Brooklyn Roads

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If I close my eyes I can almost hear my mother Callin', "Neil, go find your brother Daddy's home, and it's time for supper Hurry on" And I see two boys Racin' up two flights of staircase Squirmin' into Papa's embrace And his whiskers warm on their face Where's it gone Oh, where's it gone Two floors above the butcher First door on the right Life filled to the brim As I stood by my window And I looked out of those **Brooklyn Roads** I can still recall The smells of cookin' in the hallways Rubbers drying in the doorways And report cards I was always Afraid to show Mama'd come to school And as I'd sit there softly crying Teacher'd say, "He's just not trying He's got a good head if he'd apply it" But you know yourself It's always somewhere else I built me a castle With dragons and kings And I'd ride off with them As I stood by my window And looked out on those **Brooklyn Roads** Thought of going back But all I'd see are stranger's faces And all the scars that love erases But as my mind walks through thoses places I'm wonderin' What's come of them Does some other young boy

Come home to my room

Does he dream what I did As he stands by my window And looks out on those Brooklyn Roads Brooklyn Roads

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