## **Slate**

## **Uncle Tupelo**

A worn out joke to keep the flies away Carried it this far Got the west side winds to keep it steady We bury the hatchets we findCould carry that heavy load I really thought it would matter Farcical hair appears As a blind side, clean the slateWorking in the halls of shame Lay it down in full view, lay it down What the hell were we thinking Before the fire burned out? I can't find you now And I didn't know you then Loneliness drinks the bitters Till the cold winds warm againIt's a feel for the game Mouth open wide, screams and hollers Working in the halls of shame Lay it down in full view, lay it downI gambled once and won, never made a dollar And beauty fades to gray And I pray the very best will guard her And provide the way It's a tell-tale sign When it's chairs up and time to go Working in the halls of shame Lay it down in full view, lay it down

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