These Are the Times

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When tides at ease on the evening breeze
And the scarlet moon starts its gentle rise
The drowsy whale spouts a misty trail,
And the stars gather slowly in the skies

These are the times when I know
How alone one can be
And I yearn to go once again
Back to my girl down in Port of Spain

On some distant shore as I walk the sand, And watch the lovers meet, They stand in the moonlight hand in hand, With the surf breaking over their feet.

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In Mandalay at a gay cafe
In the wee little hours of morn,
When guitars and violins end their play
With a hymn to the goddess of dawn

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