

## Mountain Goats, The

### "Cotton"

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This song is for the rats  
Who hurled themselves in to the ocean  
When they saw that the explosives in the cargo hold  
Were just about to blow

This song is for the soil  
That's toxic clear down to the bedrock  
Where no thing of consequence can grow  
Drop your seeds there  
Let them go

Let them all go  
Let 'em all go

This song is for the people  
Who tell their families that they're sorry  
For things they can't and won't feel sorry for

And once there was a desk  
And now it's in a storage locker somewhere  
And this song is for the stick pins and the cottons  
I left in the top drawer

Let 'em all go  
Let 'em all go

I wanna sing one for the cars  
That are right now headed silent down the highway  
And it's dark and there is nobody driving  
And something has got to give

I saw you waiting by the roadside  
You didn't know that I was watching  
Now you know  
Let it all go

Let 'em all go  
Let it all go

