## Pale Saints, Special Present

thought you'd given me a special present a thing to have and hold and keep forever when the smoke had cleared the thing you left there wasn't a gift at all you tricked me it stripped me bare it stripped me bare

painted(?) all your rooms with laughs and fanfare you stealed yourself away to cover the reasons once the latch came off your vision escaped you you faltered and you failed it gripped you it tripped you up again you fell again

take it with you take it back and let me breathe i push your sickness away from me it feels my senses built a wall that i can't see i will your curse away from me

rub your insides raw
reaching for insight
arrest your every pore
and charge it with treason
oh let the ill infect
your best intentions
a legacy of sores to bleed forever
to bleed forever
to bleed forever
to bleed forever
they'll bleed forever