

Steely Dan "Barry Town"

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I'm not one to look behind I know that times must change

But over there in Barrytown they do things very strange

And though you're not my enemy

I like things like they used to be

And though you'd like some company

I'm standing by myself

Go play with someone else

I can see by what you carry that you come from Barrytown

Don't believe I'm taken in by stories I have heard

I just read the Daily News and swear by every word

And don't think that I'm out of line

For speaking out for what is mine

I'd like to see you do just fine

But look at what you wear

And the way you cut your hair

I can see by what you carry that you come from Barrytown

In the beginning we recall that the word was hurled

Barrytown people got to be from another world

Leave me or I'll be just like the others you will meet

They won't act as kindly if they see you on the street

And don't you scream or make a shout

It's nothing you can do about

It was there where you came out

It's a special lack of grace

I can see it in your face

I can see by what you carry that you come from Barrytown

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