they believe, because the truth is
to pure we
wanna twist it till it's shaped ugly and broken, and
there are ten bitter
thoughts for every kind word that is spoken, but blame
is the refuge of
a simple mind, they really think justice is literally blind,
so he left town
just as the evening sky was growing dim, guilty of only
what they
thought of him.
He felt more bewildered than he did hurt, you cant help
but feel a little
dirty when you've been treated like dirt, everybody in
town knew he
didn't murder his wife, but when they saw the body
and felt the pity
for that ruined life, just because they knew about his
lover on the edge
of town, they well he might as well have been the one
that cut her
down, they knew he couldn't do such a thing but they
held a grudge,
logic is law and emotion is a judge.
So in the blasphemy of desire he's a godless man, for
a town full of
envious losers it's easy to pretend not understand,
it's so easy to rally
against and fain impartial benevolence, gossip and
hearsay turn the
court not such trivial things as evidence, and these
same people who
used to praise his wisdom now curse his vanity, but
they just cover
their resentment and self doubt and call it sanity, they
wouldn't even
let him see the body there are rumors it wasn't even
his wife at all, just

a perfect excuse to set the high and mighty up for a
fall.
But his lover waits for him in a secret place, and
confusion doubt and
fear will vanish with one look into her face, and it's
over now it doesn't
matter fair play or foul, there can be no turning back
from this
shameless exile.
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