Cemetry Gates

The Smiths

A dreaded sunny day So I meet you at the cemetry gates Keats and Yeats are on your side A dreaded sunny day So I meet you at the cemetry gates Keats and Yeats are on your side While Wilde is on mine So we go inside and we gravely read the stones All those people, all those lives Where are they now? With loves and hates And passions just like mine They were born And then they lived And then they died Seems so unfair I want to cry You say: "Ere thrice the sun hath done salutation to the dawn" And you claim these words as your own But I've read well and I've heard them said A hundred times (maybe less, maybe more) If you must write prose or poems The words you use should be your own Don't plagiarise or take 'on loan' There's always someone, somewhere With a big nose who knows And who trips you up and laughs When you fall Who'll trip you up and laugh When you fall You say: "Ere long done do does did" Words which could only be your own And then produce the text From whence was ripped 'Some dizzy whore', 1804 A dreaded sunny day So let's go where we're happy And I meet you at the cemetry gates Oh Keats and Yeats are on your side A dreaded sunny day

So let's go where we're wanted

And I meet you at the cemetry gates
Keats and Yeats are on your side
But you lose
'Cause weird lover Wilde is on mine
Sure!

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