

# Mary

Big Thief

Burn up with the water  
The floods are on the plains  
The planets in a rose  
Who knows what they contain?  
And my brain is like an orchestra  
Playing on, insane  
Will you love me like you loved me in the January rain?

Mom and Dad and violins  
Somber country silence  
The needle stopped the kicking  
The clothes pins on the floor  
And my heart is playing hide and seek  
Wait and count to four  
Will you love me like you loved me and I'll never ask for more

What did you tell me Mary  
When you were there so sweet and very  
Full of field and stars  
You carried all of time  
Oh and, heavens, when you looked at me  
Your eyes were like machinery  
Your hands were making artifacts in the corner of my mind

Monastery monochrome  
Boom balloon machine and oh  
Diamond rings and gutter bones  
Marching up the mountain  
With our aching planning  
High and smiling  
Cheap drink  
Dark and violent  
Full of butterflies  
The violent tenderness  
The sweet asylum  
The clay you find is fortified  
We felt unfocused fade the line  
The sugar rush  
The constant hush  
The pushing of the water gush  
The marching band  
When April ran  
May June bugs fly and  
Push your gin Jacob  
With the tired wiry brandy look  
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We overcome the sirens  
We look both left and right  
And I can feel the numbness accompany my plight  
And I know that someday soon I'll see you  
But now you're out of sight  
And you'll kiss me like you used to in the January night

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