

## Van Dyke Parks

### "Clang Of The Yankee Reaper"

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The sun never set on the empire  
Prince Albert came in a can  
If you expire before you retire  
And end up an also-ran  
It's fine time to drink tea from China  
Do drop a line  
Let me know I am fine

Sun in the moonlight, in the moonlight  
Gone, just like I said  
The good old days are dead  
Better get it through your head  
As you harken to  
The clang of The Yankee Reaper  
It's like I said  
The good old days are dead  
As you harken to  
The clang of the Yankee Reaper

Out in the rude wild abandon  
The Shah of Iran bought the plan  
Seen with the Queen he was all smiles  
He just bailed out the British Isles  
It's time to drink tea from fine china  
Just think of him when your light  
Starts to dim

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Harken to the clang of the Yankee Reaper  
The good old days are dead  
As you harken to the clang

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