I was runnin' through the summer rain tryin' to catch the evenin' train

And kill that old familiar pain weevin' through my tangled brain

When I tipped my bottle back I smacked into a cop I didn't see That policeman said Mr Cool if you're ain't drunk then you're a fool

I said if that's against the law tell me why I never saw
A man locked in that jail of yours who wadn't just as lowdown p
oor as me

Well that was when someone turned out the lights
And I wound up in jail to spend the night
And dream of all the wine and lonely girls in this best of all
possible worlds

Well I woke up next morning feelin' like my head was gone And like my thick old tongue was lickin' somethin' sick and wro ng

And I told that man I'd sell my soul if somethin' wet and cold is that old cell

That kindly jailer grinned at me all eaten up with sympathy
Then bought himself another beer and came and whispered in my e
ar

That booze was just a dime a bottle boy you couldn't even buy the smell

I said I knew there was somethin' I liked about this town
But it takes more than that to bring me down down
Cause there's still a lot of wine and lonely girls in this best
of all possible worlds

Well they finally came and told me they was a gonna set me free And I'd be leavin' town if I knew what was good for me I said it's nice to learn that everybody's so concerned about my health

I said I won't be leavin' no more quicker than I can
Cause I've enjoyed about this much of this as I can stand
And I don't need this town of yours more than I've never needed
nothing else

Cause there's still a lotta drinks that I ain't drunk
Lots of pretty thoughts that I ain't thought oh yeah
Lord there's still so many lonely girls in this best of all pos
sible worlds