Bishop Allen, The News From Your Bed

You were saving the date But you woke up too late Pulled the covers down over your head You haven't left your front door For a week maybe more Tell me, hey, what's the news from your bed You know your face is all covered with your birthday cake That you're eating in the kitchen at home Another banner year, a splendid day Another inch or two that you've grown But it's hard to celebrate on your own

There's a mouse in cupboard that nibbles your crumbs And you talk to him every night You say, "Hey, Mr. Whiskers, I'm bored and I'm numb You can stay if you just treat me right." Just last year you were fortunate baby And your friends circled around you in droves Are they thinking of you? Maybe just maybe But not a one has bothered to phone Tell me where oh where did they go

Called a car an hour ago You're gonna take yourself out Despite the cold and snow Did they forget about you Are they in on it too? You're sitting looking in the mirror At your dancing shoes

When your family calls you make nice to them all And assure them you're fine and you're great Then you cry in the bath, cry so hard that you laugh Then you watch television til late Who do you need? Nobody. You're lucky nobody's around I can pour my own drinks No thanks, Mister. Go on, and get out of town And you're gorgeous in your evening gown.