E.M.P.T.Y.

The Clientele

When I'm riding home at night now I get in so tired To the saws and bows that spell out E-M-P-T-Y

But driving west now Half-past five My skin is cut My hands are knives I could be anyone alive But I just can't fit And it's too late to quit

When the night air comes to me I wonder if the days I've lived through count

With the world strung like a rosary Through faces moving in the crowd

What is the color and the number When happiness begins? When the knight waits in the laurels Hesitating...

I found a clarity I've never known In fag-end weeks before I left for school The darkness in the pylons And the smoke and creosote Cancelling the faces that we knew

Did they forget the light inside your eyes? Those simple words, those lovers' signs? The hand is dealt, the cards are played But i just can't fit And it's too late to quit

I saw them, and I knew them all Inside a sheet of flame I saw them, and I knew them all Inside a sheet of flame

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