

One String Blues

Regina Spektor

Got me a pair of dreary eyes
Pale color blue on pale color white
Sometimes they cry, sometimes they dry
Pale color blue upon pale color
Well, I got me a pair of dreary eyes
And they tell no lies

I got me some lips, but they taste no sweet
I got me some lips, but they taste no sweet
They're as dry as the old concrete
Beaten up New York street
Taste no sweet
They taste no sweet

If only my baby would come back home to me
Oh, if only my baby would come back home to me
I would go to sleep with sugar on my tongue
I would go to sleep with sweetness in my lungs
I would go to sleep wrapped inside her skin
And I don't care what they say but it ain't no sin
Oh it ain't no sin
Oh it ain't no sin

So me and Poseidon, we've been hanging 'round the water hole
And he says to me, he says, "Regina
Regina I got no authority no more
No one waits to hear the sound of my flip-flops by the door
And all my little fish have gone to war."
So I says to him, I says, "Poseidon dear
You're better off than me I hear
'Cause I've been taking all the wrong busses everywhere
Wrong busses lead me to wrong stops
Wrong stops lead me to wrong people
Wrong people, they take me nowhere fast."
So he says to me, he says, "You going nowhere fast."
Just 'cause he didn't want me speaking last
And I didn't think that that was real polite

And he whips out his cigarettes and asks me for a light
And I say, "no," and he said, "oh baby"
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And I said, "no," and he said, "oh baby"
And then he just doesn't speak
So we just sit there and stare till five, six, oh hell
And I try not to wince at his fishy smell
'Cause I didn't think that that was real polite

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Got me a pair of dreary eyes
Pale color blue on pale color white
Sometimes I cry, sometimes they dry
Pale color blue, like the dingy sky

Pale color blue
Upon pale color blue
Upon pale color blue
Upon pale color white