

Non-Stop

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After the war I went back to New York

A-after the war I went back to New York

I finished up my studies and I practiced law

I practiced law, Burr worked next door

Even though we started at the very same time
Alexander Hamilton began to climb
How to account for his rise to the top?
Maaaaan, the man is

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Gentlemen of the jury, I'm curious, bear with me
Are you aware that we're making hist'ry?
This is the first murder trial of our brand-new nation
The liberty behind deliberation

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I intend to prove beyond a shadow of a doubt
With my assistant counsel

Co-counsel
Hamilton, sit down
Our client Levi Weeks is innocent
Call your first witness
That's all you had to say

Okay
One more thing

Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?
Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?
Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?
Soon that attitude may be your doom

Awwww

Why do you write like you're running out of time? (Why do you write like you
're running out of time?)
Write day and night like you're running out of time?
Ev'ry day you fight, like you're running out of time (Ev'ry day you fight, l
ike you're running out of time)
Keep on fighting in the meantime
(Non-stop!)

Corruption's such an old song that we can sing along in harmony
And nowhere is it stronger than in Albany
This colony's economy's increasingly stalling and honestly
That's why public service seems to be calling me ([Burr and Ensemble:] He's
just non-stop!)

I practiced the law, I practic'ly perfected it
I've seen injustice in the world and I've corrected it

Now for a strong central democracy
If not, then I'll be Socrates
Throwing verbal rocks at these mediocrities

Awww

Hamilton, at the Constitutional Convention

I was chosen for the Constitutional Convention

There as a New York junior delegate

Now what I'm going to say may sound indelicate

Awwww

Goes and proposes his own form of government! (What?)
His own plan for a new form of government! (What?)

Talks for six hours! The convention is listless

Bright young man

Yo, who the f is this?

Why do you always say what you believe?
Why do you always say what you believe? (Why do you always say what you believe?)
Ev'ry proclamation guarantees
Free ammunition for your enemies
(Awww!)

Why do you write like it's
Going out of style? (Going out of style, hey!)
Write day and night like it's
Going out of style? (Going out of style, hey!)

Ev'ry day you fight like it's
Going out of style
Do what you do

Alexander?

Aaron Burr, sir

Well, it's the middle of the night

Can we confer, sir?

Is this a legal matter?

Yes, and it's important to me

What do you need?

Burr, you're a better lawyer than me

Okay

I know I talk too much, I'm abrasive
You're incredible in court
You're succinct, persuasive
My client needs a strong defense

You're the solution

Who's your client?

The new U.S. Constitution

No

Hear me out

No way

A series of essays, anonymously published
Defending the document to the public

No one will read it

I disagree

And if it fails?

Burr, that's why we need it

The constitution's a mess

So it needs amendments

It's full of contradictions

So is independence
We have to start somewhere

No, no way

You're making a mistake

Good night

Hey
What are you waiting for?
What do you stall for?

What?

We won the war
What was it all for?
Do you support this constitution?

Of course

Then defend it

And what if you're backing the wrong horse?

Burr, we studied and we fought and we killed
For the notion of a nation we now get to build
For once in your life, take a stand with pride
I don't understand how you stand to the side

I'll keep all my plans
Close to my chest (Wait for it, wait for it, wait...)
I'll wait here and see

Which way the wind will blow
I'm taking my time
Watching the afterbirth of a nation
Watching the tension grow

I am sailing off to London
I'm accompanied by someone who always pays
I have found a wealthy husband
Who will keep me in comfort for all my days
He is not a lot of fun, but there's no one
Who can match you for turn of phrase
My Alexander

Angelica

Don't forget to write

Look at where you are
Look at where you started
The fact that you're alive is a miracle
Just stay alive, that would be enough
And if your wife could share a fraction of your time
If I could grant you peace of mind
Would that be enough?

Alexander joins forces with James Madison and John Jay to write a series of essays defending the new United States Constitution, entitled The Federalist Papers. The plan was to write a total of twenty-five essays, the work divided evenly among the three men. In the end, they wrote eighty-five essays, in the span of six months. John Jay got sick after writing five. James Madison wrote twenty-nine. Hamilton wrote the other fifty-one

How do you write like you're
Running out of time? (Running out of time?)
Write day and night like you're
Running out of time? (Running out of time?)

Ev'ry day you fight like you're
Running out of time (Running out of time)
Like you're
Running out of time (Running out of time)
Are you running out of time? (Awwww!)

How do you write like tomorrow won't arrive?
How do you write like you need it to survive?
How do you write ev'ry second you're alive?
Ev'ry second you're alive?
Ev'ry second you're alive?

They are asking me to lead
I am doing the best I can
To get the people that I need
I'm asking you to be my right hand man

Treasury or State?

I know it's a lot to ask

Treasury or State?

To leave behind the world you know

Sir, do you want me to run the Treasury or State department?

Treasury

Let's go

Alexander

I have to leave

Alexander

Look around, look around at how lucky we are to be alive right now

Helpless

They are asking me to lead

Look around, isn't this enough?

He will never be satisfied

(What would be enough)

He will never be satisfied (To be satisfied)

Satisfied (Satisfied)

Satisfied (Satisfied)

History has its eyes on you

[Burr:] Why do you assume you're the smartest in the room?

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Soon that attitude's gonna be your doom

[Eliza:] Look around! Look around! Isn't this enough? What would be enough?

[Wash/Mull/Laur/Laf:] History has its eyes on you

[Angelica:] He will never be satisfied, satisfied, satisfied

[All:] Non-Stop! Non-Stop! Non-Stop! Non-Stop

Why do you fight like

History has its eyes on you

I am not throwin' away my shot! (Just you wait!)

I am not throwin' away my shot! {Just you wait!}

I am

Alexander Hamilton! {Alexander Hamilton}

{Hamilton, just you wait!}

I am not throwin' away my shot