## **This Old Dark Machine**

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Spring it came upon us, Every insect filled the air Dropped their wings upon my brother, Cast their shadows on his hair

If we follow where they're leading, We will surely come before Some unseen and wondrous magic Made of visions to explore

Near the town where we were living Lay an old abandoned farm Every year we'd plant an orchid In the shelter of its arm To protect us from the madness Of the future still to come It will be like this forever It will keep us safe from harm

Then they caught us in the summer Dressed in father's finest clothes You the hat he wore to market I the jacket filled with holes

I've been searching all these hours For a hand as pale as bone That would keep the strongest sunlight And reflect the brightest stone

Near the town where we were living Was a warm and fragrant smell Of that orchid we had planted Now a forest tall and well What a statue to our greatness What a story all will tell They'll remember us forever They'll remember where we fell

This old dark machine, it shakes and it shudders Pulls to the left, then dies near the gutter But still in the road, the traffic is silent The people they stare, and then they turn violent If they should touch, the hem of your dress I would rise like a lion, strike out again The faithful they wait, the faithful they wait By the sign

Near the town where we were living Came a loud and joyous sound As the earth and all her beauty Picked us up from off the ground Carried far across the mountain To a kingdom never bound We will live like this forever I will love you I will love you Tištěnoz pisnicky-akordy.cz