## Maria

## **American Steel**

The say these colors don't run But they bleed in your face like a bully spitting up a bad taste after being knocked down a few pegs you sigh as hard as a rock it cuts your laugh lines absurd i'm smiling with irish eyes bloodshot christmas colored you don't know what you've got i'm falling apart at the seams i'm mending this fifth of old age minding these six strings it don't do me a damn that you got a pretty face baby it don't seem to you a damned thing

you got soothsayer nay-saying red herrings never spoke to us we don't believe in fate or metaphor they got healing lips but their tongues are poison tipped

maria, the moment is right to make them take a step back maria on your quietest night well make them rue the day they met you

im whistling with conviction like a young man in love like a young man with his pride on sale baby join the club well you're just darling with your exclaimed travesties its a long road so keep your chin up

you got soothsayer nay-saying red herrings never spoke to us we don't believe in fate or metaphor they got healing lips but their tongues are poison tipped

maria, the moment is right to make them take a step back maria on your quietest night well make them rue the day they met you

i once held a stone also
staring at you naked
daring us to throw
maria you see the good in everything
now i know stones and bones fall
to where they came from

maria, the moment is right to make them take a step back maria on your quietest night well make them rue the day they met you