

The Heel

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The man who has me for his own is on the town and I'm alone
In his new suit and his blue tie
He slammed that door without goodbye

Tonight my eyes are jealous green
Tonight I'm feeling mighty mean
He meets in secret rendezvous
Some gal to tell his troubles to
That dirty low down heel

He'll promise her most anything a sable coat a diamond ring
And she'll find out when it's too late and all she'll get will be the gate

But while the dawn's a distant thing in his embrace her heart will sing
Her dizzy head will spin with lies
And all too soon a woman cries
That dirty low down heel

The neon lights that flash below ignite my room with devil glow
And in the gloom I hear a laugh that's coming from his photograph

I ring my hands and walk the floor and swear to even up the score
For where a kitten cries tonight a panther waits to claw and bite
That dirty low down heel

I dare not play my radio one more complaint and out I go
I'm sick of playing solitaire the ace of spades is everywhere

There'll be no sleep for me tonight the sheep I count are never white
They all turn out to be jet black and whose the leader of the pack
The heel

At dawn I know he'll stagger in demanding coffee black as sin and
As I pour it from the tin it'll slip a little powder in

He'll ring his hands and start to cry and cross his heart and hope to die and
d mumble
I know how you feel but I've been on a business deal
The heel

But as the pot begins to perk I know my plan will never work and as he starts
to drink it up
I'll take his hand and break the cup

It's only jealousy I know that's brought my thinking down so low
Why must I just sit here and grieve
Why don't I just pack up and leave
That dirty low down heel

But now he's really on the stairs I try to act like I don't care
For in my heart's arithmetic I find it takes two heels to click

We're in our world of love and hate where it will end is up to fate
And I'll let him have his little fling and be the chewing gum that clings
To that dirty low down heel
That low down lovable heel