August 6Th mewithoutYou

[Verse]

Bm I

Aug. 6th, carved in desks with old knives:

Α

"Back when our common cause was alive

Bm

And--let's say--the hyacinth fields were in bloom

D

Children watched as the soldiers marched by

Α

All the birds fell like frogs from the sky

Βm

Prostrate in the streets every crescent moon

Lonesome offspring of which still resound

Α

With the victimless sins of their authors passed down

Bm

And the remnants of loathsome, disjointed worlds

D

Along the short path round the lily pad pond

Α

With off-white deerskin wedding dress on

Bm

German songs, homemade bonnets like old-order, amish girls jilted by squirrels

In the parks of Sioux Falls haunted by church bells

Α

Like ghosts of applause and the earth deep down tire-stacked walls like

Bm I

Α

New Mexico, peaceful as moth-bitten pincushion dolls making up myths about wounds without cause... $\hat{a} \in \bullet$

Bm

And sometimes when it's quiet my heart feels like Guernica

D

[scenes from old air raid] on screens in blue dusk

Α

Perfumed neighborhoods/graveyards the breath feels like flies in my lungs, voice like ambulance

Bm

Sirens whose light floods the ground

D

("praying mantis spreads arms― said the lines of whose palm?)

Α

Skyline shifting like clouds became "airplane descends―

 \mathbf{Bm}

[fade to scenes on the ground] human foreheads all smashed

D

Foreign cars upside down, insect mouths open wide

I stared down a huge insect, bright red-glowing eyes

Bm

[does it feel wrong to say a thought "metastasized―?], legs on both highway sides

[Break]

F#m A G

(Said insect was mechanized!)

F#m A G Em

F#m A G

(Said insect was mechanized!)