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"The Silence"

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I acquired knowledge and remained a fool
And I required her to love me in my ignorance
She found that she could not save time
So she saved her breath
And she became the silence in my life
Was it the fear of god
Or just the fear of fear
That made a habit out of loving
And kept her here
You can't turn on the sunshine
Like you can turn off the light
So she became the darkness in my life
Loves quiet inefficiency ran us down
Left us like the feel good years
Left the old boomtown
I saw the ocean and the sea blue sky become one alone
As she became the silence in my life
I met you where the railway lines disappear
You said you learn to love among volunteers
But love involves conscription, sometimes when you're
young
But now we sing between the silence in my life
Sing between the silence in my life
She became the silence in my life

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