You'd a' Thought (Leonard Cohen Must Die)

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I'm running round in circles and I'm chasing my tail
Carving my initials with a rusty nail
Betraying my intentions man it happens without fail
 You'd a' thought that I'd know better by now

  It might be some dark secret I keep bottled up inside
Or just some miniscule transgression
I shouldn't have tried to hide
It's not the size that matters, it's deceit she can't abide
 You'd a' thought that I'd know better by now

  And of course she knows, 'cause I can't fool her
And I know she knows, 'cause she don't fool me
 And she knows I know she knows and we might discuss it eventua
lly
When the pressure builds 'til it blows the seals all out from i
n between
 You'd a' thought that we'd know better by now

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You'd have thought we'd understand
Through all the smoke and mirrors
 I guess we do the best we can
 Hiding out without a doubt it's getting out of hand
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  And I've seen the phantoms hiding in the shadows in her eyes
It's not that I'm not threatened, it's just that I'm not surpri
sed
 "Good for the gander," said the old folks, but they lied
 You'd a' thought that we'd know better by now

They circle up the wagons, expressing deep dismay
When we know all the words that they can't bring themselves to
say
 There's so much they never tell you, there's so much they hide
 away
You'd a' thought that they'd know better by now

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