

## Siberry Jane

### "The Taxi Ride"

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it's clear to me now  
i understand  
a jump of cards  
in an idle man's hand  
ohhh... you're sleeping  
this is the story  
of your leaving

i can win you with reason  
i can make you agree  
the way that i love you  
it only makes sense  
that you love me  
but down through the sad facts  
i'm sifting  
you did not think this  
without help from me

i've called a taxi  
it's coming a dawn  
i said send the best one  
it's a long, long lonely ride  
to find the perfect lover  
for your lover  
and the morning light is breaking

\*\*\*i thought i heard  
someone screaming outside  
but it was just a bus  
pulling away\*\*\*

love is a strange thing  
it depends what one gives  
and sometimes to give means  
give someone away  
ohhhh... you're sleeping  
the same sad pillow  
said you're leaving

i move with your breathing  
i breathe with your beauty

your sweet heaviness  
your deep voice your soft neck press my face  
...did you call me?..  
it's only the trees outside flailing  
it's only the sirens that are wailing

hurry up driver  
you're going too slow  
can't you go faster  
it's a long, long, lonely ride  
to find the perfect lover  
for your lover  
and the morning light's just breaking

and then you realize you are alone  
and your skin against the cold  
metal of awareness you fall into  
a deeper dreamless slumber and  
a stranger enters the room and  
is struck by the transparency of  
your cheeks and then your arms  
and hands and wonders at the  
waxen figure and walks out again  
the stranger walks out into the  
street watching cars pass and  
people cross and scenery change  
he sees a palm frond thinks how  
ugly --- is surprised by the violence  
of the thought looks again at it  
feels nothing and walks on

a deep and dreamless slumber  
where only the slow pulse  
in the waxen temples keeps vigil

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