Courtship Of America

Hunters & Collectors

Fair weather friends they wished you well Showered you with admiration Now the glass is cracked but you can't turn back Don't let it break your concentration

Scratched your name on the dotted line For romance any risk is worth taking "Don't worry" they say "you'll be rich one day" Ten years later your hand is still shaking

Won't you take a chance my friend You've got nothing to lose in the end Come on scratch my back and I'll see you in America

Now when the piper calls the tune Songs of joy and desperation If you're flat on your face just keep your hair in place There'll be no lack of cheap conversation

So when you're wandering the streets At four o'clock in the morning There's only you and some stray sniffin' around Times Square' Way over there

So if you've got a message to send And it's driving you round the bend Come on scratch my back And I'll see you in America

They bought Manhattan for a song A few fishhooks for a nation At the scene of the crime what's yours will be mine If you give me the right combination

It's amazing who you meet When you're on your last legs and fading Merry go round again yeah I'll see you then But it'll take some heavy persuasion

Won't you take a chance my friend You got nothing to lose in the end Just swallow the bait before it's too late Come on I'll scratch your back if you scratch mine We'll schmooze each other 'til the end of time Into the heavens everlasting I'll see you in America

Come on and scratch my back When you're stuck in the track Take a chance my friend